FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

The 2007 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA’07) will be held in Roma, Italy, from April 10 to April 14, 2007. This is the first time that ICRA takes place in a European capital. The conference location is the historical building of the “Angelicum” University, conveniently located in the downtown area. Tutorials and workshops will be hosted on April 10 and 14 at the nearby School of Engineering of the University of Roma “La Sapienza” in the area of San Pietro in Vincoli, close to the Colosseum.

The conference theme is **UBIQUITOUS ROBOTICS**. Contributions from academic and industrial communities as well as from government agencies are solicited in all topical areas of Robotics and Automation.

**PAPERS** Prospective authors should submit their papers electronically in PDF format. Six pages in the standard ICRA format are allowed for each paper, including figures. A maximum of two additional pages is permitted at extra charge. Detailed instructions for paper submission will be available in due course on the conference web site.

**INVITED SESSIONS** Invited sessions on new topics or innovative applications will be considered, consisting of four to six related papers submitted through the regular review process. Prospective organizers should include a brief statement of purpose for the sessions as well as the abstracts of the papers to be included.

**VIDEOS** Videos of 1.5 to 3 minutes illustrating new and exciting results are sought for special video sessions. Videos should be accompanied by an extended abstract and should be submitted to the Videos Chair following the instructions on the web site.

**TUTORIALS AND WORKSHOPS** Proposals for half-day or full-day tutorials and workshops should be submitted to the Tutorials and Workshops Chair. Prospective organizers should include: statement of objectives, intended audience, list of speakers, and list of topics.

**EXHIBITS** There will be an exhibition site at the conference. More information for prospective exhibitors will be available from the Exhibits Chair on the conference web site.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- Submission of contributions: 15 September 2006
- Notification of acceptance: 20 December 2006
- Final contributions due: 20 January 2007

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