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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

TSC 2017 SHANGHAI

'The Science of Consciousness'

June 6-9, 2017

Disneyland Shanghai Resort, Shanghai, China

Sponsored by Crystal Globe Conscious Enterprises, Shanghai, China

and The Center for Consciousness Studies, The University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona

'The Science of Consciousness' ('TSC') is the world's largest and longest-running interdisciplinary conference on all aspects of the nature of conscious awareness, feelings and existence. These include how the brain produces consciousness, how consciousness can causally affect brain processes, the best empirical theories, do we have free will, evolution of life and consciousness, the origins of moral and aesthetic values, how to improve mental, physical and cognitive function, and whether consciousness can persist after bodily death, e.g. through 'uploading' to machines, or via mental processes tied to the structure of reality. These and other relevant questions are approached through many disciplines in science, philosophy, business, the arts and contemplative practices.

TSC began in 1994 at the University of Arizona in Tucson, Arizona, and returns to Tucson in even-numbered years, alternating with TSC conferences around the globe (Italy, Denmark, Japan, Hungary, Hong Kong, Sweden, Czech Republic, India and, most recently, Helsinki, Finland in 2015). Now, co-sponsored by the Center for Consciousness Studies at the University of Arizona, and Crystal Globe, Shanghai, China, the 23rd annual TSC will be held at the new Shanghai Disneyland Resort, June 6-9, 2017, emphasizing modern concepts in the light of ancient traditions.

For example, many see the brain as a computer, with consciousness emerging from complex computation among brain neurons, or from as-yet-unknown circuits or features of biological matter and energy. This approach motivates 'brain mapping', artificial intelligence ('AI') and efforts to 'upload' human minds into conscious machines. On the other hand, some see consciousness as a fundamental property of the universe, akin to mass, spin or charge, rather than emerging from them. These approaches include panpsychism, dualism, idealism, Eastern philosophy, Whitehead, quantum physics and cosmology.

The conference will consist of Plenary talk sessions, Concurrent talk sessions, Posters, Technology and Art Exhibits, Social Events, Entertainment, Pre-conference Workshops and Satellite Excursions. Abstract submissions are invited for consideration for Plenary and Concurrent Talks, Posters and Exhibits. Abstract submissions will open November 3, and authors will be notified by January 10, 2017. Guidance and assistance will be offered to registrants for Chinese Visas (required), travel and sightseeing.

See <http://www.consciousness.arizona.edu> for Information, registration and abstract submission

Session Themes for TSC Shanghai 2017

Language and consciousness

Brain disorders and the conscious mind
Transformative technologies/Noninvasive brain stimulation
Brain mapping, mind uploading and conscious machines
Brain biology and evolution
Chinese Medicine and Eastern philosophy
Fractal-like hierarchies in brain and mind
Cosmology and fundamental physics
Perception and reality
Memristors in the brain?
Transpersonal psychology
Quantum cognition and social interaction
Music and consciousness
Neuroeconomics, empathy and 'the greater good'
David Bohm centennial

Plenary Speakers for TSC Shanghai 2017

John J.B. Allen, University of Arizona
Marom Bikson, City College of the City University of New York
Jerome Busemeyer, Indiana University
David Chalmers, New York University
Jean-Pierre Changeux, College de France Institut Pasteur
Elaine Chew, Queen Mary University of London
Noam Chomsky, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (remote by video)
Deepak Chopra, Chopra Center, University of California, San Diego
Leon Chua, University of California, Berkeley
Jaipai Dai, Wuhan University
Bruce Damer, DigitalSpace
Nai Ding, Zhejiang University
Evalina Fedorenko, Harvard Medical School
Ted Gibson, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Ben Goetzal, OpenCog, Hong Kong
Stuart Hameroff, University of Arizona
Li Hengwei, Zhejiang University
Allan Houng, IPMC, National Yang Ming, Taipei City
Nicholas Humphrey, London School of Economics; Darwin College, Cambridge
Meijuan Lu, Indiana University
Georg Northoff, University of Ottawa
Tang Xiaowei, Zhejiang University

Pre-Conference Workshops (June 5, 2017)

DEI East-West Forum
Quantum Biology
Transformative Technology and Brain Stimulation
Consciousness in Business and the 'Greater Good'
Transpersonal Psychology

Music and Consciousness

Chinese Medicine

Others to be announced

Musical Entertainment

Cuijunzhi

Wu Na

Elaine Chew

Dorian Electra and the Electrodes

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Deadline for Abstracts: December 20, 2016

Authors will be notified by January 10, 2017

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