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Newsletter Week 4 **Hilary Term 2016** by Ross Speer, MCR Secretary

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1. Recruiting for identity experiment – Chance to win an iPad!

Use social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Google+, Flickr, etc.)? Signed up to (and use!) any of the variety of public web sites and web services online (e.g., eBay, Amazon, LinkedIn, etc.)? Want to participate in an interesting experiment on online identity AND want a chance at winning an iPad? We want you!

The Cyber Security Group in the Department of Computer Science is about to conduct a comprehensive experiment focused on online identity. Our aim is to gain a better understanding of the type of presence that individuals maintain online, while also investigating what else can be inferred from such a presence.

For our experiment, we are recruiting undergraduate and masters students in mathematics and computer science particularly, but students of other disciplines may apply (at any stage of their degree). The main requirement is that you have some reasonable online presence, demonstrated via use of social media and other online sites. As a part of this study, with your permission we will be aggregating information about the types of online data you share online (that is, data that you make available to the public and your friends – not personal messages!) with the aim of understanding how you tend to use such online sites. We would like to emphasise that we focus mostly on types of data (e.g., whether you share your address OR not) and not the actual data values themselves (i.e., we will not collect your address). Furthermore, all data we obtain from your accounts will only be used for the purposes of conducting this experiment. More information can be provided upon request, and will be provided before participation.



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If you would like to participate in this experiment, please email isicstudy@cs.ox.ac.uk <mailto:isicstudy@cs.ox.ac.uk>, with the following information:

1. Your name, degree, and year level.
2. A bulleted list of all of the social-media services that you use (and have an account on), and for each one, the number of times per month that you do any of the following: post messages, update information, upload content, etc. Additionally, please include roughly how long you have been using this site (e.g., 1 year, 3 years, etc.). Sites could include: Facebook, Twitter, Google+, Flickr, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube, Online Communities (e.g., Reddit, Digg, Yahoo! Answers, StackOverflow), Blogs (WordPress, Blogger, Tumblr)
3. A bulleted list of all of the other online sites and services that you use (and have an account on), and for each one, the number of times per month you interact (i.e., upload content etc.) with them. Areas of interest include, but are not limited to, services/sites used for gaming (e.g., Steam), those used to purchase or sell items (e.g., eBay, Amazon), those used to write reviews (e.g., TripAdvisor, Yelp, FourSquare), those used for music (e.g., LastFM), or those used for Programming (e.g., GitHub). Please do feel free to list other sites that you have a profile on. For all sites included, also include how long you have been using them.

Please note that recruitment is on a first-come-first-recruited basis. The first students that fulfil the requirement above will be chosen. If you are unsure whether you fit, do contact us at isicstudy@cs.ox.ac.uk <mailto:isicstudy@cs.ox.ac.uk> with the information requested and we can make the decision.

Finally, this experiment has been reviewed by, and received ethics clearance through, the University of Oxford Central University Research Ethics Committee (CUREC).

Participants wanted for an Emotion and Group Competition Study (New Slots Added): Quiz Game+ £8 + Chocolate Bars+ Lottery

We are looking for students at the University of Oxford to take part in a **FUN** study investigating how people react and perform in competitive settings.

This experiment involves interacting and competing with 7 participants from other colleges via the computer network.

The study lasts **45-60** minutes and participants will be compensated **£8** for their time and a chance to win **chocolate bars**. Additionally, at the end of this research project,



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participants from the winning college will be entered in a lottery for **two prizes of £15**.

If you would like to participate, please **signup** here <http://tinyurl.com/emotionexp>

Please share the link with your friends too as this experiment requires a lot of participants.

If you have any questions, please contact Paton Yam at paton.yam@psy.ox.ac.uk

Central University Research Ethics Committee Approved: MSD-IDREC-C2-2014-005

OUEC: Emmy award winning wildlife cameraman: Michael Pitts - Tuesday 9th February, 7.30pm

The Oxford University Exploration Club (OUEC) will be hosting wildlife cameraman Michael Pitts to speak on the 9th February.

Michael specialises in filming underwater and is regarded as one of Britain's foremost underwater cameraman. However, he is equally happy shooting on the surface or from the air. Amongst his many awards he has received two Emmy's for cinematography on two BBC landmark series: **David Attenborough's Private Life of Plants and Blue Planet**.

Last year he filmed on the new Attenborough three part series on the Great Barrier Reef which has just been released on BBC1. Currently he is producing a six part series on Kadoorie Farm and Botanical Garden in Hong Kong.

More information is available on the Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/445382325651361/>

Climate Careers: Politics and Policy Making - Monday 8th February, 7:30pm

The Climate Careers series is aimed at students from all disciplines, interested in getting a job while doing good for the world. In an informal setting, each session will focus on a specific job sector. Speakers with experience in these sectors will give an honest account of the path that led them there. The format will be highly interactive, inviting questions from students throughout, followed by an opportunity to mingle. Come find out what opportunities exist within the sector, tips to getting your first job, and advice on making



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important career choices.

This session will be focused on careers in Politics and Policy making.

Joining us for this session are:

- Pablo A. Astudillo, who has experience representing Ecuador at the UNFCCC Climate Change negotiations, and is currently a Doctoral Researcher in Economic Geography - University of Oxford (via pre-recorded address).
- Carolina De Oliveira, Consultant at Ricardo Energy and Environment, who is involved in international climate change policy making
- James W. Mitchell, Senior Associate at Carbon War Room, who is involved in Climate Policy Making for the Global Shipping industry.

Moderated by Katherine Shabb, who experienced in consulting for policy making and UNFCCC negotiations.

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