



International Society for
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ISAAC 2014 PRESENTATION

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- *Organized by ISAAC International*
 - *Conference budget approved by Council and integrated within overall ISAAC operational budget*
 - *Internationally-recognized Conference Volunteer Leadership*
 - *Assisted by appropriately selected conference organizing company*
 - *Assisted by dedicated contract staff from ISAAC International office in Toronto, Canada*
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Conference 2014 Location

Location

Lisbon, Portugal



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Conference 2014 Leadership Co-Chairs

Luis Azevedo

- PhD in Informatics (Thesis in Rehabilitation Engineering) , University of the Basque Country, Spain.
- Master of Science – Biomedical/Rehabilitation Engineering – University of Dundee, Scotland, United Kingdom.
- Professional Engineer – Technical University of Lisbon – Portugal
- Researcher at the Technical University of Lisbon, Centre for Analysis and Signal Processing, in the area of Assistive Technology for Augmentative Communication.
- Director of ANDITEC, a Portuguese company specialized in Assistive Technology
- Professor of the “Faculty of Human Motricity”, Technical University of Lisbon, area of Assistive Technology.



Maria Margarida Ramalho Talone Nunes da Ponte

- MPhil (Master of Philosophy) in Special Education, Open University and Westminster College, Oxford, England , 1997.
- Kindergarten and Preschool teacher at the Centre for Cerebral Palsied Children, Lisbon, Portugal, since 1980, where she is currently the coordinator of the UTAAC-Unit for Augmentative and Alternative Communication Technologies.
- Invited Professor, Lusofona University, Lisbon Portugal, since 2002, teaching Augmentative Communication in MSc courses on Special Education for Teachers.
- Has given courses at the Polytechnical University of Madrid, Spain, the University of Quito, Equador, the Pedagogical National University of Bogota, Colombia, the University of Cartagena, Colombia, and the University of Magalhaes, Punta Arena, Chile



Pedro Encarnação

- Received the 'Licenciatura' degree in 1994, the M.Sc. degree in 1998, and the Ph.D. degree in 2002, all in Electrical and Computer Engineering from the Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, Portugal
- Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Engineering of the Catholic University of Portugal.
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- Current research interests include Rehabilitation Engineering, namely the use of robots for pediatric rehabilitation, and nonlinear control of autonomous vehicles.



Isabel Amaral

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