



**Your HMC  
Program  
at ICA 2026**

**June 4-8, 2026**



**Thursday, June 4, 2026**

**PRECONFERENCE: Human-Machine Communication and Inequalities:  
Contexts, Challenges, and Opportunities**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Protea (CTICC2, Lev 1)

(Registered participants only)



**Friday, June 5, 2026**

**HIGH-DENSITY: When Communication Makes the Difference: From Signals to Relational Dynamics**

9:00 AM - 10:15 AM; 8.3 (CTICC2, Lev 2)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Human-Machine Care: Well-Being And Vulnerability**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM; 2.61-2.63 (CTICC1, Lev 2)

**HMC Research Escalator**

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM; Westin Ballroom East (Westin, Old Harbour Level)

**Machine Agency: Institutional Power, Individual Control, and Communicative Authority**

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM; de Gama (Westin, Old Harbour Level)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Machines as Kin, Caregiver, and Companion**

1:30 PM - 2:45 PM; Westin Ballroom West (Westin, Old Harbour Level)

**When the Machine's "Soul" Dies: Proximity, Breakdown, and Reconfiguration**

1:30 PM - 2:45 PM; Diaz (Westin, Old Harbour Level)



**Friday, June 5, 2026**  
*highlighted sessions*

**Top Papers in Human-Machine Communication**

3:00 PM - 4:15 PM; Westin Ballroom West (Westin, Old Harbour Level)

**HMC Business Meeting**

4:30 PM - 5:45 PM; Westin Ballroom West (Westin, Old Harbour Level)

**Joint Reception for Comm Science and Biology, Game Studies, Human-Machine Comm and Info Systems**

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM; Westin Ballroom West (Westin, Old Harbour Level)



**Saturday, June 6, 2026**

**HIGH-DENSITY: Longitudinal Perspectives on HMC**

9:00 AM - 10:15 AM; 8.1 (CTICC2, Lev 2)

**Beyond the Uncanny Valley: Epistemic and Affective Boundaries in HMC**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM; 2.44-2.46 (CTICC1, Lev 2)

**HIGH-DENSITY: State of the Art in HMC: What We Know and How We Measure**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM; 8.1 (CTICC2, Lev 2)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Disagreeing, Rude, and Judging Machines: Frictions in HMC**

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM; 8.2 (CTICC2, Lev 2)

**The Moral Machine? Negotiating Ethics and Responsibility**

1:30 PM - 2:45 PM; 1.41 (CTICC1, Lev 1)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Between Dependence and Empowerment: Agency in HMC**

1:30 PM - 2:45 PM; 8.2 (CTICC2, Lev 2)

**When Machines Fails Us in Communication**

3:00 PM - 4:15 PM; 1.62 (CTICC1, Lev 1)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Being in Conflict With Machines: Adaptation, Repair, and Relational Change**

3:00 PM - 4:15 PM; 8.2 (CTICC2, Lev 2)



# Sunday, June 7, 2026

**HIGH-DENSITY: Human-Machine Collaboration and Social Reconfiguration**

9:00 AM - 10:15 AM; 8.1 (CTICC2, Lev 2)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Negotiating Meaning and Communicative Legitimacy**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM; 8.1 (CTICC2, Lev 2)

**HIGH-DENSITY: The Emotional Machine: Cues, Affordances, and Consequences**

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM; 2.64 (CTICC1, Level 2)

**HIGH-DENSITY: When Machines' Appear Fair but Aren't**

1:30 PM - 2:45 PM; Watsonia (CTICC2, Lev 3)

**HMC Poster Session**

1:30 PM - 2:45 PM; Hall 2 (CTICC1, Ground Level)

**The Mechanical Doctor: Co-Constructing Design, Interaction, and Repair**

3:00 PM - 4:15 PM; 1.61 (CTICC1, Lev 1)

**Co-Constructing Trust in HMC**

3:00 PM - 4:15 PM; 2.65-2.66 (CTICC1, Lev 2)

**Generative Overload: Cognitive Fatigue, Offloading, and Bias**

4:30 PM - 5:45 PM; 1.44 (CTICC1, Lev 1)

**The Role of Machine Heuristic in HMC**

4:30 PM - 5:45 PM; 2.65-2.66 (CTICC1, Lev 2)



**Monday, June 8, 2026**

**HIGH-DENSITY: Shifting Power in HMC: Delegation, Authority, and Control**

9:00 AM - 10:15 AM; Westin Ballroom East (Westin, Old Harbour Level)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Love Is in the AI(r): Negotiated and Monetized Intimacy**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM; Westin Ballroom East (Westin, Old Harbour Level)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Machine Companionship: Intimacy, Trust, and Social Consequences**

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM; 8.2 (CTICC2, Lev 2)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Anthropomorphize Me! Or Not?**

1:30 PM - 2:45 PM; Bluebell (CTICC2, Lev 3)

**The Support Machine**

3:00 PM - 4:15 PM; 1.42 (CTICC1, Lev 1)

**HIGH-DENSITY: Perceiving the Communicating Machine: Trust, Persuasion, and Cues in HMC**

3:00 PM - 4:15 PM; Bluebell (CTICC2, Lev 3)