Faculty of Science

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Dear Madam/Sir,

The University of Amsterdam Graduate School of Informatics (GSI) invites you to the annual AI Thesis Fair (AITF) and Thesis Fair (TF) for the Academic Year 2023/2024.

The Thesis Fairs connect students and organisations, fostering innovative graduation projects. Organisations propose projects while students explore, discuss, and choose their preferred projects. These events have led to numerous collaborations between students and companies, research institutes, and government agencies.

For more information, please visit the **About** section on our website.

We are thrilled to announce that the AI Thesis Fair (AITF) and the general Thesis Fair (TF) will now take place **on the same day, Friday 13 October**, offering a comprehensive event for all participants. Each event focuses on specific academic areas, allowing you to attend one or both based on your interest in meeting particular types of students.

If you join us for the full day, a single registration fee covers your participation. However, if you prefer to attend only the morning session with our AI students or solely the afternoon session with other GSI students, please note that the fee remains unchanged.

For your convenience, we have created a table to provide a clear overview of the event:

	AI Thesis Fair 2023 (morning of 13 October)	Thesis Fair 2023 (afternoon of 13 October)	
Event Date	Friday, 13 October		
Time	9:00 – 12:30	13:30 – 16:30	
Booth Set-up/Breakdown	Set-up 9:00 – 9:30 and breakdown 12:30 – 13:00 unless staying for the whole day	Set-up 13:00 – 13:30 unless already set-up from morning and breakdown 16:30 – 16:45/17:00	
Borrel and Networking	Open for all participants from 16:45 – 18:00		
Location	Royal Tropical Institute (KIT) Mauritskade 63, 1092 AD Amsterdam		
Programmes	MSc Artificial Intelligence	MSc Computational Science, MSc Computer Science, MSc Information Studies - Data Science track and Information Systems Track, MSc Logic, and MSc Software Engineering	
Expected no. of Students	90 - 100+ students	250+ students in total	
Fees If you join us for the	Tier 3: €1500,- (incl. VAT) per org		

full day, a single registration	Tier 2: €700,- (incl. VAT) per org		
fee covers your participation.	Tier 1: €200,- (incl. VAT) per org		
	Tier 0: Hospitals: Free		
Projects Deadline	Wednesday, 23 August, 2023		
Fees Deadline	Wednesday, 20 September 2023		
Website and FAQs	https://informatics.amsterdam/#event		
COVID-19 Provisions	If COVID-19 regulations restrict the physical event, it will be cancelled. In that case, organisations and students can connect directly on our platform. No online event will be held. All organisations will have access to student CVs and contact details. Refunds will be issued under these conditions:		
	Cancellation 14 days or more before the event: Full refund.		
	2. Cancellation less than 14 days before the event:		
	a. Tier 2 and Tier 3 organisations: 80% refund.		
	b. Tier 0 and Tier 1 organisations: Full refund.		

Further Changes

We have implemented a significant change for the format of the Thesis Fair. Speeddates are no longer part of the event. While students will still vote for projects, these votes will serve as a measure for you to assess the level of interest in your projects.

Instead of speeddates, organisations' booths will be grouped together into different areas at the KIT. The students will be rotated through each area throughout the event - allowing for all students to interact with every participating organisation.

You may have noticed the fresh new design of our website. Alongside this visual overhaul, we have also made a transition from using DataNose as the main platform for project submissions and the Marketplace. Instead, we have enhanced our existing platform, which already housed student CVs, event details, and schedules, to become the new central interface for the entire event. All your organisation's information and previous years' projects have been seamlessly transferred to the new platform. We firmly believe that this upgraded platform will provide a significantly more enjoyable experience for all participants.

In a final update, we are delighted to announce that the upcoming Thesis Fair will take place at the beautiful Royal Tropical Institute (KIT), marking an exciting milestone as we venture beyond Science Park. Additionally, we would like to inform you that our colleague Ciara Snijders has joined the ICAI team at IVI, and we extend a warm welcome to Grace Watson, who has joined the Thesis Fair Team.

Project Proposals

To submit a project proposal, you will need to log into the <u>new platform</u>. If you have an existing account on DataNose then it has been transferred over to the new platform (If you do not yet have an account with us, please email us at <u>thesisfair-lvl@uva.n</u>). Please note that you will need to create a new password, <u>instructions</u> are attached to this invitation where you will find a step-by-step guide on how to submit a project proposal on the platform. Please note that we are asking for projects to be categorised into areas of research using tags (minimum 1 and maximum 3 tags). If you are submitting the project but are not an expert in the field of work of the project, please ask someone who is to select the correct tags.

Please note the project proposal submission deadline is Wednesday, 23 August.

On the Day

8:30 – 9:00	Al organisations set-up their booths	13:00 – 14:00	Morning organisations breakdown booths and leave with AI students. New organisations setup booths and the rest of the students arrive.
9:00	Al students arrive	14:15 – 17:00	General Thesis Fair
9:15 – 12:30	Al Thesis Fair	17:00 – 18:00	Borrel
12:30 – 13:00	Lunch for AI Thesis Fair participants	16:45 – 18:00	Borrel

We believe that this new format will provide you with increased opportunities to connect with a greater number of students and engage in more meaningful conversations with highly interested students. For further details, please visit our <u>website</u>, where you can find all the necessary information.

For more information or to apply please feel free to contact us at thesisfair-lvl@uva.nl.

With warm regards,

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