9th International Symposium on Computer Music Modeling and Retrieval
19-22 June 2012, Queen Mary University of London, UK
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We are pleased to announce that the 9th International Symposium on Computer Music Modeling and Retrieval (CMMR) “Music and Emotions” will take place at Queen Mary University of London (QMUL) on 19-22 June 2012. CMMR 2012 is jointly organised by the Centre for Digital Music (QMUL) and the CNRS - Laboratoire de Mécanique et d'Acoustique (France). CMMR is an interdisciplinary conference involving fields such as computer science, engineering, information retrieval, human computer interaction, digital libraries, hypermedia, artificial intelligence, acoustics, audio and music signal processing, musicology, music perception and cognition, neuroscience, as well as music composition and performance.

Theme: Music and Emotions
This year, we encourage the submission of contributions on the theme of "Music and Emotions". Music can undoubtedly trigger various types of emotions within listeners. The power of music to affect our mood may explain why music is such a popular and universal art form. This is probably due to the fact that, as human listeners, we are hard-wired to enjoy music. Music psychology studies have shown our ability to discriminate various types of expressive intentions and emotions in the composer/performer musical message. But the understanding of the genesis of musical emotions, the mapping of musical variables to emotional responses, and the automatic retrieval of high-level descriptors characterising emotions, remain complex research problems. Such problems can be addressed by a multitude of disciplines, including music information retrieval, musicology, music psychology and cognition, as well as fields like soundtrack composition.

Call for contributions
There are several opportunities to contribute to the CMMR 2012 program:
- by submitting papers which will be presented at the conference (oral or poster sessions),
- by proposing demonstrations of research results,
- by proposing panel sessions,
- by submitting music.

The authors of selected papers from CMMR 2012 will be invited to submit an extended version for the post-symposium proceedings which are planned to be published in the Springer Verlag Lecture Notes in Computer Sciences (LNCS).

Topics
Music and emotions (e.g. analysis, retrieval, synthesis) Semantic web music technologies
Computational musicology Structuring of audio data
Auditory perception and cognition Cooperative music networks
Digital music libraries Music and sound data mining
User studies (e.g. ethnography, usability of music software) Sound synthesis
New methods for music representation and visualization Optical music recognition
Retrieval and music recommendation tools Sound source separation
Intelligent music tutoring systems Music structure analysis
Music production and composition tools Music transcription
Augmented musical instruments Music games and interactive learning
Virtual reality and HCI related to music Fashion and music technology
AI and cognitive science for sound and music

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Submission Dates
Submission of contributions: 18th January 2012
Notification of acceptance: 20th March 2012
Camera-ready paper deadline: 19th April 2012