

The 1<sup>st</sup> edition of the **International Conference on Connected Smart Cities** (part of the IADIS Multi Conference on Computer Science and Information Systems) was held in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain, during **21 -23 July, 2015**.

This conference was organized by the International Association for Development of the Information Society (IADIS) and co-organized by University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain.



The purpose of this conference is to provide a cutting-edge and premier annual forum on smart cities. It aims to bring in leading scholars from multiple disciplines (including information systems, computer science, telecommunication engineering, urban studies, and business and economics) to share their ideas, knowledge and latest research findings related to the main issues concerning the whole ecosystem (e.g. M2Minfrastructure, cloud platforms, big data analytics, mobile applications, citizen needs, user engagement, and new business/economic models) of future smart cities. The CSC conference also has the purpose of discussing the social, behavioral, technical, economic and environmental impacts of the introduction of smart city applications and services. Submissions were accepted under the following main topics: Wireless Connectivity in Smart Cities; New Business Concerns in Smart Cities; Data and Software Applications in Smart Cities; User-Centric Smart Cities; Security, Privacy and Identity Issues in Smart Cities; Greenness and Sustainability of Smart Cities and Smart City as an Integrated Ecosystem.



The 2015 edition was published jointly with the ICT, Society and Human Beings 2015 and Web Based Communities and Social Media 2015. These conferences received 121 submissions from more than 22 countries. Each submission was anonymously reviewed by an average of five independent reviewers, to ensure that accepted submissions were of a high standard. Only 20 full papers were approved which meant an acceptance rate of 17 %. A few more papers were accepted as short papers, reflection papers and posters.

Extended versions of the best papers were selected to be published in:

- ❖ the IADIS International Journal on Computer Science and Information Systems (IJCSIS). ISSN 1646-3692.



In addition to the presentation of the papers, this event also included two keynote presentations given by Steven Duggan, Director, Worldwide Education Strategy, Microsoft, USA and Dr. Jacques Bulchand-Gidumal, Professor of Digital Enterprises and Entrepreneurship, University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain.



**Keynote Presentation:**

**FAIL FAST AND FAIL FORWARD – EMBRACING FAILURE AS A NECESSARY PRECURSOR OF SUCCESS IN THE DELIVERY OF ELEARNING SERVICES**



by Steven Duggan, Director, Worldwide Education Strategy, Microsoft, USA



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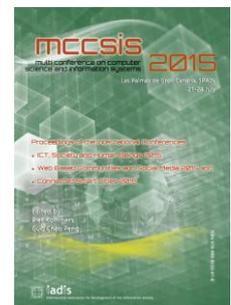
**A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE ON THE SINGULARITY POINT. HOW IT IS SUBSTITUTING JOBS IN THE SERVICE SECTOR**



by Dr. Jacques Bulchand-Gidumal, Professor of Digital Enterprises and Entrepreneurship, University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain

In general, this edition offered a great opportunity to all their participants to discuss with success the most significant aspects regarding the theme smart cities. It served as a forum that gathered researchers, practitioners, students and anyone that are working or studying in this field.

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