**Call for Papers on ICCMIT 2016:**

**“Psychology, IT and Social media”**

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The use of electronic technology and especially in social media has changed our everyday life and our psychology, actions and behaviors are affected by these. It has been around a decade since social networking websites first entered public consciousness – now they seem like an indispensable part of daily life for many of us.  Most known among teenagers, these websites now have billions of users – not only with Facebook, Twitter, Google Plus, YouTube, Instagram and MySpace in the West, but with hugely popular sites like Tencent Weibo, Vkontakt and Orkut in the rest of the world

The use of IT has affected the way psychologists work, but also the information people are seeking through the Internet and the effect this has on them. Furthermore, the wide use of social media and facebook is changing our beliefs on others, our relationships, our self esteem, etc, The major factors driving the popularity of social media usage are fundamentally cyberpsychological. We can simply do things and experience things on social media that we cannot do anywhere else. While sitting alone at home, we can make our most private and personal thoughts instantly and globally public – a historically unprecedented psychological experience. In this way we are experiencing what has been described as online disinhibition (Suler, 2004) – the phenomenon whereby we do and say things on the internet that we probably would not do in a face-to-face environment. This is unnerving, as in certain circumstances of anonymity and perceived privacy we are more likely to engage in self-disclosure of personal information online that we would not do otherwise (Joinson, 2001).

This conference session titled “ Psychology, IT and Social Media” explores the opportunity for research psychologists, practitioners (psychologists, counselors etc) to exchange their experiences, ideas, theories, strategies and technology-inspired solutions for approaching the problems and the solutions caused by the use of IT and Social media. This conference session welcomes theoretical, research but also empirical papers for all areas of research in the area of IT and psychology.

**Scope and Interests**

This conference session aims at addressing the issues arising by the use of IT and Social media in the field of psychology and explore the future directions afforded by technological innovations in the field of psychology.

This conference session invites articles involving, but not limited to, the following topics:

* The psychology of Social media
* E- therapy and e- counseling
* The use of IT with clients
* Searching the internet for solutions
* The use of social media in our everyday life
* Facebook and self esteem
* Cyber bullying
* Psychology blogs in the Internet

**Important Dates**

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| **Paper submission deadline** | **March 1, 2016** |
| **Notification of acceptance** | **March 14, 2016** |
| **Camera ready and registration** | **April 10, 2016** |
| **Conference Date** | **April 26-29, 2016** |