# SNE-projects 2015-2016

Coordinator:

Cees de Laat With help of os3 team!

### Goals

- To gain practical experience
- To work on real problems in a foreign context
- To (re)gain collaboration skills
- To practice public presentation skills
- To practice data analysis and presentation skills
- To practice defending your solution to a problem
- To practice report writing skills
- To have a good time

## Timeline

- Two project months
  - January 9 February 3
    - presentations Tue afternoon + Wed 7 8 February
      - for us alone
      - Feedback
      - -B1.23
  - June 9 June 30
    - presentations Wednesday Thursday 5- 6 July
      - in the auditorium with public
      - C0.110

# Per project month

- 4 weeks FULL TIME!
  - Week 1:
    - Familiarize
    - Make a concrete work proposal
  - Week 2-3
    - Do the work agreed on
  - Week 4
    - Write report
  - Week 5...
    - In case of RP2 June month also work/report
    - Presentation in Wednesday meeting

# Subjects

- Organizations we have relationships with:
  - SURFnet
  - SURFsara
  - UvA IvI OS3 SNE
  - HvA, VU, etc.
  - SME's
  - Others (inter)national (DELOITTE, KPMG, UNINET, etc.)
- Orientation in October, November, April, May
- Check end of November and in December!
  Be prepared to defend choice!
- When choosing subjects take into account the master courses given before the project months.

# Work proposal

- Latest at Friday of first week
- Should contain
  - Updated description of the problem
  - Research questions
  - Literature / model / theory
  - Research & Experiments to be done
  - Planning
  - Ethical issues section
- Can be basis for report later!

# Report

### Should contain

- Description of the problem
- Research question
- Literature / model / theory
- Research done
- Experiments or proof of concept done
- Evaluation of experiments or proof of concept
- Reflection on Literature / model / theory
- Ethical issues section
- Conclusions and suggestions for further research

### web link

- Via web site:
  - rp.os3.nl
  - email: Cees de Laat delaat@uva.nl
  - OR → rp@os3.nl
- or
  - http://rp.delaat.net
  - https://homepages.staff.os3.nl/~delaat/rp/2015-2016/index.html
  - If all else fails: cees@delaat.net

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(I could use a SNE master :-))
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## FinePrint...

#### Selection

Preferably do not choose subjects that will be covered in subsequent courses.

#### working alone or in pairs

- Preference for pairs because:
  - students can help each other when one gets stuck in a problem...
  - investigate more solutions in parallel
  - learn to collaborate
  - contribution of each student must be clear in report and presentation
- However, doing an RP alone is also allowed
- At the presentations pairs get 30 minutes, singles get 20 minutes.

#### Feedback during RP

- During both RP1 as RP2 a group meeting on the third monday afternoon 15h00.
- Purpose is to exchange progress information and discuss potential or real encountered problems.

#### Fifth week

- Optionally week 5 of the RP in June is available to continue and finish research.
- Presentation will be on wednesday, report must be submitted by friday of the fifth week.

#### RP order

- A student must successfully complete RP1 before starting RP2.
  - RP1 and RP2 can be done arbitrarly in January or June.
- If failed for RP2, it is allowed to redo a RP2 at any time.

#### **Evaluation**

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- Advice from the supervisor about the research done on location.
- Advice on presentation and report is welcome.
- this information must be delivered by supervisor before end of fifth week.
- report and presentation are evaluated by the OS3 team.
- Marks for presentation are determined before end of fifth week.
- Evaluation and if needed corrections of report can take up to 6 weeks (pending holidays in july.
- If rest is positive there is an opportunity to correct the report.
- average and the mark for report must be 6 or more and the other marks must be more than or equeal 5.

#### **Publication of results**

the marks will be posted on blackboard.

#### Colloquia

We aim to schedule colloquia about research in computer science to give more context for the RP's.

#### Communication

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### Process can be found on the web page.

### Process - 1

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- The grade depends on a weighted average of four sub-grades
  - 40% the research on the subject
  - 20% the report structure and layout
  - 20% the presentation
  - 20% the work at the location, the attitude, etc.

## Process - 2

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- A student has passed if:
  - the grade is equal or higher than 6.0 and
  - none of the sub-grades is less than 4 and
  - the grade for report and research must be 6.0 or higher
  - the end grade averages resulting in 5.5 are always rounded to 6.0

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## Non Goals

- To be the default groups coffee maker
- To do trivial software installs
- To pull cables as main activity
- To sort out all software cd's
- Etc. etc. etc.

# Have fun!

Questions?