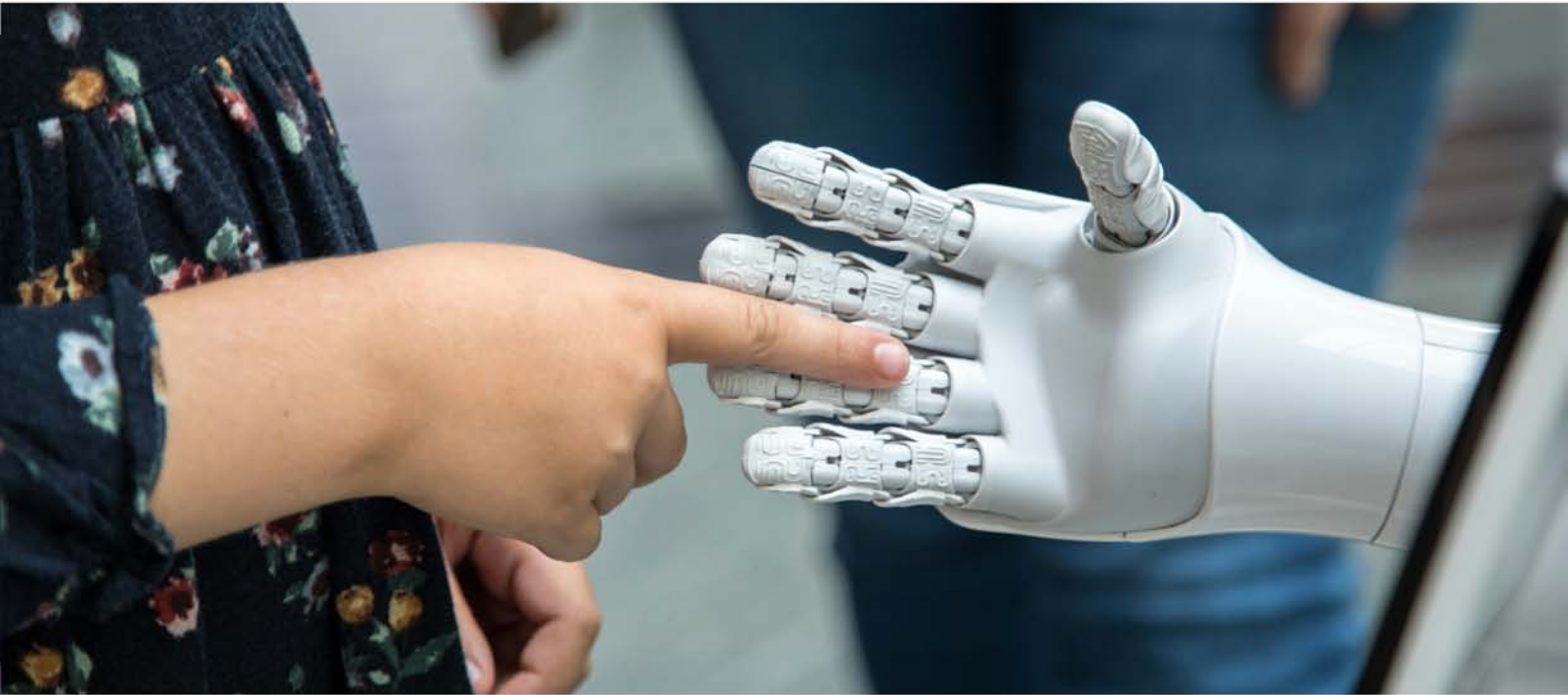


Permanent Seminar - *Educational and Sociocultural Transformations and Potentials linked to Digital Transition*



Rethinking Technology and the Acceptance of Social Robots **Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Identity and Education**

The increasing presence of digital technologies, AI systems, and social robots in everyday life raises crucial questions about how these systems are perceived, interpreted, and accepted. Bringing together perspectives from Human-Robot Interaction, social psychology, philosophy of science, educational research, and media and communication studies, the seminar explores how acceptance processes are shaped by psychological mechanisms, cultural orientations, and the representation of social identities in technology, within the broader educational and sociocultural transformations of the digital transition.



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09:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



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PROGRAM

09:30 || *Institutional greetings*

09:40 || **Leonardo Lapomarda** - University of Milano-Bicocca
Introduction

09:50 || **Irene van Driel** - University of Amsterdam
Representation, Youth Participation, and Co-Design in Reimagining Digital Futures

10:30 - 10:45 || Break

10:45 || **Álex Barco Martelo** - Universidad de Deusto, San Sebastián, Spain
STEM Education, Community-Engaged Learning, and AI Literacy for Inclusive Digital Transitions

11:25 || **Edoardo Datteri and Leonardo Lapomarda** - University of Milano-Bicocca
What Does It Mean to Accept a Social Robot?

12:05 - 12:15 || Short break

12:15 || **Davide Cino** - University of Milano-Bicocca
Digital Parenting Ecologies: knowledge, uncertainty, and everyday pedagogies of care

12:55 || **Digital Identities group** - University of Milano-Bicocca
An Ongoing Inquiry on Social Workers' Use of ICTs

13:30 || *Conclusion*

CAPTED-Next Digital Identities research group

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