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ISMAR 2017 General Chair  
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**W**e are delighted to welcome you to the 16th IEEE International Symposium on Mixed and Augmented Reality (ISMAR 2017) held from October 9th to 13th in Nantes.

ISMAR has established itself as the leading international academic conference in the fields of Augmented Reality and Mixed Reality. It has its foundations on the fusion of two former events: the International Symposium on Augmented Reality (ISAR) and the International Symposium on Mixed Reality (ISMR). The 16th ISMAR aims at bringing new horizons to the community as it is the very first in the series to be held in France. The conference is jointly organized by Centrale Nantes and Inria, and it is held at La Cité, Nantes Events Center.

The essence of ISMAR is the quality of the works presented, and we are proud to have a strong program in all the conference strands: the Science and Technology Program gathering 33 papers in 9 sessions, the continuation of the successful Poster Papers Track including 61 posters, an inspiring selection of 7

Workshops and 3 Tutorials as well as a comprehensive Demo Track. In addition, this year, we are proud to introduce the “VR Tour”: a visit of four high-end sites in the field of research and innovation in Virtual Reality, in the area of Rennes, located 100 km from Nantes. Besides, we are very honoured to have two world class experts as keynote speakers: Georg Klein, Scientist at Microsoft Corporation, presenting “Registration on Hololens”; and Marie-Odile Berger, Research Director at Inria, presenting “Pose estimation for effective AR tasks”.

Of course, ISMAR happens because of many volunteers that donate significant time and expertise for over a year. We express our extended thanks to all the members of the Conference Committee, the S&T Program Committee, the Steering Committee, and the Local Organization Committee. We also thank our sponsors for their financial support and everyone that has contributed to make ISMAR 2017 a reality!

We hope you will find ISMAR 2017 an exciting and motivating event.