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**Special guest speaker**

**DR. SVEN KOENIG**

**Computer Science Professor from USC**

*"Cooperative Auctions for Agent or Robot Coordination"*

Dr. Koenig is a professor in computer science at the University of Southern California (USC). His research centers around techniques for decision making (planning and learning) that enable teams of agents to act intelligently in their environments and exhibit goal-directed behavior in real-time. He received his Ph.D. degree in computer science from Carnegie Mellon University and holds M.S. degrees from the University of California at Berkeley and Carnegie Mellon University. Sven is a fellow of the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) and an ACM Senior Member. He was also a program director at the National Science Foundation (NSF) from 2010 to 2012, where he received the Director's Award for Collaborative Integration in both 2011 and 2012.

Sven is a councillor of AAAI and serves on the editorial boards of Artificial Intelligence, Computational Intelligence, Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems, AI Magazine and other journals.

He co-founded Robotics: Science and Systems and also co-founded the International Symposium on Combinatorial Search. Sven is passionate about helping students and young researchers. He mentor in doctoral consortia and co-organized many USC Programming Contests and trained USC students for several ACM Programming Competitions.

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