

Culture and Collaborative Technologies

Workshop Challenges

Developing a conceptual framework for the study of culture and collaborative technology
Developing suitable methodologies for conducting research on culture and collaborative technologies
Designing technologies to support multiple cultures and to facilitate cross-cultural interaction

Culture and Attitude toward Technology

What is culture?
How does context affect cultural responses to technology?
How does technology appropriation transform cultural practices?
How does cultural context affect the social construction of technology?

Culture and Collaborative Learning

Do the same patterns of learning transfer across cultures?
Can we train students to work well with foreign teammates?
How do we find equivalent comparison groups across countries?

Next Steps

Journal special issue
Edited book
Panels at CHI, CSCW, ECSCW
Second International Workshop on Intercultural Collaboration (2008)
Sharing of methods and resources
New collaborations

Culture and CSCW

Can collaborative technologies truly cross cultural gaps?
How do we design tools that meet the needs of all members of a culturally diverse team?
What research methods can be used across cultures?

Working in a Global Context

If cultural differences exist, do they matter in the workplace?
Does organizational culture trump national culture?
What are the benefits and costs of international teams?
What are the tradeoffs between interaction vs. modularization of global teams?

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