The Department of Computer Science of Johannes Kepler University Linz together with the Austrian Society of Computer Science (ÖGI) invites to the following talk:

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Quantitative Equational Reasoning

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Abstract: We develop a quantitative analogue of equational reasoning which we call quantitative algebra. The intention is to develop a metric-based semantics for systems and programs that should replace the classic congruence (bisimulation)-based semantics. A metric space of behaviours is meant to be used for approximating computational phenomena, especially where we handle undecidable or very expensive computation. In relation to logic, this approach provides quantitative reasoning principles to replace the classic Boolean principles. This is joint work with Gordon Plotkin (Univ. of Edinburgh, UK) and Prakash Panangaden (McGill Univ., Canada).

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