Abstract: Sense of Participation in Real Time Monitoring Systems

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This paper explores how the sense of participation is influenced by real time monitoring systems in everyday participation practices in hybrid network environments. In social and mobile networks, and in many online services, individual behaviour is monitored and instant feedback is provided to system participants. For example, advertising on websites adapts to user surfing behaviour within seconds, GPS systems indicate traffic jams immediately on the basis of information they receive from navigation systems in people's verhicles, financial deals on the stock market immediately influence next deals, mobile applications augment physical environments with information on possibilities for entertainment when moving through the city based on information received from participants in a system. Real time monitoring systems are an inextricable part of individuals' participation in everyday routine activities. Systems have become participants in their own right in communities of people (Brazier and van der Veer, 2009).

This paper explicitly does not focus on the effect of storing and retrieving large data sets over time. It focuses on how individuals' sense of participation when performing presence, and giving signification to participatory practices with self, others, and things in time, place, and context within these monitored and hybrid network environments. To explore the sense of participation in real time monitoring systems two concepts are introduced. First the concept of the *third witnessing perspective* (Nevejan 2012) is elaborated upon to better

understand how real time monitoring systems affect participation practices. Secondly the notion '*migration trajectory*' (Bohorquez, Nevejan, Brazier 2013) is introduced to better understand how people experience participation practices in hybrid network environments. On the basis of these two theoretical concepts this paper discusses results of in depth interviews with experts on their daily participation practices.

Third witnessing perspectives emerge when many participants feed a system with large quantities of distributed data in real time, and when the results of systems' operations with these data are instantly sent back to its participants. Technology provides the platform upon which participant's input is transformed into a 'real time' representation of the participation practices of all participants at a given moment in time over time. This representation of all participatory practices triggers individual behaviour to adapt. These adaptations also become part the real time ever changing representation of all participatory practices in the real time monitoring system. The simple definition of participation is to be part of a larger whole, with the ability to act and take responsibility. In this paper the real time monitoring system, including its participants, is the larger whole. Participants are constantly adjusting their performance and significations while interacting with the larger whole.

Third witnessing perspectives shape the way individuals perform presence and give significations to values of trust, engagement, autonomy, and attachment. They ultimately define the more or less permanency and consistency of individuals' participatory practices and experience. Not only individuals but also larger organizations, governments, and business organizations can act upon the information and communication that third

witnessing perspectives provide. Being observed and recorded in routine activities by larger organizations raises paradoxical feelings of more or less certainty and security. Individuals may perceive real time monitoring systems as beneficial and as a threat simultaneously. The concept of participant migration trajectory is introduced to understand experience in participation practices.

A migration trajectory is defined as an episode of time in which individuals perform presence and give significations to their own and others' trajectories in hybrid network environments (Bohorquez, Nevejan, Brazier 2013). The sense of participation develops through participation practices and migration trajectories. The sense of participation in migration trajectory, is influenced by feelings of permanency and consistency when an individual participates in multiple worlds simultaneously.

The concept of migration trajectory relates to three dynamics. The first dynamic addresses having presence as the capacity to steer towards wellbeing and survival (Riva, Waterworth & Waterworth 2004). This dynamic is explored by asking the question *Where do I go now*?. The second dynamic addresses directing presence towards the world. Presence is treated as readiness to act towards and with the world in the everyday (P. Turner 2010). This dynamic is explored by asking the question *Do I feel I have other possibilities*?. The third dynamic addresses having a sense of possibility and is central for the incorporation of existential feelings in day-to-day life (M. Ratcliffe 2005). This dynamic is explored by asking the question *Does it make a difference to my world*?.

These three fundamental existential questions provide the grounding for the concept of migration trajectory (Bohorquez, Nevejan, Brazier 2013).

First, where do I go now? This question refers to being ready to act to experience a geographical presence mobility and distribution of its actions (physical, mental, and digital) when they acknowledge the sense of open-ended possibilities that networks facilitate in real time communication. The infinite number of possibilities that networks facilitate perpetuates the readiness to experience the uncanniness of the whole world. It steers presence mobility and demands for new physical and emotional adaptations for it alters conventional forms to approach a diverse number of worlds simultaneously in the everyday.

Second, *do I feel I have other possibilities*? This question refers to the decisions that create the multidimensionality of the individual by performing presence in hybrid network environments. Do individuals feel they have the possibility to choose with whom, with what regularity, in which place, and in what context to perform and negotiate their presence in day-to-day interactions. The fact that an individual approaches presence as ready to act, in an overwhelmed number of other possibilities that networks facilitate, mandates an examination on how individual choices relate to internal expectations, serendipitous acts, or external forces. This question also explores how individuals perform presence and give signification to their interactions when the feel to have no other possibilities but participating in monitory systems.

Third, *does it make a difference to my world?* How individuals steer towards wellbeing and survival, reflecting on the signification is core to this aspect. This question relates to feelings but also to a sense of reality and situatedness

(Ratcliffe, 2005). Analysis of migration trajectories provides insight in how individuals participate in multiple contexts with more or less permanency and consistency simultaneously in day-to-day life. This question exposes how the individual(s) self-interest primes or not more or less permanency and consistency of participation practices when it perceives the sense of possibilities offered when being monitored in real time.

In the analyses of the responses to these questions the connection between migration trajectories and the third witnessing perspective is made. For example most automative navigation systems are real time live monitoring systems. Where do I go now?, Do I have other possibilities? and What does an automotive navigation system contribute to my world? shed light on how experts experience the contribution of such systems to their everyday participation practices. This experience is also influenced in a real-time monitoring (participatory) system by the question What do I contribute to these systems?" and what does that contributing contribute to my world? To understand the dynamic between an individual and an automative navigation systems, it is necessary to understand the third witnessing perspective that a system provides. For a system such as TomTom, the third witnessing perspective is generated by a Geographical Information System to which participants deliver data about their traffic routes, that form the bases for shared maps that are created which indicate traffic jams for example. Also the interface of input and output in the vehicle contributes to the experience of the third witnessing perspective.

Results of this study identify everyday factors that influence the sense of participation in systems in which real time monitoring systems play a significant

role. Migration trajectories and analysis of presence through a third witnessing perspective are the means.

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_ Surfing the disseration: Together with Mediamatic Lab I made an experimental environment which facilitates surfing through the dissertation. The dissertation was loaded into a database on paragraph level. As author of the text I attributed metadata to every paragraph. As result, one can surf through the dissertation and it still makes sense.

http://dissertation.being-here.net

Witnessed Presence and Systems Engineering: On this site the source material is gathered and presented of an interdisciplinary exploratory study into Witnessed Presence. It shows 20 in-depth interviews with people from India, Great Britain and the Netherlands who are thinking out loud about how their personal and professional practice has changed because of technology. Coming from a variety of disciplines they elaborate first insights in fundamental dynamics of social structures in networked contexts. The site includes film fragments of the interviews.

http://www.systemsdesign.tbm.tudelft.nl/witness

Collaborative research platform Being-Here: Publishes ongoing research into witnessed and mediated presence and creates a collaborative research platform at the same time. Interdisciplinary research between professional knowledge, artist research and academic papers are published in relation to one another. As of 2012 the European Institute of Technology assists in further developing this concept. The site is used as design platform for students.

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Other publications

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Research focus

Foundations of design, engineering and management of participatory systems in human organizations and society: systems designed to support human participation. Participation in networked society, in which social technical ecological systems merge, requires presence, situational awareness, trust and the ability to act and interact at different levels of organisation. Integrity is key. In networked societies, network, networking, networked and network making powers are dependent on global coordination based on local interaction between systems. Locality is a leading principle, as is integrity and human experience. Research questions address the principles of witnessed presence, agency and awareness, collaboration, self-management and distributed coordination.

Design and analysis of participatory systems focuses on the behaviour of individual systems, their interaction, and organisational structure. The primary focus of our research is technology: technology as a system, an enabler, a catalyst. Theories, models, and research methods for participatory system design and engineering are subject of research

The multi-agent system paradigm provides a means to model, design, implement and evaluate the behaviour and robustness of many of such systems, most often large scale distributed systems (eg distributed energy management, dynamic supply chain management, crisis management). The AgentScape platform supports large scale distributed multi-agent based simulation to explore and analyse emergent effects of system behaviour during design, before prototyping. Distribution of processes and data in large scale systems is a core concern for participatory systems: integrity, dynamic distributed clustering, aggregation, robustness, security and complexity mandate technological solutions.

In other cases interaction and collaboration within and between systems, enabled by technology, is explored and analysed in real-life systems (virtual presence, visualisation, GDR, cloud-computing), requiring new technology to support interaction/collaboration, to acquire situational awareness and empowerment.

Publications

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