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# Contextualizing the Self: Creating and Recreating the First Person

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12:15 – 15:45

Gilman Building, room 449

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Chairman: Prof. Aviad Kleinberg

Lecture by:

## Mel Slater

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### *“The Virtual Self”*

Respondent: Dr. Doron Friedman

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**Mel Slater** is a Professor of Virtual Environments at University College London in the Department of Computer Science. His main work is in the area of understanding how people respond to experiences in immersive virtual environments and associated technology in computer graphics and human-computer interaction. He also studies the representation of the self in immersive virtual environments. He has a particular interest in virtual reality for the creation of social scenarios, and in using the power of virtual reality for changing the self, research that is focused on the interface between computer science and neuroscience. He co-authored *Being There Together: Experiments on Presence in Virtual Environments (1990s)* (2013) and *Computer Graphics and Virtual Environments: From Realism to Real-Time* (2001). He leads The Experimental Virtual Environments (EVENT) Lab for Neuroscience and Technology in the Faculty of Psychology at the University of Barcelona.

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\*\*\* The lecture will be held in English