

# **PLENARY TALK**

# Implementation of Brain-Inspired Multi-Sensory Integration and Decision Making using Embodied Robotic Platforms

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### Abstract:

Cutting-edge AI, AGI, ChatGPT and other advanced computational technologies demonstrate outstanding performance in many important tasks requiring intelligent data processing under well-known conditions. Generative AI requires huge amount of data and computational resources, and real-time robotics applications cannot rely only on such brute power of AI. They need to develop their own intelligent control system within the constraints represented by their physical body, leading to the need for situated cognition and embodied robotics. Results of cognitive science and brain-monitoring provide valuable support to develop embodied robotics approaches. This talk overviews the achievements and challenges to intelligent systems today, outlines crucial insights from brain studies. It introduces brain-inspired system designs combing the benefits of advanced AI/AGI and neuromorphic technologies. Applications include intelligent control and decision making, robot autonomy, human-robot and robot-robot interaction.



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