



Dear Colleagues,

Ivan Tanev, a professor at the Department of Information Systems Design, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan would like to invite a Master- and Doctor course students from Bulgaria, fully sponsored by the Japanese Government (MEXT), to study at Doshisha University.

The prospective student would enroll in a two-year International Science and Technology Master Course (ISTC) or a three year Doctoral Course. The lectures, seminars and other relevant activities of these courses are conducted in English. The student would be involved in a research, under the supervision of Ivan Tanev, in the field of evolutionary computing (genetic algorithms, genetic programming, etc.) and (or) its applications (e.g., design, optimization, control, etc.). The concrete topic of research is both open and negotiable, depending on the professional interests and expertise of the particular student.

The candidates should have completed or be in the final year of their BS (for Master Course candidates) or MS (for Doctor Course candidates) study and, ideally, should be very motivated to explore novel and challenging paradigms in computer science and related fields.

You might find the following information useful too:

Web page of the ISTC at Doshisha University:

<http://istc.doshisha.ac.jp/en/overview/overview.html>

Web page of the Course of Information and Computer Science at Doshisha University:

<http://istc.doshisha.ac.jp/en/course/information/outline.html>

Possible topics of students' research with Ivan Tanev:

http://istc.doshisha.ac.jp/en/course/information/laboratories/lab0_06.html

Web page of Ivan Tanev (personal research, publications, etc.):

<http://isd-si.doshisha.ac.jp/itanev/>

Important dates:

Expressing an interest: **January 6, 2020** (by e-mail to Ivan Tanev at itanev@mail.doshisha.ac.jp)

Submitting the application documents (to be provided to the interested applicants later): **January 24, 2020**

Approval by Doshisha University: **March 3, 2020**

Approval by MEXT: **July, 2020**

Start of the MS (or PhD) course: **September, 2020**

Should you have any inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact Ivan Tanev at itanev@mail.doshisha.ac.jp