Invitation

Prof. dr. ir. Stephan Wensveen was appointed full professor of ‘Constructive Design Research in Smart Products, Services and Systems’ in the Department of Industrial Design at Eindhoven University of Technology (TU/e) on May 1, 2017. He will deliver his inaugural lecture on Friday, October 19, 2018.

Stephan A.G. Wensveen received his MSc degree in 1995, and his PhD in Industrial Design Engineering from TUDelft in 2005. In 1998 he joined the research group of Kees Overbeeke and in 2002 they moved to the excitingly new department of Industrial Design at TU/e. In 2011 he expanded his horizon on multi-disciplinary design and Participatory Innovation when he joined the SPIRe group of Jacob Buur at the University of Southern Denmark. He has been back in Eindhoven since 2013. His initial research was on the relationship between emotions, expressivity and interaction design through which he helped introduce notions of ‘aesthetics of interaction’, ‘feedforward’ and ‘interaction frogger’, and he is co-responsible for canonical examples of Research through Design. He is interested in using the power of design to integrate research, education and innovation, which he demonstrated for the /d.search-labs, the Wearable Senses lab and a large nationally funded project on Smart Textile Product Services (CRISP). He is co-author of the book ‘Design Research through Practice’, which introduced the notion of Constructive Design Research.

Prof. Wensveen is a regular associate chair for the Computer Human Interaction (CHI) and Designing Interactive Systems (DIS) conferences and editor for the International Journal Of Design. He is currently Program Director for the education of the department of Industrial Design.

About the lecture

Constructive Design Research (CDR) is a form of research that uses a design process to imagine and build new things and that describes and explains these constructions. CDR can be seen as a form of critique on various aspects of design. Stephan Wensveen will show his critiques of design, his care for design and how the constructions generated knowledge for design. He will share his ambition to extend the impact of research through design and to move from aesthetics of interaction towards aesthetics of intelligence. He will also talk about surfing, freedom and he will introduce ‘one more thing’.

The Executive Board of Eindhoven University of Technology cordially invites you to attend the inaugural lecture of Prof. dr. ir. Stephan Wensveen on Friday, October 19, 2018, at 4.00 PM. The public lecture will be delivered in the Blauwe Zaal of the Auditorium. You do not need to register.

The lecture concerns

‘Constructive Design Research’

After the lecture, drinks will be served in the Senaatszaal.

All full professors are invited to join the cortège. If you want to join the cortège, please register in advance with the P&P office which organizes all academic ceremonies, telephone +31 (0)40 247 33 02, e-mail: penp@tue.nl.

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After October 19, 2018, the text of the inaugural lecture will be available online at www.tue.nl/lectures.