

Games are no longer all about fun

Blaauwe Zaal, Auditorium, Eindhoven University of Technology
Friday, December 2, 2022

Preceding the valedictory lecture of Prof.dr. Ben Schouten, you are cordially invited to attend a symposium entitled The Role of Play.

Today's digital playgrounds extend even further into society, offering new ways to dream alternative futures, and playful interaction may be one of the instruments to achieving this goal. Every period apparently gets the play it needs and spawns specific types of play.

What can "play designers" offer in addition to goal setting? Some would say it is "out-of-the-box thinking" that characterizes the spirit of playfulness. According to others, play creates socially shared meaning and revolves around creativity. This symposium taps into lively discussions around playfulness in participatory society and contributes to further understanding and shaping the role of play.

PROGRAM

10:30-11:00 **Reception with coffee and tea**

11:00-11:20 **Opening and Book Presentation**

Lector Dr. Wouter Sluis-Thiescheffer (Chairman of the day),

HAN University of Applied Sciences

Prof.dr. Lin-Lin Chen. Dean Industrial Design, Eindhoven University of Technology

11:20-11:50 **Play is Fun.** Dr. Menno Deen. Founder: Super Menno Monster, Utrecht

11:50-12:20 **Play is Fair.** Dr. Gabriele Ferri. Eindhoven University of Technology

Please turn over

- 12:20** **Lunch served**
- 13:00-13:15** **Performance, part 1: Trying to get a grip on the situation.**
Ton Zwerver, artist.
- 13:15-13:45** **Play is Community.** Dr. Ekim Tan. Founder Play the City,
Amsterdam.
- 13:45-14:00** **Coffee break**
- 14:00-14:15** **Performance, part 2: Trying to get a grip on the situation.**
Ton Zwerver, artist.
- 14:15-14:45** **Play is Change.** Prof.dr. Joost Raessens. University of Utrecht.
- 14:45-15:00** **Closing reflection.** Lector Dr. B.G.M. de Waal, Amsterdam
University of Applied Sciences.



Please register before November 28th, 2022 via this [link](#).
For more information please contact officesupportsc@tue.nl.
See also www.roleofplay.nl.