

Seminar: Ubiquitous Technologies and Ethical Challenges

The research group “Surveillance in Denmark” in cooperation with the STS work group, CESAU, invites researchers to a seminar on critical approaches to technology and ethics. Under the theme of *ubiquitous technologies* the seminar focuses on ethical problems concerning current developments, where technologies and features are increasingly embedded or hidden in everything from social interactions to seemingly natural-looking landscapes.

The seminar will feature two speakers. First, David Murakami Wood from the Department of Sociology at Queen's University will give a presentation on “Surveillant Landscapes: the Appropriation of Nature as Security” where he focuses on ethical problems concerning how surveillance is embedded and vanishes into securitized landscapes. Second, Michael Zimmer from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee will present his work on “Google Glasses and the Surveillance of Everyday Life”. He will introduce the emerging infrastructures of augmented mobility technologies such as Google Glasses and critically interrogate their impact on conceptions and expectations of privacy in our infosphere.

Practical information

- Date: Wednesday, May 22, 2013
- Time: 12.30-16.15
- The seminar takes place at Aarhus University, Information Studies in the Nygaard Building room 091
- The Seminar is free, but registration is required. Requests for participation must be submitted by May 16, 2013 to Ask Risom Bøge (imvarb@hum.au.dk) or Louise Nørgaard Glud (imvln@hum.au.dk).

Programme

- 12.30-12.45: *Welcome*
- 12.45-13.30: *D.M. Wood “Surveillant Landscapes: The appropriation of nature as security”*
- 13.30-14.15: *Discussant Peter Danholt and plenary discussion*
- 14.15-14.30: *Break*
- 14.30-15.15: *M. Zimmer “Google Glasses and the Surveillance of Everyday Life”*
- 15.15-16.00: *Discussant Finn Olesen and plenary discussion*
- 16.00-16.15: *Closing remarks*

***** Please note the extended deadline for requests for participation *****