Personal information:

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Education:

1988-1993 Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia

Faculty of Mathematics, Physics, and Computer Science MSc. in Theoretical Computer Science

1990-1993 Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia

Faculty of Philosophy

Philosophy (completed BA level by examination; the BA degree wasn't awarded in Slovakia at that time)

2005-ongoing University College Dublin, Ireland

Computer Science Department PhD study in Cognitive Science (not yet completed)

Research experience (field + short summary of work done):

Mathematical Logic: A decade ago I spent few years doing quite serious research in Model Theory of betweenness spaces.

Cognitive Science: Research on timing and prosody aspects of speech perception and production with a main focus on second language acquisition. Are there any identifiable speech timing constraints related to speaker's native language? If so, what can they reveal about speech timing phenomena in general?

Main Publications (in relation with the workshop themes):

Nothing yet in my current field, I started my PhD research in January this year. However, I'm working on some papers, keep fingers crossed please.

Skills I can bring to the eNTERFACE projects:

Moderate programming and scripting skills (VisualBasic, C#, Python...) Familiarity with sound analysis tools (Praat...)
Background in Mathematics, Logic and Statistics, if it can be of any use

Other activities and Hobbies:

Sports appropriate to my age (golf, ice hockey, skiing, snooker), travelling, local beer tasting while involved in a deep conversation on any topic; reading when none of the above available.