

Design + Smart Materials Bazaar

Dana Centre, Science Museum London

19th-20th September 2006

Aim: To facilitate dialogue between designers of products and environments, and developers/producers of smart materials, to generate a view of the future use of smart materials in our material culture through a project identification workshop. The aim is also to broker partnerships that could lead to multi-disciplinary collaborations where product design and materials development take place concurrently. An *outreach* to the public exercise to gauge what kind of future they envisage will complement the workshop. The event coincides with London Design Week 2006, and the conference 'How Smart Are We?', at RIBA on 15th September. These two linked events within the London Design festival fall into the emerging vortex of innovation, textiles, technology, fashion, design and enterprise. The Smart Textiles Network at Central Saint Martins and smart.Mat Materials KTN are collaborating with Westfocus Designplus to co-ordinate a national and international focus for networking within this dynamic theme.

19th September

Evening1:

A view of the future:

- Dr. Michael Moynagh, The Tomorrow Project and Templeton College, Oxford: Presentation on consumer needs of the future in relation to emerging social trends
- SMART.mat: Presentation on smart materials - overview and forecasts
- Materials *bazaar*: a collection of materials, toys, gadgets, products and prototypes, with which attendees can 'play'

20th September

Day workshop:

Facilitated brainstorm, facilitating across design and smart materials using design visualisation tools and 'storyboard' creation to map-out concepts. Facilitator: Tom Inns, Chair of Design, University of Dundee

Evening2:

Outreach to the public:

Hosted and facilitated by the Dana Centre: the 'storyboards' will be made available to view by the general public, gain feedback from them: Is this a future they want?

Workshop partners:

www.smarttextiles.co.uk
www.smartmat.org.uk
www.danacentre.org.uk
www.designplus.org.uk
www.intelligent-media.org
www.londondesignfestival.com

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