

Press Release

**The D. E. Shaw Group's Dr. Pedro Domingos Wins  
2019 IJCAI John McCarthy Award**

***Dr. Domingos Oversees the Firm's Machine Learning Research Group***

**New York, August 9, 2019** – The D. E. Shaw group congratulates Dr. Pedro Domingos, head of its Machine Learning Research group, who has been awarded the 2019 John McCarthy Award by the International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI).

The award, to be presented at the IJCAI annual conference in Macao, China, August 10-16, recognizes research excellence in artificial intelligence and is named for John McCarthy, one of the founders of the discipline. Dr. Domingos is receiving this award in recognition of his contributions to machine learning and data science.

In 2018, Dr. Domingos joined the D. E. Shaw group, a global investment and technology development firm and a pioneer in quantitative approaches to trading and investment. The Machine Learning Research group operates in parallel to the firm's longstanding machine learning efforts and serves to bring new insights as technology continues to evolve.

Dr. Domingos is a leading authority on machine learning. He is a Professor of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Washington, as well as the author of *The Master Algorithm: How the Quest for the Ultimate Learning Machine Will Remake Our World*, a best-selling book on machine learning.

Dr. Domingos has received numerous awards and recognitions, including the Association for Computer Machinery's SIGKDD Innovation Award, which recognizes individuals for their outstanding technical contributions to the field of knowledge discovery in data and data mining. He is a member of the editorial board of the journal *Machine Learning* and a co-founder of the International Machine Learning Society.

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