

REVIEW OF THE GERIATRONICS SUMMIT 2024



The world comes to Garmisch-Partenkirchen: For the three-day event showcasing cutting-edge research against an impressive mountain backdrop, the two organizers—the Geriatrics Research Center at the Technical University of Munich (TUM) and the Caritas Association of the Archdiocese of Munich and Freising—put together an impressive program for the Geriatrics Summit 2024.

For the third time, the successful conference brought together researchers from Bavaria, Germany, and around the world in the fields of AI and robotics with care providers and stakeholders in the care sector. Discussions and exchanges of ideas on AI and robotics in healthcare are expressly encouraged. The focus is on how the challenges of supporting, caring for, and ensuring the well-being of older people can be met in a safe, ethical, and trustworthy manner.

One of the highlights of 2024 was the panel discussion on the topic of “Robotics meets Ethics.” Here, guests from the care sector exchanged views with robotics experts on the pressing issues of our time, including human-robot interaction and the applicability of theories in practice. Another highlight was the presentation of the poster awards, which were endowed with 1,000 euros—a generous donation from the Friends of Geriatrics e.V. association. These awards recognized the work submitted by young researchers, who had previously presented their work and opened it up for discussion.