



RoboCup 2025: Where the World's Best Robots Meet

RoboCup is the world's largest and most prestigious competition for intelligent robots and artificial intelligence. Since 1997, RoboCup has driven cutting-edge research and inspired future innovations by bringing together leading universities, research institutes, and young talent from across the globe.

RoboCup began as an initiative dedicated to advancing robotics and AI by challenging innovators worldwide to create robots that can play a full game of soccer against human world champions by 2050. As robotics has emerged into new applications and industries, RoboCup has remained the consistent benchmark for the robotics community, especially in the age of recorded demonstrations and AI generated content. Watching the robots compete in the different leagues hence allows the general public to get a real impression what today's robots are capable of in challenging conditions resembling real-world scenarios.

From 17 - 21 of July 2025, RoboCup returns to Brazil with about **1,500 participants from more than 35 countries**, showcasing the latest developments in autonomous robotic, and AI across diverse challenges, from soccer-playing humanoids to at home services, industrial logistics and autonomous rescue missions.

The competitions are not only thrilling spectacles but also serve as real-world test-beds for advancing robotics that can tackle tomorrow's societal needs.



Highlights at RoboCup 2025

- **Soccer Leagues:** According to the ultimate vision of RoboCup, robots will be able to play and win against the human soccer world champion by 2050. While not quite at a level to beat human soccer players just yet, you can already watch teams of autonomous humanoid and wheeled robots compete in dynamic, fully self-directed matches.
- **Rescue:** Robots navigate disaster-like scenarios and search for victims to practice for their next deployment to real-world search-and-rescue missions
- **Home:** Robots pioneer technologies that can be used in people's everyday life in the future
- **Industrial & Logistics:** Autonomous robots solve warehouse and factory challenges, driving innovation for smart production.
- **Junior League:** Over 400 students under 19 from around the world prove their ingenuity in soccer, rescue, and OnStage performances. An inspiring glimpse at tomorrow's engineers and computer scientists.
- **Symposium:** A scientific conference where the academic research driving RoboCup innovation is presented.

When RoboCup was hosted in Brazil 11 years ago, it already attracted more than 100,000 visitors. This year, the local organizers expect more than 150,00 spectators to join in Salvador! And because not everyone can come to Brazil to see the robots, RoboCup will also stream the event highlights live. With this, thousands of more people can join when the world's most advanced robots compete!

For journalists and media teams, RoboCup offers unparalleled access to the state-of-the-art of robotics and AI research, inspiring visuals to illustrate



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cutting-edge technology, as well as access to leading researchers from across the globe.

Live streams:

- <https://www.twitch.tv/robocupofficial>
- <https://www.youtube.com/@RoboCupBrasil>

We will stream live every day (17 - 21 of July) from 10 am to 6 pm BRT and showcase highlights of all RoboCup leagues throughout the day. The hosts will take viewers through the day, explain the technology behind the robots that compete, and answer questions about everything robotics and AI.

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