

COLING • ACL 2006

This is only the third time in their 40+ year histories that the two peak international conferences on computational linguistics, natural language processing and language technology have been combined; it's also the first time the events have been held in the southern hemisphere.

With four days of main conference sessions, a full complement of tutorials, and long list of co-located workshops, this is an event you will not want to miss. Take this opportunity to visit one of the world's most beautiful cities!

MAIN CONFERENCE

The Coling/ACL 2006 conference main sessions will take place on Monday 17th, Tuesday 18th, Thursday 20th and Friday 21st of July at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, located on Darling Harbour, conveniently close to all necessary amenities and many of Sydney's world-class tourist sites.

The conference schedule features a full program of papers covering all aspects of computational linguistics; natural language interfaces; applications, tools and language resources; and system evaluation.

The program also includes a student research workshop, a number of poster sessions, and an interactive presentations session featuring live demonstrations of natural language processing systems.

CO-LOCATED EVENTS

The conference tutorials and a large number of workshops and events will take place before and after the main conference at the University of Technology, Sydney, located close to the main conference venue and hotels.

Co-located Events

15 & 16 July

INLG 2006: International Conference on Natural Language Generation

7th SIGdial Workshop on Discourse and Dialogue

The Eighth International Workshop on Tree Adjoining Grammar and Related Formalisms (TAG+8)

Tutorials

16 July

Mining Unstructured Data *Ronen Feldman*

Synchronous Grammars and Tree Automata *David Chiang and Kevin Knight*

Dependency Parsing *Joakim Nivre and Sandra Kübler*

Discourse Annotation: Discourse Connectives and Discourse Relations *Aravind Joshi, Rashmi Prasad and Bonnie Webber*

Multimodal Language Processing *Michael Johnston and Srinivas Bangalore*

Co-located Events

22 & 23 July

2006 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2006)

Workshops

22 & 23 July

Fifth SIGHAN Workshop on Chinese Language Processing

Workshops

22 July

Constraints and Language Processing (CSLP-06)

Frontiers in Linguistically Annotated Corpora 2006

Information Extraction Beyond the Document

Sentiment and Subjectivity in Text

2nd Workshop on Ontology Learning and Population: Bridging the Gap between Text and Knowledge

Workshops

23 July

Annotating and Reasoning about Time and Events (ARTE)

How can Computational Linguistics improve Information Retrieval?

Linguistic Distances

Multilingual Language Resources and Interoperability

Multiword Expressions: Identifying and Exploiting Underlying Properties

Task-Focused Summarization and Question Answering

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Cocktails will be served at the Welcoming on the evening of Sunday 16th July. Wednesday is the traditional Coling conference excursion, which on this occasion will be based around a harbour cruise and will feature a visit to the world-famous Taronga Zoo (see the strange animals at play), Manly Beach (see the Sydneysiders at play), and a cocktails-at-dusk return to our starting point (see your colleagues at play). There will be a conference dinner on Thursday 20th July. A partner program will offer distractions for those who are accompanying delegates.

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