CCURL II - **Towards an Alliance for Digital Language Diversity**

The second CCURL Workshop "Towards an Alliance for Digital Language Diversity" will be held on May 23, 2016, at LREC 2016 in Portorož, Slovenia. The workshop intends to bring together a wide variety of people (academics, industrial researchers, digital language-resource and technology providers, researchers and professionals in language learning and digital language planning, software developers, and language activists) sharing the aim of building a community devoted to the development of language resources and technologies (LRTs) for under-resourced languages, and actively engaged in defining an agenda for an Alliance for Digital Language Diversity.

We solicit papers ***pertaining to digital language diversity***, including but not limited to:

- Digital infrastructure, including LRTs: Addressing issues about, for example, gaps, quantity, quality, availability, suitability, reusability, sustainability, maintainability, usage rights;

- LRT research and development: Experiences in the development of LRTs for under-resourced languages; use and usability of minority languages in social media;

- Domain-specific resources and applications for and in under-resourced languages: Domains may include education (e.g. e-books), entertainment, publishing, government, commerce, finance, and many others;

- Policies, guidelines and best practices for the development of digital language diversity;

- Advocacy and digital language planning;

- Digital cultural diversity through digital language diversity;

- New methods towards digital language diversity, including semantic web technologies as well as open data and free/open-source and other open innovation approaches, such as open science commons;

- Significance and implications of digital language diversity for the *Internet of things.*

Papers should contain original, substantial and unpublished research addressing any of the topics above. In order to encourage participation of policy makers, language activists, and grassroots speakers' associations, position papers or project descriptions are also welcome, to be presented during a dedicated session of the workshop.

SUBMISSIONS

- Papers must describe original unpublished work, either completed or in progress;

- Each submission will be reviewed by three programme committee members. In accordance with LREC policy, papers are not required to be anonymous;

- Accepted papers will be presented either as oral presentations or posters and will be published in the workshop proceedings;

- Papers should be formatted according to the stylesheet provided on the LREC 2016 website and should not exceed 8 pages, including references and appendices. Papers should be submitted in PDF unprotected format to the workshop START page (URL will be provided in due time).

DATES

February 7, 2016	Paper submissions due
March 7, 2016	Paper notification of acceptance
April 3, 2016	Camera-ready papers due
May 23, 2016	Workshop

IDENTIFY, DESCRIBE AND SHARE YOUR LANGUAGE RESOURCES!

- Describing your LRs in the LRE Map is now a normal practice in the submission procedure of LREC (introduced in 2010 and adopted by other conferences). To continue the efforts initiated at LREC 2014 about "Sharing LRs" (data, tools, web-services, etc.), authors will have the possibility, when submitting a paper, to upload LRs in a special LREC repository. This effort of sharing LRs, linked to the LRE Map for their description, may become a new "regular" feature for conferences in our field, thus contributing to creating a common repository where everyone can deposit and share data.

- As scientific work requires accurate citations of referenced work so as to allow the community to understand the whole context and also replicate the experiments conducted by other researchers, LREC 2016 endorses the need to uniquely identify LRs through the use of the International Standard Language Resource Number (ISLRN, www.islrn.org), a Persistent Unique Identifier to be assigned to each Language Resource. The assignment of ISLRNs to LRs cited in LREC papers will be offered at submission time.

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