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The Istituto di Linguistica Computazionale is very pleased to publish the texts of the communications presented at the meeting on Natural Language Processing held in Pisa in 1981; an occasion which I am happy to observe seems to have provided the stimulus for the establishment of a regular series of meetings between Italian researchers working in this and in related fields.

Since the organization in Pisa of the last two International Summer Schools on «Mathematical and Computational Linguistics», which brought together outstanding American and European specialists in the various aspects of NLP, from linguistics to psycholinguistics, to artificial intelligence, etc., the interest for NLP has considerably grown in Italy.

The variety of topics discussed in the different articles which appear in this volume confirms the interdisciplinary status of NLP, a theme which is of particular relevance for the entire field of Computational Linguistics.

I am particularly pleased to have this opportunity of thanking the authors of the texts published in this volume, all the participants at the meeting and, in particular, the editor of this volume, Amedeo Cappelli, who promoted the meeting and was responsible for its excellent organization.

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