



EUROLAN SUMMER SCHOOL

The Eighth Edition

Semantics, Opinion and Sentiment in Text

July 23 - August 3, 2007

“Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iași, Romania



<http://eurolan.info.uaic.ro/>

Dates: July 23rd – August 3rd 2007

Place: University “Al. I. Cuza” Iași, Romania

Location

The city of Iași is the most important historic, economic, academic and cultural center in Northeast Romania. Located at about 400 km north of the Romanian capital city, Iași can be reached directly from Bucharest, by airplane, train or car. The town has also connections with other major European cities.



Scope

The EUROLAN 2007 summer school will provide two weeks of intensive study in the emerging areas of sentiment and opinion analysis complementing deep semantic analysis, and their applications to discourse and dialogue. The Summer School will cover topics relevant to the new Web 2.0, with lectures covering the application of Natural Language Processing to blogs, wikis, etc.. Invited lecturers will include internationally known researchers in the field. Lectures will consist of half- and full-day seminars, together with hands-on labs to provide students with in-depth understanding and experience.

Grants

A number of student grants are available through the Microsoft Inspire program. The organizers encourage participants with less financial possibilities to apply using the Registration Form.

REGISTRATION: <http://eurolan.info.uaic.ro/html/reg.html>

Satellite events

Doctoral Consortium: <http://eurolan.info.uaic.ro/2007/DC/>

Organisers: Corina Forăscu, Oana Postolache, Georgiana Pușcașu, Cristina Vertan

Workshop on Applications of Semantics, Opinion and Sentiments in eLearning (ASOS):

<http://eurolan.info.uaic.ro/2007/ASOS/>

Open call for participation

Organisers: Steven Krauwer, Paola Monachesi

Social events

- a welcome and a farewell party
- one-and-a-half days excursion to the Northern part of the Romanian province of Moldavia, including the famous monasteries from Bucovina.
- a city tour
- an almost daily contest *Taste it!.. and rank your opinions*, where those taking part will let everybody taste their best national dish they know how to cook - to be prepared by the participant in the contest at the school's restaurant, with specialized help

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Invited lecturers and courses

- Mathieu d'Aquin, Enrico Motta** (KM, Open University, UK): Next generation Semantic Web.
- Dan Cristea** ("Al. I. Cuza" University of Iași) : Thematic threads in chats
- Nancy Ide** (Vassar College, USA): Overview: Sentiment and Opinion Analysis
- Rada Mihalcea** (University of North Texas, USA), **Carlo Strapparava** (IRST, Trento, Italy): Words, Meanings and Emotions.
- Paola Monachesi** (Utrecht University, The Netherlands): Role semantics - annotation and analysis
- Nicolas Nicolov** (Umbria Inc., Boulder, USA): The Good, the bad and the money -- How industry capitalizes on sentiment.
- Livia Polanyi** (Powerset inc., USA): Discourse and dialogue structure
- Horia-Nicolai Teodorescu** (Romanian Academy): Traces of emotion, intentions and meaning in spoken Romanian.
- Dan Tufiş** (Romanian Academy): Cross lingual and cross cultural textual encoding of opinions and emotions
- Jan Wiebe** (University of Pittsburgh, USA): Objective tracking the subjectivity in context.
- Yorick Wilks** (University of Sheffield, UK): Artificial Companions- a new approach to dialogue modelling.
- Michael Zock** (LIF-CNRS, France): Do you (still) love me? A crash course on telling and recognizing lies.

Program

1st WEEK	Monday, 23rd July	Tuesday, 24th July	Wednesday, 25th July	Thursday, 26th July	Friday, 27th July	Saturday, 28th July	Sunday, 29th July
9.00 - 10.30	Registration and Opening ceremony	Monachesi: Annotation of semantic roles	Nicolov: The Good, the bad and the money	Teodorescu: Emotion, intentions and meaning in spoken Romanian	Motta, d'Aquin: Next generation Semantic Web	Tufiş: Cross lingual and cross cultural textual encoding of opinions and sentiments	Trip to Bucovina
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	
11.00 - 12.30	Ide: Overview: Sentiment and Opinion Analysis	Monachesi: Annotation of semantic roles	Nicolov: The Good, the bad and the money	Teodorescu: Emotion, intentions and meaning in spoken Romanian	Motta, d'Aquin: Next generation Semantic Web	Tufiş: Cross lingual and cross cultural textual encoding of opinions and sentiments	
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
15.00 - 16.30	Ide: Overview: Sentiment and Opinion Analysis	Monachesi: Annotation of semantic roles	Nicolov: The Good, the bad and the money	Teodorescu: Emotion, intentions and meaning in spoken Romanian	Motta, d'Aquin: Next generation Semantic Web	City tour	
16.30 - 17.00	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break		
17.00 - 18.30		ASOS Workshop	ASOS Workshop	ASOS Workshop	ASOS Workshop		
	Welcome party						

2nd WEEK	Monday, 30th July	Tuesday, 31st July	Wednesday, 1st August	Thursday, 2nd August	Friday, 3rd August
9.00 - 10.30	Wiebe: Subjectivity and Sentiment Analysis	Mihalcea, Strapparava: Words, Meanings and Emotions	Wilks: Artificial Companions	Polanyi: Dimensions of Discourse Organization	Cristea: Thematic threads in chats
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Morning coffee
11.00 - 12.30	Wiebe: Subjectivity and Sentiment Analysis	Mihalcea, Strapparava: Words, Meanings and Emotions	Wilks: Artificial Companions	Polanyi: Dimensions of Discourse Organization	Closing session
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
15.00 - 16.30	Wiebe: Subjectivity and Sentiment Analysis	Mihalcea, Strapparava: Words, Meanings and Emotions	Zock: Telling and recognizing lies	Polanyi: Dimensions of Discourse Organization	
16.30 - 17.00	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	
17.00 - 18.30	Doctoral Consortium	Doctoral Consortium	Doctoral Consortium	Doctoral Consortium	
				Farewell party	

Legend
Tutorial
Coffee break
Practical session
Lunch Gaudemus
Special session
Workshop
Social event

Program Committee

- Dan Cristea, "Al. I. Cuza" University of Iași, Romania
- Nancy Ide, Vassar College, USA
- Rada Mihalcea, University of North Texas, USA
- Oliviero Stock, IRST, Trento, Italy
- Dan Tufiş, Romanian Academy, Bucharest, Romania

Organising Committee (local co-chairs)

- Dan Cristea, "Al. I. Cuza" University of Iași, Romania
- Corina Forăscu, "Al. I. Cuza" University of Iași, Romania
- Dan Tufiş, Romanian Academy, Bucharest, Romania

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