Call for Participation

The 8th NTCIR Workshop Meeting

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Call for Papers and Participation
(Paper Submission Due: March 31, 2010)

The 3rd International Workshop on Evaluating Information Access
(EVIA 2010)
June 15-18, 2010
National Center of Science, Tokyo, Japan

Organized by: NTCIR Organizing Committee  Sponsored by National Institute of Informatics (NII)

http://research.nii.ac.jp/ntcir/ntcir-ws8/meeting/

NTCIR is a series of evaluation workshops for Information Access Technologies like Information Retrieval (IR), Question Answering (QA), Summarization, Text Mining, Machine Translation, etc. and providing research infrastructure for evaluation and testing, and forum of researchers. It has placed emphasis on processing of East Asian languages, but attracted international participation.

NTCIR-8 hosts the following tasks:
- Advanced Cross-Lingual Information Access (ACLIA), which conducted module-base evaluation of “Complex Cross-Lingual QA” and “IR for QA”
- Geotemporal Information Retrieval (GeoTime) on Japanese and English
- Multilingual Opinion Analysis (MOAT) on Chinese, Japanese and English
- Patent Machine Translation (and Cross-Lingual IR) and Patent Mining
- Community QA

NTCIR-8 Meeting and EVIA 2010 are open events and anybody who are interested in the research in information access technologies are welcome. For the NTCIR-7 Meeting, more than 200 attendees from 17 different countries contributed to discussion. Please come and join the discussion!

Invited Talks:
-NTCIR-8 Meeting: "Building Watson: A Grand Challenge in Automatic NL Question Answering"
  David A. Ferrucci (IBM Research) and Koichi Takeda (IBM Research)
-EVIA 2010: "(Title) [to be announced]"
  John Nave (Principal Development Manager, Search Technology Center, Microsoft)

Schedule:
DAY-1 (15th June 2010) The 3rd International Workshop on Evaluating Information Access (EVIA2010) and "Introduction to NTCIR"
DAY2-4 (16-18th June 2010) NTCIR-8 Meeting

-Sponsors for the meeting and NTCIR-9 Task Proposals are most welcome!

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