

The 13th NTCIR Conference (NTCIR-13)

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Evaluation of Information Access Technologies
and

The 8th International Workshop on Evaluating Information Access (EVIA 2017)

December 5 (Tues) – 8 (Fri), 2017

Venue: National Center of Sciences, Tokyo, Japan

Organizing: National Institute of Informatics (NII), NTCIR Organizing Committee

<http://research.nii.ac.jp/ntcir/ntcir-13/conference.html>

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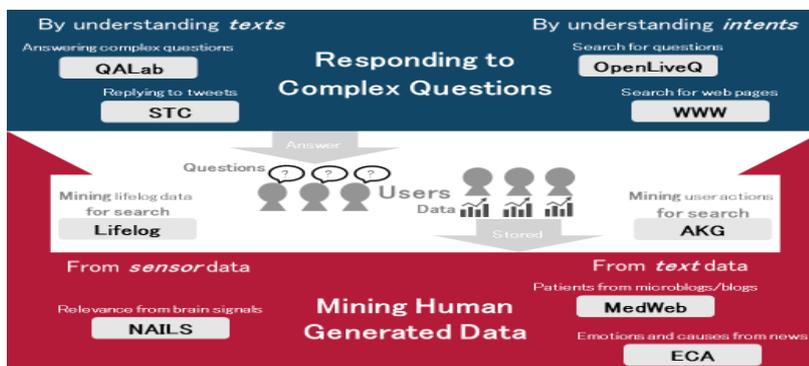
The Thirteen NTCIR Conference (NTCIR-13) and the eighth International Workshop on Evaluating Information Access (EVIA 2017) will be held on December 5-8, 2017, at NII in Tokyo, Japan.

NTCIR-13 Conference and EVIA 2017 would like to welcome all of you who are interested in and/or working on information access research. This sesquiannual event was first started in 1998, and has grown steadily ever since. NTCIR covers diverse information access tasks including, but not limited to, information retrieval, question answering, text summarisation and text mining, with an emphasis on East Asian languages and English. We are especially fortunate to have an distinguished **Keynote** speaker **Omar Alonso**, Microsoft. Please come and join the discussion!

NTCIR-13 Tasks

At the NTCIR-13 conference, we will hear exciting reports from the following ninth tasks:

- **Lifelog-2** : Information access and enrichment task for rich multimedia lifelog data of real-world life experience of individuals
- **MedWeb** : Labeling and extracting disease names of Twitter message texts and disease journal texts.
- **OpenLiveQ** : Question retrieval task in which participants can evaluate their systems in a production environment of Yahoo Japan Corporation's community question-answering service.
- **QALab-3** : Question analysis, information retrieval, information extraction and automatic summarization using Japanese university entrance exams of "World History"
- **STC-2** : Given a microblog post, retrieve or generate a coherent and useful response.
- **AKG** : Mining potential actions of users, and predicting the properties of search queries.
- **ECA** : Explore the cause of emotion from text.
- **NAILS** : Evaluating the potential of using neural signals to label image content
- **WWW** : Ad hoc web search is back - we will monitor progress over at least three rounds of NTCIR.



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Keynote Speaker: Omar Alonso (Microsoft)