

Preface

This volume contains the papers presented at EVIA 2023: the 10th International Workshop on Evaluating Information Access, which was held in conjunction with the 17th NTCIR Conference on the Evaluation of Information Access Technologies (NTCIR-17) in Tokyo, Japan, on December 12, 2023.

Information Access technologies play a crucial role as intermediaries between human information needs and digital information resources. Insightful, reliable, repeatable and affordable evaluation of these technologies has long been recognized as central to the advancement of the field. As information access technologies continue to evolve, the importance of evaluation grows as well.

The goal of the workshop is to foster the exchange of research ideas and insights regarding information access evaluation, aiming to bring in new perspectives which have not yet been explored or fully addressed. The workshop solicited the submission of contributions covering new approaches and discoveries on search interactions, retrieval evaluation, text analysis, and more. EVIA 2023 received 7 submissions, and accepted four.

EVIA 2023 featured a keynote talk by Dr. Ian Soboroff of the National Institute of Standards and Technologies in the United States, entitled *Evaluating Systems that Generate Content*. This was complemented with a panel discussion on the *Evaluation of Generative Large Language Models* that brought together experts in the field to delve into potential opportunities and pressing challenges of evaluating information access in the era of large language models. As large language models continue to evolve, they are becoming instrumental in an array of applications, ranging from natural language understanding to content generation, and they are being applied in support of information access in a number of ways. Within this broader space, the panel aimed specifically to further advance discussions among researchers and practitioners on how generative large language models will impact both the opportunities and challenges for evaluation of information access.

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