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About the event

After the success of the first and second editions of the conference (JETALA'06 and CITALA'07), Mohammadia School of Engineers (EMI) and the Institute for Studies and Research on Arabization (IERA) are organizing the third edition of the International Conference on Arabic Language Processing (CITALA'09). CITALA is the only regular event on Arabic Language Processing in the Maghreb region.

CITALA'09 conference will be held in the Mohammadia School of Engineers (Rabat, Morocco) in May 2009. CITALA'09 is an IEEE technically co-sponsored conference.

The aim of this Conference is to gather studies, achievements and experiences from scholars working on Arabic language processing in order to map the progress made in this field. A special session will also be organized to enable resource mobilization and identification of partnerships for future collaborative participatory project cooperation. High level partner institutions will be invited to network with participants.

Topics

Communications (30 minutes, including question time), could address the following Arabic Language Processing topics (non limitative list):

- Lexicon: data bases including linguistic resources (phonological, morphological, syntactic, and semantics)
- Design, use, standardization and normalization of linguistic resources (Arabic corpora, Arabic Lexicon, Anthologies, etc.)
- Use of linguistic resources in Arabic NLP applications
- Automatic generation and parsing of morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics and discourse.
- Evaluation and benchmarking of resources, applications and Arabic NLP products
- Resources for the evaluation of applications for the written and spoken Arabic language
- Exploitation of Arabic NLP in Industrial applications
- Automatic Tagging of Arabic Texts
- Text Briefing
- Automatic Machine Translation
- Optical Character Recognition
- Documents Retrieval, information searching and retrieving, search engines, and questions/answering systems
- Needs, possibilities, forms, initiatives of/local, regional and international activities, projects and collaborative participatory cooperation

Submission

Authors are invited to submit papers using IEEE Standard template (to download from the conference web site). The submitted articles should not exceed 10 pages. Each paper will be evaluated based on originality, significance, technical soundness, and clarity of exposition. Accepted articles will be published in the proceedings of this meeting and could be proposed for publication in an IEEE Journal. Articles should be submitted in electronic MS Word format to both following addresses: citala2009@emi.ac.ma, citala2009@iera.ac.ma. By submitting a paper, authors implicitly agree that at least one of them will register to the conference and present the paper.

Deadlines

Extended deadline:	March 1 st , 2009
Paper submission:	February 15, 2009
Notification of acceptance:	Mars 27, 2009
Final version submission:	April 3, 2009
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