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Preface

STIL is the bi-annual Language Technology event supported by the Brazilian Computer Society (SBC) and by the Brazilian Special Interest Group on Natural Language Processing. In 2013 it took place at Fortaleza, Ceará, Brazil. The conference has a multidisciplinary nature and covers a broad spectrum of disciplines related to Human Language Technology, such as Linguistics, Computer Science, Psychology, and Information Science, among others. It aims at bringing together both academic and industry participants that work on those areas.

The topics of interest centered around work in human language technology in general from perspectives as diverse as Computer Science, Linguistics and Information Science, such as text mining, written and spoken language processing, terminology, lexicology and lexicography and natural language generation. We received 65 submissions from Brazil, Great Britain, Peru, Germany, United States, and Portugal. Each paper was reviewed by at least three members of the Program Committee which had 64 members from 7 countries and 34 institutions. After a rigorous reviewing process, 15 papers were selected for oral presentation (acceptance rate of 23%), and 17 papers were selected for poster presentation, including some long papers reallocated as short papers.

Besides the technical sessions with paper and poster presentations, STIL 2013 included two invited talks and two tutorials in its program. The invited speakers were Dr. Maite Taboada (Simon Fraser University, CA) and Dr. Diana Maynard (University of Sheffield, UK). The tutorials were also delivered by Dr. Taboada and Dr. Maynard.

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