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## Introduction

The Fifth Workshop on Vision and Language 2016 (VL'16) took place in Berlin on the 12th August 2016, as part of ACL'16. The workshop is organised by the European Network on Integrating Vision and Language which is funded as a European COST Action. The VL workshops have the general aims: 1. to provide a forum for reporting and discussing planned, ongoing and completed research that involves both language and vision; and 2. to enable NLP and computer vision researchers to meet, exchange ideas, expertise and technology, and form new research partnerships.

The call for papers for VL'16 elicited a good number of submissions, each of which was peer-reviewed by three members of the programme committee. The interest in the workshop from leading NLP and computer vision researchers and the quality of submissions was high, so we aimed to be as inclusive as possible within the practical constraints of the workshop. In the end, we accepted five submissions as long papers, and eight as short papers. The resulting workshop programme packed a lot of exciting content into one day. We were delighted to be able to include in the programme a keynote presentation by Yejin Choi, University of Washington.

We would like to thank all the people who have contributed to the organisation and delivery of this workshop: the authors who submitted such high quality papers; the programme committee for their prompt and effective reviewing; our keynote speaker; the ACL 2016 organising committee, especially the workshops chairs; the participants in the workshop; and future readers of these proceedings for your shared interest in this exciting new area of research.

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