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Introduction

The International Conference on Spoken Language Translation (IWSLT) is the premiere annual scientific conference for the study, development and evaluation of spoken language translation technology. Launched in 2004 and spun out from the C-STAR speech translation consortium before it (1992-2003), IWSLT is the main venue for scientific exchange on all topics related to speech-to-text translation, speechto-speech translation, simultaneous and consecutive translation, speech dubbing, cross-lingual communication including all multimodal, emotional, paralinguistic, and stylistic aspects and their applications in the field. The conference organizes evaluations around challenge areas, and presents scientific papers and system descriptions. IWSLT is organized by the Special Interest Group on Spoken Language Translation (SIGSLT), which is supported by ACL, ISCA and ELRA.

This year, IWSLT featured nine shared tasks in spoken language translation: (i) simultaneous and (ii) offline translation, (iii) automatic subtitling and (iv) dubbing, (v) speech-to-speech translation, (vi) multilingual, (vii) dialect and (viii) low-resource speech translation, and (ix) formality control. Each shared task was coordinated by one or more chairs. The resulting evaluation campaigns attracted a total of 31 teams, from academia, research centers, and industry. System submissions resulted in system papers that will be presented at the conference. Following our call for papers, this year 51 submissions were received. In a blind review process, 8 research papers were selected out of 15 for oral presentation (57%) in addition to 37 system papers.

The program committee is excited about the quality of the accepted papers and expects lively discussion and exchange at the conference. The conference chairs and organizers would like to express their gratitude to everyone who contributed and supported IWSLT. In particular, we wish to thank our Diamond sponsors Apple and Translated, our Gold sponsor aiXplain, and our Silver sponsor AppTek. We thank the shared tasks chairs, organizers, and participants, the program committee members, as well as all the authors that went the extra mile to submit system and research papers to IWSLT, and make this year's conference a big success. We also wish to express our sincere gratitude to ACL for hosting our conference and for arranging the logistics and infrastructure that allow us to hold IWSLT 2023 as a hybrid conference.

Welcome to IWSLT 2023, welcome to Toronto!

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