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#### **INTRODUCTION:**

There is an ever-growing need for tools for translation, and Europe is envisaging a particular challenge with the enlargement of the European Union which will add 10-12 new languages.

One of the important trends emerging from the 2001 MT Summit in Santiago de Compostela was that MT is going more and more towards an integration or combination with other tools.

In the planning of this workshop we wanted to follow up on these two trends by focussing on how MT and other language technology tools can be combined in order to produce translation faster and better, and secondly on how language technology tools can support faster production of MT systems.

Various ways of combining 'proper' MT with other types of language technology tools in order to improve performance and efficiency of translation have been discussed. This may include pre-editing tools, taggers, post-editing tools, access to bilingual concordances, term extraction tools, categorisation tools, semantic clustering etc. In the programme we see a selection of such proposals for new directions for improving MT by embedding it in an environment of other tools.

Embedding is a very popular term, and it is worth noticing that we are using the concept in a slight different way here. Embedded MT normally refers to MT embed ded in another application, e.g. information retrieval, document production. But the embedding discussed here is an embedding or an enrichment of MT by combining it with other tools, namely tools which may improve the quality, even if the tools themselves are solving problems that are much simpler than the MT problem.

The other theme for the workshop was chosen because the growing demand for MT for new languages and new language pairs makes it necessary to find ways of suppor ting the production of new language pairs. Both providers and researchers are using resources, statistics, and language technology to make progress in this field. Unfortunately, this theme is not strongly represented in the papers we received.

This is the first time an EAMT workshop is organised at EACL and it has been a very good experience which can certainly be repeated in the future.

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### **CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

### Sunday, April 13

9:30-9:45	Welcome and introduction Bente Maegaard (Center for Sprogteknologi, CST)
9:45-10:30	Improving Machine Translation Quality with Automatic Named Entity Recognition Bogdan Babych, Anthony Hartley (University of Leeds)
10:30-11:00	Coffe Break
11:00-11:45	Two Approaches to Aspect Assignment in an English-Polish Machine Translation System Anna Kupsc (Polish Academy of Sciences & Carnegie Mellon University)
11:45-12:30	Multi-language Machine Translation through Interactive Document Normalization Aurélien Max (GETA & Xerox Research Centre Europe)
12:30-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:45	Computer-based Support for Patients with Limited English Harold Somers (UMIST), Hermione Lovel (University of Manchester)
14:45-15:30	Panel discussion on improving MT
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-16:45	Parallel Corpora Segmentation Using Anchor Words Francisco Nevado, Francisco Casacuberta, Enrique Vidal (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia)
16:45-17:30	An Evaluation of a Lexicographer's Workbench: building lexicons for Machine Translation Rob Koeling (University of Sussex), Adam Kilgarriff, David Tugwell, Roger Evans (University of Brighton)
17:30-18:00	Panel discussion on resources and tools for building MT

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