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Foreword

It is with great pride that the Philippines hosted the 31st Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Communication (or PACLIC) from November 16 to 18, 2017 held at the University of the Philippines Cebu.

A warm welcome to all the participants from over the world who came to exchange knowledge and ideas on language. Following the long tradition of PACLIC conferences, PACLIC 31 (2017) emphasizes the synergy of theoretical frameworks and processing of natural language, providing a forum for researchers from different fields to share and discuss progress in scientific studies, development and application of the topics related to the study of languages. Included in the proceedings are 2 keynote speeches, 3 invited talks, 26 oral papers, and 22 poster papers.

Thank you to our organizers. Our local organizer, University of the Philippines Cebu headed by Chancellor Atty Liza D. Corro and her able team. And our other organizers namely: National University (Philippines), the Computing Society of the Philippines – Special Interest Group on Natural Language Processing, and the Linguistic Society of the Philippines.

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