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# Preface

This collection of papers stems from the 9th Workshop on the Representation and Processing of Sign Languages which was supposed to be held in May 2020 as a satellite to the Language Resources and Evaluation Conference in Marseille (France). While the workshop itself had to be postponed due to the Corona Virus, these proceedings go online as planned as a service to the community.

While there has been occasional attention to sign languages at the main LREC conference, the focus there is on spoken languages in their written and spoken forms. This series of workshops, however, offers a forum for researchers focussing on sign languages, especially on corpus data and corpus technology for sign languages.

This year's hot topic "Sign Language Resources in the Service of the Language Community, Technological Challenges and Application Services" strongly reminds us that our field should progress in a way that maximally benefits the language communities. It is also our obligation to explain where long-term research on major technological challenges may finally contribute to overwhelming barriers the communities are still confronted with in collaborative ways where preferably they as main stakeholders are leading the efforts themselves whenever possible.

The contributions composing this volume are presented in alphabetical order by the first author. For the reader's convenience, an author index is provided as well.

Once again, we would like to thank all members of the program committee who helped us tremendously by reviewing the submissions to the workshop within a very short timeframe!

Finally, we would like to point the reader to the proceedings of the previous workshops that form important resources in a growing field of research. They are all available online from
http://www.sign-lang.uni-hamburg.de/lrec/
The site now also offers an author index across all workshops as well as DOIs for all workshop papers and posters. If you need BibTex data for all workshops, the site now has them per paper, per workshop, per author or all in one. Happy browsing!

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