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Preface

Welcome to the 1st Workshop on Sense, Concept and Entity Representations and their Applications (SENSE 2017). The aim of SENSE 2017 is to focus on addressing one of the most important limitations of word-based techniques in that they conflate different meanings of a word into a single representation. SENSE 2017 brings together researchers in lexical semantics, and NLP in general, to investigate and propose sense-based techniques as well as to discuss effective ways of integrating sense, concept and entity representations into downstream applications.

The workshop is targeted at covering the following topics:

- Utilizing sense/concept/entity representations in applications such as Machine Translation, Information Extraction or Retrieval, Word Sense Disambiguation, Entity Linking, Text Classification, Semantic Parsing, Knowledge Base Construction or Completion, etc.
- Exploration of the advantages/disadvantages of using sense representations over word representations.
- Proposing new evaluation benchmarks or comparison studies for sense vector representations.
- Development of new sense representation techniques (unsupervised, knowledge-based or hybrid).
- Compositionality of senses: learning representations for phrases and sentences.
- Construction and use of sense representations for languages other than English as well as multilingual representations.

We received 21 submissions, accepting 15 of them (acceptance rate: 71%).

We would like to thank the Program Committee members who reviewed the papers and helped to improve the overall quality of the workshop. We also thank Aylien for their support in funding the best paper award. Last, a word of thanks also goes to our invited speakers, Roberto Navigli (Sapienza University of Rome) and Hinrich Schütze (University of Munich).

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- 9:40-10:00 - Short paper presentations
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Maximilian Köper and Sabine Schulte im Walde
 - Using Linked Disambiguated Distributional Networks for Word Sense Disambiguation*
Alexander Panchenko, Stefano Faralli, Simone Paolo Ponzetto and Chris Biemann
- 10:00-11:00 - Invited talk by Roberto Navigli (Sapienza University)

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 - 13:00 Session 2

- 11:30-11:45 - Lightning talks (posters)
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13:00 - 14:30 Lunch

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- 14:30-15:00 - Invited talk by Hinrich Schütze (University of Munich)
- 15:00-16:00 - Presentations of the best paper award candidates

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16:00 - 16:30 Coffee break

16:30 - 17:15 Session 4

- 16:30-17:15 - Open discussion, best paper award and closing remarks