

CALL FOR PAPERS (January 2010)

The **SemDial** series of workshops aims to bring together researchers working on the semantics and pragmatics of dialogue in fields such as artificial intelligence, computational linguistics, formal semantics/pragmatics, philosophy, psychology, and neural science.

SemDial 2010 will be the 14th workshop in the **SemDial** series and it will be organized at the Institute of Psychology (Chair of Logic and Cognitive Science), Adam Mickiewicz University (AMU), Poznań. AMU is one of Poland's largest institutions of higher education, located in the historical city of Poznań.

WEBSITE: <http://www.semdial2010.amu.edu.pl>

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Authors of **best accepted papers** will be invited to submit extended versions to *Dialogue & Discourse*, the new open-access journal dedicated exclusively to research on language 'beyond the single sentence' (<http://www.dialogue-and-discourse.org>).



SCOPE

We invite papers on all topics related to the semantics and pragmatics of dialogues, including, but not limited to:

- models of common ground/mutual belief in communication
- modelling agents' information states and how they get updated
- multi-agent models and turn-taking
- goals, intentions and commitments in communication
- semantic interpretation in dialogues
- reference in dialogues
- ellipsis resolution in dialogues
- implicature production and reception in natural speech
- cognitive processes involved in verbal communication
- dialogue and discourse structure
- interpretation of questions and answers
- nonverbal interaction in communication
- natural language understanding and reasoning in spoken dialogue systems
- multimodal dialogue systems
- dialogue management in practical implementations
- categorisation of dialogue moves or speech acts in corpora
- designing and evaluating dialogue systems
- incremental interpretation and/or production in dialogue

DATES AND DEADLINES

1. Full 8-page papers

Submission due: ~~15 March 2010~~

Due to a number of requests, the paper submission deadline for SemDial 2010 is being extended to **MONDAY 29th MARCH**.

We hope that this will alleviate the problems of a crowded deadline season!

Notification of acceptance: 12 April 2010

Camera-ready papers due: 04 May 2010

2. 2-page poster or demo descriptions

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3. SemDial 2010: June 16-18, 2010 (Wednesday-Friday)

Full papers will be in the usual 8-page, 2-column format. There will also be poster and demo presentations. The selection of posters and demos will be based on 2-page descriptions. Selected descriptions will be included in the proceedings.

The **styles** (L^AT_EX, MS Word, O.O. Writer) and **detailed instructions** needed for proper submission preparation are available on the conference website (<http://semDial2010.amu.edu.pl/submission.html>).

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INVITED SPEAKERS

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Henry Prakken (Utrecht University)

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SATELLITE WORKSHOP: INTENTIONS IN DIALOGUE

SemDial participants may also be interested in the “Intentions in Dialogue” workshop being held in Poznań on Tuesday 15th June (at the same location).

Modelling the achievement of effective coordination between interlocutors is often assumed to rely on some notion of strategic common ground or mutual knowledge computation. However, some recent psycholinguistic and language acquisition data seem to undermine this assumption, and computational models of dialogue often exclude high-order meta-representations of other parties’ beliefs or intentions. This workshop will explore various points of views pertaining to this issue and its resolution.

Talks are by invitation, but all SemDial participants are welcome to attend and join the discussions.

PREVIOUS SEMDIAL EVENTS

Previous workshops in the SemDial series include:

DiaHolmia, Stockholm, 24-26 June 2009

LONDIAL, London, 2-4 June 2008

DECALOG, Rovereto, 30 May - 1 June 2007

brandial, Potsdam, 11-13 September 2006

DIALOR, Nancy, 9-11 June 2005

CATALOG, Barcelona, 19-21 July 2004

DiaBruck, Saarbrücken, 4-6 September 2003

EDILOG, Edinburgh, 4-6 September 2002

BI-DIALOG, Bielefeld, 14-16 June 2001

GÖTALOG, Gothenburg, 15-17 June 2000

Amstelogue, Amsterdam, 7-9 May 1999

Twendial, Twente, 13-15 May 1998

MunDial, Munich, 10-12 May 1997

SemDial Workshop Series homepage: <http://www.illc.uva.nl/semDial/>