

7th SaLTMiL Workshop on

"Creation and use of basic lexical resources for less-resourced languages"

A half-day workshop at [LREC 2010](#)

Sunday May 23, 2010, 09.00-14.00.

Mediterranean Conference Center, Valetta, Malta

Context and focus

The 7th International Workshop of the ISCA Special Interest Group on Speech and Language Technology for Minority Languages (SaLTMiL: see <http://ixa2.si.ehu.es/saltsmil>), will be held in Malta, on a date between May 17 and May 23, 2010 to be announced, as part of the 2010 International Language Resources and Evaluation Conference (LREC). Entitled "Creation and use of basic lexical resources for less-resourced languages", the workshop is intended to continue the series of SALTMIL/LREC workshops on computational language resources for minority languages, held in Granada (1998), Athens (2000), Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (2002), Lisbon (2004), Genoa (2006) and Marrakech (2008). The Malta 2010 workshop aims to share information on tools and best practice, so that isolated researchers will not need to start from scratch. An important aspect will be the forming of personal contacts, which can minimize duplication of effort. There will be a balance between presentations of existing language resources, and more general presentations designed to give background information needed by all researchers.

Programme

[Proceedings \(pdf\)](#)

09.00 **Registration**

09.30 **Opening**

09.45

Invited talk:

Marc Kemps-Snijders. LAT team at the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen, The Netherlands.

10.30 **Coffee break**

11.00

Invited talk:

Antton Gurrutxaga and Egiur Lete Foundation. "Exploring the Semantics of the Basque Verb System."

11.45 **Oral papers (20+5 min.):**

Tommi A Pirinen and Kristine Stüben Spell-Checking with Weighted Language and Error Models—Building a Better Spell-Checker

Aric Bills, Lori S. Levin, Elizabeth M. Kaplan, and Edmund A. MacLean

12.35 **Poster session**

Marco Passarotti : "Leaving Behind the Lesser Status. The Case of Latin through the Eyes of a Non-Latinist"

Anna Björk Nikulásdóttir, Eraldo Matthes, and Matthew Waelzer Relations as a Basis for a Future Semantic Database

Gábor Próséky, Attila Nagyakabán, Iván Endrédy, Balázs Oszkó, László Fejér, Sándor Szegedényi,

Géraldine Walther and Bérengère Gagnon large-scale lexicon for a less-resourced language: Sorani Kurdish

Hrafn Loftsson, Jökull Ýðavöllir, Sigurður Helgadóttir and Eingiur Pál Þórhallsson
13.20

Panel

: Less resourced languages and Language technology. Short- and medium-term

- [Slides](#) of the discussion.
- [Summary of the discussion](#) on "Less resourced languages and Language technology. Short- and medium-term"

14.00

Closing

Organisers

- Mikel L. Forcada: Machine Translation Group, School of Computing, Dublin City University, Dublin, Ireland
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Additional referees

- Per Langgård: Oqaasileriffik (Language Secretariat, Nuuk, Greenland)
- Paul Meurer: Universitet i Bergen
- Sjur Moshagen: Divvun (Norwegian Sámi Parliament)
- Eva Navas: University of the Basque Country

Important dates

28 February 2010 4 March 2010 Deadline for submission

22 March 2010 Notification

29 March 2010 Final version

23 May 2010 Workshop

Registration

Registration form [available](#) in LREC 2010 site