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Preface

The seventh edition of ACL SIGUR’s meeting IWCLUL is organised in conjunction with Electronic writing of the peoples of the Russian federation (EWPRF 2021) in Syktyvkar, Russia, the actual event was organised Online only due to the situation in 2021. This is the seventh event in the series and second hosted in Russia.

For the current proceedings of The Seventh International Workshop on Computational Linguistics for Uralic Languages, we accepted 8 high-quality submissions about topics ranging from overviews and insights into traditional language technology and resources all the way to modern neural network approaches in Uralic context and speech technology. The papers cover a wide range of Uralic languages from Finnish and North Sámi to Udmurt and Komi-Zyrian with several papers giving insight on whole range of Uralic languages. Whereas some papers describe language-specific research, others compare different languages or work on small Uralic languages in general. These contributions are all very important for the preservation and development of Uralic languages as well as for future linguistic investigations on them.

As the conference is organised in collaboration with EWPRF, we have two full days of presentations as well as a round table, a regular business meeting of ACL SIGUR and time for discussions. The current proceedings include written papers of all of the IWCLUL oral presentations.

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