Preface

Technologies for translation and interpreting have benefited from promising recent advances including the employment of Natural Language Processing (NLP) and deep learning technology amongst other latest solutions. The current pandemic has prevented the in-person exchange of ideas and networking of researchers and practitioners working on translation technology, interpreting technology, machine translation and NLP in general, but virtual communication opportunities have enabled continued collaboration and provided alternative communication channels. While eagerly awaiting the return of normality, the international conference TRITON (TRanslation and Interpreting Technology ONline) is offering an opportunity to exchange ideas, learn from each other and interact virtually.

TRITON is an online event which features two days of conference presentations and one day of tutorials. A number of leading scholars and industry stakeholders act as keynote speakers; oral presentations and posters were accepted with every submission evaluated by 3 reviewers. The programme is complemented by TRITON tutorials on hot topics from the fields of translation technology, interpreting technology or NLP.

We are pleased to offer the e-proceedings of the conference which feature the regular and poster papers to be presented at the TRITON conference as well as a selection of the keynote speeches. This e-proceedings volume comes with ISBN and DOI numbers assigned to every contribution.

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