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## Message from the Organizing Committee

Welcome to 2021 Widening NLP Workshop!

In 2016, a select group of people met at ACL in Berlin to discuss the underrepresentation of women and other minorities in the Natural Language Processing community. The outcome of this was the first Workshop for Women and underrepresented minorities in NLP at ACL 2017: a workshop specifically dedicated to highlighting the work of groups whose work is often overlooked. We are proud to continue this work with the 2021 Widening NLP workshop.

Every year, we strive to make the workshop more inclusive. After the 2017 iteration of WiNLP, we set up two submission deadlines, one for early submissions to accommodate those who need more time for visa applications and a later deadline for those who do not have such concerns.

Following the success of the 2018 workshop, in 2019 we sought to also highlight diversity in scientific background, discipline, training, obtained degrees, and seniority. In addition, we introduced a workshopping feature, where authors themselves opted in to give feedback to their fellow authors before the papers were sent out for review.

The years 2020 brought new challenges with a global pandemic canceling all in-person conferences and workshops but has also given us the opportunity to widen our audience and authorship further. In 2021 we are taking advantage of the hybrid format of the workshop to widen our audience, while also supporting authors who intended to attend in-person. Our travel funds have been additionally repurposed to assist with higher speed internet connections and registration fees – since those are lower cost items it means we can offer assistance to even more people to join our virtual workshop.

Despite the rapid changes in 2021, we received 52 submissions, accepting 44 of them, most of them from authors from under-represented countries and women authors. In particular, we will present papers from 19 unique countries across 5 continents!

We are proud to have great invited speakers - Dr. Jasmijn Bastings, Prof. Manuel Montes, and Dra. Adriana Lorena Iñiguez Carrillo, as well as four excellent panelists - Drs. Anna Rogers, Cecilia Superchi, Bahar Mehmani, and Yang Feng.

We thus proudly present the 2021 Widening NLP workshop, and hope that you will enjoy the wonderful work of the authors, speakers, and panelists of this edition of the workshop.

Erika, Ryan, Alicia, Antonios, Khyathi, Tirthankar, Haley, Xanda, and Surangika.

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## **Conference Program**

Thursday, November 11, 2021

- 8:00–9:00 Poster Session A
- 9:00–9:10 Opening Remarks
- 9:10–9:50 Joint Keynote speaker with Queer In AI: Dr. Jasmijn Bastings (English with Spanish translation)
- 9:50–10:30 Keynote speaker 2: Prof. Manuel Montes (Spanish with English translation)
- 10:30–11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00–12:00 Tutorial: How to write and respond to a review
- 12:00-13:00 Lunch
- 13:00–14:20 Panel: The Peer Review Process and Widening NLP
- 14:20–14:45 Coffee break

#### 14:45–15:25 Keynote speaker 3: Dra. Adriana Lorena Iiguez Carrillo

#### 15:25–16:25 Poster Session B

*OkwuGbé: End-to-End Speech Recognition for Fon and Igbo* Bonaventure F. P. Dossou and Chris Chinenye Emezue

*TEET! Tunisian Dataset for Toxic Speech Detection* Slim Gharbi, Hatem Haddad, Mayssa Kchaou and Heger Arfaoui

Ara-Women-Hate: The first Arabic Hate Speech corpus regarding Women Imane Guellil, Ahsan Adeel, Faical Azouaou, Mohamed Boubred, Yousra Houichi and Akram Abdelhaq Moumna

Multi-label Emotion Classification on Code-Mixed Text: Data and Methods Iqra Ameer, Grigori Sidorov, Helena Gómez-Adorno and Rao Muhammad Adeel Nawab

Behavioral Testing of Knowledge Graph Embedding Models for Link Prediction Wiem Ben Rim, Carolin Lawrence, Kiril Gashteovski, Mathias Niepert and Naoaki Okazaki

Developing Language Technology and NLP tools for endangered languages: Torwali

Naeem Uddin Hadi

How to Make Virtual Conferences Queer-Friendly: A Guide Organizers of QueerInAI, A Pranav, MaryLena Bleile, Arjun Subramonian, Luca Soldaini, Danica Sutherland, Sabine Weber and Pan Xu

*Neutralizing Gender Bias in Neural Machine Translation by Introducing Linguistic Knowledge* 

Ksenia Kharitonova, Marta R. Costa-jussà, Carlos Escolano, Christine Basta and Jordi Armengol-Estapé

Developing Keyboards for the Endangered Livonian Language Mika Hämäläinen and Khalid Alnajjar

Nuanced Queerphobic Bias in Popular Sentiment Analysis Tools: A Data Set and Evaluation Eddie Ungless, Björn Ross and Vaishak Belle

Coral: An Approach for Conversational Agents in Mental Health Applications Harsh Sakhrani, Saloni Parekh and Shubham Mahajan

*EM ALBERT: a step towards equipping Manipuri for NLP* Rudali Huidrom and Yves Lepage

Elementary-Level Math Word Problem Generation using Pre-Trained Transformers Kashyapa Niyarepola, Savindu Ekanayake and Dineth Athapaththu

Towards the Early Detection of Child Predators in Chat Rooms: A BERT-based Approach Sinchana Kumbale and Smriti Singh

One-Shot Lexicon Learning for Low-Resource Machine Translation Anjali Kantharuban and Jacob Andreas

Sinhala-English Code-mixed and Code-switched Data Classification Janani Sumanapala, Himashi Rathnayake and Raveesha Rukshani

"I don't know who she is": Discourse and Knowledge Driven Coreference Resolution

Angela Ramirez, Cecilia Li, Phillip Lee, Eduardo Zamora, Jeshwanth Bheemanpally, Marilyn Walker and Adwait Ratnaparkhi

Idiom Extraction Method with Fine-tuning of Pre-trained TransformersModel for Named Entity Recognition Nao Yamato

Occupational Gender stereotypes in Indic Languages Neeraja Kirtane and Tanvi Anand

#WhyDidTheyStay: An NLP-driven approach to analyzing the factors that affect domestic violence victims Marthala Kavya and Smriti Singh

Exploring Transfer Learning Pathways for Neural Machine Back Translation of Eskimo-Aleut, Chicham, and Classical Languages Aaron Serianni and Daniel Whitenack

An interpretable representation that visually grounds dialog history Mauricio Mazuecos, Franco M. Luque, Jorge Sánchez, Hernán Maina, Thomas Vadora and Luciana Benotti

Automated Template Paraphrasing for Conversational Assistants Liane Vogel and Lucie Flek

*Discovering changes in birthing narratives during COVID-19* Daphna Spira, Noreen Mayat, Caitlin Dreisbach and Adam Poliak

*Explorations in Transfer Learning for OCR Post-Correction* Lindia Tjuatja, Shruti Rijhwani and Graham Neubig

A Prototype Free/Open-Source Morphological Analyser and Generator for Sakha Sardana Ivanova, Francis Tyers and Jonathan Washington

*Towards Text Simplification for Sinhala Language* Rumesh Sirithunga, Lahiru De Silva and Thamindu Aluthwala

# Natural language processing as a tool to identify the Reddit particularities of cancer survivors around the time of diagnosis and remission: A pilot study

Ioana R. Podină, Ana-Maria Bucur, Diana Todea, Liviu Fodor, Andreea Luca, Liviu P. Dinu and Rareș Boian

*Identifying Significant Citations via Mining Paper Full-Text* Muskaan Singh and Tirthankar Ghosal

SciBERT-based Multitasking Deep Neural Architecture to identify Contribution Statements from Scientific articles Komal Gupta and Tirthankar Ghosal

*Characterizing Test Anxiety on Social Media* Esha Julka, Olivia Kowalishin, Jalisha B. Jenifer and Adam Poliak

Sample Selection Guided by Domain and Task for Cross-Domain Targeted Sentiment Analysis Kasturi Bhattacharjee, Rashmi Gangadharaiah and Smaranda Muresan

Bengali Parallel Universal Dependency Treebank Pritha Majumdar

The Development of Pre-processing Tools and Pre-trained Embedding Models for Amharic

Tadesse Destaw, Abinew Ayele and Seid Muhie Yimam

Towards Syntax-Aware DialogueSummarization using Multi-task Learning Seolhwa Lee, Kisu Yang, chanjun park, João Sedoc and Heuiseok Lim

Detoxifying Language Models with Proximal Policy Optimization Taaha Kazi

Towards Personalized Descriptions of Scientific Concepts Sonia Murthy, Daniel King, Tom Hope, Daniel Weld and Doug Downey

Building Prosody Labeled Corpus in Hindi Esha Banerjee, Atul Kr. Ojha and Girish Jha

*How Well Can an Agent Understand Different Accents?* Divya Tadimeti, Kallirroi Georgila and David Traum

*Monolingual Pre-Trained Language Models for Tigrinya* Fitsum Gaim, Wonsuk Yang and Jong C. Park

ASQ: Automatically Generating Question-Answer Pairs using AMRs Geetanjali Rakshit and Jeffrey Flanigan

Adverse Drug Reaction Classification of Tweets with Fusion of Text and Drug Representations Andrey Sakhovskiy and Elena Tutubalina

Detecting Gender Bias using Explainability Gauri Gupta, Supriti Vijay and Krithika Ramesh

Leveraging ultradense embeddings to analyze gender-oriented extremist recruitment targeting

Jatin Khilnani, Rasika Bhalerao, Tatenda Ndambakuwa and Maxwell Aliapoulios

16:25–16:35 Closing Remarks

**16:35–17:30 Social** Coffee