PACLIC Report to AFNLP (2006 -2007)

1) PACLIC 20 in 2006:

The 20th Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation was held on November 1-3, 2006 at Huazhong Normal University in Wuhan under the auspices of the PACLIC Steering Committee.   The total number of participants, presumably excluding local students, is estimated to be around 70 and participants from 9 countries and regions were present from Czech Republic, China, Germany, China Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Singapore, China Taiwan, and Vietnam.

There were five invited and plenary talks:

1. "Deep Semantic Analysis: Making Natural Language Processing Systems More Intelligent" by Dr. Jun'ichi Tsujii
2. "Which is Essential for Chinese Word Segmentation: Character Versus Word" by Dr. Chang-Ning Huang
3. "On Chinese Polynominals: When Chinese Nouns Get Together" by Dr. Benjamin K T'sou
4. "Multilinguality in Temporal Annotation: A Case of Korean" by Dr. Kiyong Lee
5. "Towards a Neuro-Cognitive Model of Human Sentence Processing" by Dr. Kei Yoshimoto.

70 papers were presented out of 113 submissions.

2) PACLIC 21 in 2007

The 21st Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation was held on November 1-3, 2007 at Seoul National University in Seoul under the auspices of the PACLIC Steering Committee.

There were 6 invited and plenary talks:
1. "The Semantic Interpretation of Semantic Annotations" by Dr. Harry Bunt
2. "Processing Definiteness in English: Some Remarks on the 'Meaning' of the Definite Article" by Dr. Byung-Soo Park
3. "Deep Lexical Semantics: The Ontological Ascent" by Jerry Hobbs
4. "Scalable Deep Linguistic Processing: Mind the Lexical Gap" by Dr. Timothy Baldwin
5. "How Has Belief Modality Contributed to Formal Semantics?" by Dr. Satoshi Tojo
6. "Word Sense Learning for Word Sense Disambiguation" by Dr. Donghong Ji

55 papers were selected for presentation out of 80 submissions.   There were 120 participants, 69 from Korea and 51 from Australia, China, China Hong Kong, Japan, Netherlands, Philippines, Singapore, China Taiwan, and USA.

3) PACLIC 22 in 2008

The 22nd Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation will be held on November 19-21, 2008, in Cebu City, hosted by De La Salle University, Manila under the auspices of the PACLIC Steering Committee. This decision was made by the PACLIC Steering Committee meeting held during PACLIC 21 in Seoul on November 2nd, 2007.

4) ISI Proceedings

Proceedings from the five previous PACLIC conferences (PACLIC 16-20, 2002-2006) are indexed in ISI Proceedings (formerly ISTP). All future PACLIC Proceedings will be submitted to ISI for indexing.

5) PACLIC Digital Archive in Waseda University Library Institutional Repository

Scanned PDF files of papers contained in proceedings from the past PACLIC conferences up to PACLIC 17 (2003) have been incorporated into Waseda University Library Institutional Repository DSpace and are now available via the Internet. Proceedings of PACLIC 18 has been Internet-accessible since 2005 and proceedings of PACLIC 19 and later will be likewise processed in due time.

6) Discussions were held on the rotational hosting of PACLIC, and the need to clarify relationship between AFNLP and PACLIC.

For further details, please go to the PACLIC Steering Committee web page at: http://www.decode.waseda.ac.jp/PACLIC-STEERING/index.html

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