

Call for Participation

ROMIP'2010 - The Eighth Russian Information Retrieval Evaluation Seminar

May 2010 - October 2010
<http://www.romip.ru/en>

You are invited to participate in ROMIP'2010. Deadline for applications - May 15, 2010.

The Russian Information Retrieval Evaluation Seminar (ROMIP) is an annual retrieval system evaluation campaign that is in many respects similar to other world information retrieval forums such as TREC, CLEF, NTCIR.

The distinctive features of ROMIP are:

- focus on problems of information retrieval in Russian language and image retrieval
- unique large scale Russian language and image collections
- tracks that are not available in other similar initiatives.

The seminar is a perfect opportunity to check your information retrieval, image and natural language processing approaches and algorithms. You will be able to use Russian language collections and industry standard evaluation methodologies. The leading Russian IR researchers and companies traditionally participate in the seminar and you will be able objectively compare your results with theirs. The image tracks are not language specific and have original collections and tasks.

The final workshop will be held in conjunction with RCDL'2010 conference (<http://rcdl2010.ksu.ru>) and will be in October, 2010, in Kazan, Russia. The city is the capital of the Republic of Tatarstan, Russia, located on Volga river. Kazan has more than thousand year history and is a big cultural and industrial center with more than million population,.

Official languages: Russian and English

Tentative Tracks

- Ad hoc retrieval
 - in a collection of Web pages
 - in a collection of legal documents
 - in a mixed collection
- Classification
 - of legal documents
 - of Web sites
 - of Web pages
- News clustering
- Fact extraction from news
- Query-biased summarization
- Search by sample document or text fragment
- Query answering
- Image tracks
 - Content based image retrieval
 - Near duplicate detection
 - Automatic image annotation
- Open track (any research project based on ROMIP datasets)

Datasets

The text collections are in Russian language. The test queries sets for retrieval tasks are from logs of popular search engines. The image collection is language independent.

Detailed tracks and collection descriptions are available on the the ROMIP website (<http://romip.ru>).

Important dates

Requests for participation: May 15, 2010

Collection and task delivery: May 20, 2010

Submission of results: up to July 10, 2010 (depends on track)

Result of evaluation: August 30, 2010

Paper submission: September 20, 2010

Workshop: October 15-19, 2010 (exact date to be defined later)

How to participate

Please submit your application to romip@romip.ru and provide the following information:

- List of tracks you are interested in
- Contacts (organization, email of contact person)
- Name of the system
- Brief description of the system/team to be published on the ROMIP website.

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