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SWISSTEXT 2016: AUTOMATIC TEXT UNDERSTANDING IN SWITZERLAND

SwissText is a one-day conference on automatic text analytics, which takes place June 8, 2016 in Zurich. SwissText will bring together practitioners and researchers and give an overview of existing solutions and technologies in automatic text understanding/natural language processing/computational linguistics.

The conference will cover the most interesting topics that are relevant for real-world applications: for instance how to detect positive or negative messages on Twitter, what is state-of-the-art in machine translation, how to extract entities such as company and person names from arbitrary texts, or which types of texts can be generated automatically.

Broad Support by Swiss Community

SwissText has broad support in the analytics community: it is organized by the Datalab of Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), more than 10 Swiss universities and research associations are official partners of the conference, and it is supported and funded by CTI, the Swiss Federal Commission for Technology and Innovation, and by SpinningBytes, a private company for data analytics.

Keynotes will be given by three distinguished experts in the area: Katja Filippova, NLP expert at Google Zurich;

Prof. Paolo Rosso, head of the Natural Language Engineering Lab in València; and Jürg Attinger, innovation mentor of CTI, who will give hands-on tips how to get federal funding for innovative products and services.

Presentations for the Audience

The conference will see three types of presentations: **Surveys** will give a broad overview of state-of-the-art technologies and solutions in text understanding; **Showcases** will present successful projects; and **Open Problem Presentations**, where practitioners from the industry present "their" open problem.

Get Involved

Participation fee for SwissText 2016 is CHF 80.- and includes admission to all sessions, lunch and after-conference apero. Registration is now open until end of May 2016.

For more information on SwissText 2016, visit the conference website at www.swisstext.org.

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