Agenda Management Committee Meeting

COST Action no. IC1207

Action Title: Parsing and multi-word expressions. Towards linguistic precision and computational efficiency in natural language processing (PARSEME)

laşi, Romania 23.09.2015

<u>Note</u>: several points below refer to the slides of the PARSEME plenary meeting (23/09/2015) downloadable at: http://typo.uni-konstanz.de/parseme/images/Meeting/2015-09-23-lasi-meeting/Opening-session/2015-09-23-lasi-opening-session.pdf

1. Welcome to participants

Checking the quorum: 2/3 of the member countries, i.e. at least 20 countries, must be represented.

- 2. Adoption of agenda (vote needed, one per country, simple majority)
- 3. Approval of minutes and matters arising of last meeting (**vote needed**)

 The minutes are downloadable at: http://typo.uni-konstanz.de/parseme/images/Meeting/2015-03-19-Malta-meeting/MC-meeting/Action IC1207 MC Minutes Malta 2015-03-19.pdf
- 4. Update from the Grant Holder

We have successfully submitted a report for the 2nd year of the Action. We have spent **96%** of the budget allocated for the year 2. During this year we have carried 9 STSMs and spent 64% of the budget planned for STSM's. In total we reimbursed 178 Action participants, including 53 participants at the Frankfurt meeting, 58 at the Malta meeting, 43 trainees and 5 trainers at the Prague Training School, and 19 intended participants reimbursed for the non-refundabale costs of the cancelled Haifa meeting.

We encountered some <u>delays with the payments</u> in the second half of the budget year due to organisational issues at COST and delay with the funds allocation on their side.

- 5. Update from the COST Association
 - Another temporary re-allocation of **Science Officer**: Marta Artiles Viera (in place of Ralph Stuebner and Rossella Magli), until <u>4 January 2016</u>.
- 6. Follow-up of MoU objectives
 - a. Progress report of working groups
 - 8 WG surveys on MWEs are under way
 - Survey on MWE lexicons and treebanks (WG1 & WG4) LREC poster submission planned
 - MWE templates for particular languages (WG1)
 - SOA paper on lexical encoding of verbal MWEs (WG1)
 - Book project: Mutliword Expressions: Insights from a Multi-lingual Perspective (WG1) - chapters sent to reviewers
 - 3 surveys on hybrid processing of MWEs (WG3): discovery,

translation, parsing (see Malta posters)

- Survey on MWE annotation in treebanks (WG4)
- see also the WG webpages (http://typo.unikonstanz.de/parseme/index.php/organization/working-groups) and the closing session in Valletta on 20.03.2015
- b. Scientific assessment

See the <u>feedback poll from Valletta</u> including (in the bottom) advantages and weak points of the action as such:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1l1nEivYKPCGrfaLBzojTHe6clU7rUxQayBwEZgrHAh0/viewanalytics

See also a <u>summary</u> of advantages and recommendations at: http://typo.uni-konstanz.de/parseme/images/Meeting/2015-09-23-lasi-meeting/MC-meeting/2015-03-19-Malta-feedback-summary.txt

7. Scientific planning

- a. Scientific strategy
 - Advances in organizing a <u>shared task</u> dedicated to <u>automatic detection</u> <u>of verbal MWEs</u> (organizers: Veronika Vincze and Antoine Doucet) 16 expressions of interest for <u>15 languages</u> so far; see the WG3 meeting
- b. Action Budget Planning

Work and Budget Plan for year 3 has been approved (via an e-COST vote). Lower buget do tue COST savings: 170,000 EUR (194,000 EUR in year 2).

- c. Long-term planning (including anticipated locations and dates of future activities)
 - PARSEME/ENeL workshop in Skopje, FYR Macedonia, 5-6 April 2016 proposed <u>hotel reimbursement rate</u>: 65 EUR per night (two of the recommended hotels offer rooms for 45 and 53 EUR) (vote needed)
 - 6th general meeting, Struga, FYR Macedonia, 7-8 April 2016 proposed <u>hotel reimbursement rate</u>: 45 EUR per night (price for a single room in the conference hotel) (**vote needed**)
 - 7th general meeting in autumn 2016 1 proposal (**vote needed**):
 - Dubrovnik, 26-28 September 2016 organizers: Croatian Language Technologies Society and the University of Zagreb, Croatia; presentation by Marko Tadić
 - 2nd Training School, summer or autumn 2016 4 proposals (vote needed)
 - University of Wolvelhampton, UK submission by Michael Oakes
 - University of La Rochelle, France presentation by Antoine Doucet
 - University of Belgrade, Serbia presentation by Cvetana Krstev
 - University of Olsztyn, Poland submission by Monika Czerepowicka
- d. Dissemination planning (Publications and outreach activities)

A <u>dissemination paper</u> on the action, authored by the SC members – submitted to the LTC 2015 conference in Poznań, Poland, 27-29 November 2015

- e. PARSEME follow-up (another COST action? investing more heavily in the SIGLEX-MWE? other initiatives?) feedback from the MC members
- 10. Any Other Business
- 11. Location and date of next meeting

7 April 2016, Struga, FYR Macedonia (to be confirmed)

- 12. Summary of MC decisions
- 13. Closing