

PREFACE

We are pleased to present the Proceedings of the Workshop on the *Production of Referring Expressions (PRE-CogSci 2009): Bridging the gap between computational and empirical approaches to reference*. The PRE-CogSci 2009 workshop was held on 29 July 2009, in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, as part of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci 2009). It was endorsed by the ACL Special Interest Group on Generation (SIGGEN).

PRE-CogSci invited substantial, original, and unpublished submissions on all topics related to the production of referring expressions. Contributions could focus on computational or experimental approaches to reference, with combinations of the two especially appreciated. Following our call, we received 36 submissions, and each submission was evaluated by three members of our programme committee (always including, per submission, at least one computational linguist and one psycholinguist). After a careful review process 10 submissions (28%) were accepted for oral presentation and 13 submissions (36%) were accepted for poster presentation

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