

# PolText 2016

## International Conference on the Advances in Computational Analysis of Political Text

14 - 16. 7. 2016, Dubrovnik

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### PROGRAM

#### THURSDAY

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19:30

Welcome reception and participant registration  
CAAS Atrium

#### FRIDAY

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09:00 Welcome address

09:20 Keynote: Stuart Soroka

The Potentials and Pitfalls of Automated Sentiment Analysis in Political Texts

10:00- **Semantic Analysis**

*Moderator: Sebastian Popa*

11:45

Edoukou Philippe Armel  
N'Techobo, Amal Zouaq and  
Michel Gagnon

Semantic Annotation for the Analysis of Political Debates: A Graph-based Approach.

Gijs Schumacher and Martijn  
Schoonvelde

What are they Talking About? Leaders' Attention to the Economic Crisis and the EU

Jason Eichorst, Federico Nanni,  
Căcilia Zirn and Goran Glavaš

Hitting the Bullseye? Topic-Based Analysis of Position and Vagueness Over Time in US Electoral Campaigns

Andrey Kutuzov and Alexander  
Bai

Tracking political reputation with distributional semantic models

*Discussants: Stuart Soroka and Philip Habel*

11:30- Coffee break

11:45

12:00- **Mass Media Analysis**

*Moderator: Daniela Širinić*

13:45

Damir Korenčić, Marijana  
Grbeša Zenzerović and Jan  
Snajder

Issues and their Saliency in the 2015 Parliamentary Election in Croatia: A Topic Model based Analysis of the Media Agenda

Michael Amsler and Bruno  
Wueest

Legitimacy of New Forms of Governance in Public Discourse - An Automated Media Content Analysis Approach Driven by Techniques of Computational Linguistics

Blake Miller

Automatically Detecting Regime Commentators in Chinese Online News Media

*Discussants: Shaun Bevan and Dan Hiaeshutter-Rice*

13:45 Lunch at CAAS Atrium

14:30

14:30 **The Ins and Outs of Political Manifestos**

*Moderator: Zoltan Fazekas*

16:45

Caecilia Zirn, Federico Nanni, Jason Eichorst and Goran Glavaš

Classifying Topics and Detecting Topic Shifts in Political Manifestos

Zachary Greene

How intra-party disagreement determines issue diversity in election manifestos

Felix Biessmann, Daniel Kirsch and Pola Lehmann

Predicting political party affiliation from text

*Discussants: Andrej Kutuzov and Sebastian Popa*

17:30 Dubrovnik Wall Tour (optional: provided by the organizers)

18:30 Dubrovnik Historic Center Tour (optional: provided by the organizers)

## SATURDAY

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09:00 Keynote: Jon Oberlander

Role theory meets relation extraction: Initial experiments on perceptions of the EU

09:45- **Social Media Analysis**

*Moderator: Shaun Bevan*

11:30

Sebastian Popa, Zoltan Fazekas, Hermann Schmitt, Pablo Barberá and Yannis Theocharis

Talk is Cheap: Selective Politicization of EU dimension in the 2014 EP elections

Dan Hiaeshutter-Rice

The Medium is the Message: Automated Content-Analytic Techniques Across Mass Media Platforms

Anjie Fang, Philip Habel, Iadh Ounis and Craig Macdonald

Information Influence among Media, Policy Elites, Politicians and Citizens

*Discussants: Jon Oberlander and Matthew Loftis*

11:30- Coffee break

11:45

11:45- **New Tools and Methods**

*Moderator: Goran Glavaš*

13:30

Juraj Medzihorsky

The Mixture Index of Fit in Text Analysis

Matt W. Loftis and Peter B. Mortensen

Collaborating with the Machines: Building big political data sets on a budget

Kohei Watanabe

Reinventing dictionary-based content analysis: A new computer-aided dictionary making technique for social sciences

*Discussants: Goran Glavaš and Zoltan Fazekas*

13:30 Lunch at CAAS Atrium

14:30

14:30 **Measurement and Meaning**

*Moderator: Pola Lehmann*

16:15

Magnus Sahlgren, Stefan Dahlberg and Sofia Axelsson

The Meaning of Democracy

Benjamin Bagozzi, Daniel Berliner and Zack Almquist

Predicting Government (Non)Responsiveness to Freedom of Information Requests with Supervised Latent Dirichlet Allocation

Valentin Gold and Katharina Holzinger

Measuring Deliberative Quality: An automated Text-Analysis Approach

*Discussants: Juraj Medzihorsky and Damir Korenčić*

16:15- Coffee break

16:30

16:30- **Making Sense of Parliamentary**

*Moderator: Zachary Greene*

17:30 **Texts**

Eugenia Giraudy, Matthew Burgess, Julian Katz-Samuels and Joe Walsh

Beyond Money in Politics: Automatic Detection of Legislative Text Re-Use

Eitan Tzelgov and Petrus Olander

The Immigration Issue in the Swedish Parliament: What explains Party Positions and Issue Framing

*Discussants: Edoukou Philippe Armel N'Techobo and Randolph M. Siverson*

20:30

Conference dinner for all participants

Meeting point: Hotel Lero and a short bus trip to the "inlands"

