



4602 Committee

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Conflicts of Interest

Eneko Aguirre has a moderate conflict (publishing 3+ full papers there in the last 5 years). He participated in discussion but not the final decision-making (i.e. managed by moderation)

Reza Haffari has a strong COI (one of the submitters) - managed by exclusion from all processes on this submission

Decision

Conference to be ranked as A

Justification

EACL was on the "needs to be reviewed" list. The submission requested to retain its current rank of "A".

The various indicators for EACL are mostly strong: the PC is strong and reasonably actively publishing at EACL (with the number of stronger PC members publishing there being somewhat lower than otherwise since the event was only held twice in the past 5 years), it has a strong h5 (4th in the area, behind ACL, EMNLP and NAACL), and reasonably good citation graphs.

Unfortunately the area leader analysis was non-repeatable due to manual selection of researchers. The report was re-run (using the Google Scholar label "natural language processing") and the results show EACL being well behind the leading venues (it was #11 on the list).

The committee (excluding those with COI) unanimously recommended retaining the "A" ranking.