Ranking Change Request: DAS

Conference name: International Workshop on Document Analysis Systems **Conference acronym:** DAS (http://www.ict.griffith.edu.au/das2012/index.html)

Event Start Year: 1994 Frequency: Biennial

Organizer: International Association of Pattern Recognition (IAPR).

Requested Rank: B

Rationale: DAS is the second major venue after ICDAR in the field of Document Image Analysis and Optical Character Recognition. DAS is being held biennially since 1994. In synchronisation with ICDAR, which takes place biennially in odd years (2009, 2011, ...), DAS takes place in even years (2010, 2012, ...).

Current Rank: UNRANKED - In the original ERA list published in Dec 2009, DAS was wrongly classified under the FoR code - 0807 (Library and Information Studies). The correct classification of DAS would have been FoR code - 0801 (Artificial Intelligence and Image Processing), as indicated by its grouping both by Microsoft Academic Search as well as by Arnetminer in "Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition".

After consultations with CoRE, **ARC** eventually removed all conferences listed under the **FoR** code **0807**, thereby resulting in removal of DAS from the revised ERA ranked conferences list published in Feb 2010.

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Detailed Information about DAS ranking and PC Chairs

The detailed information requested by the CORE for making a decision is presented inline with the blue colored text.

(a) Position in Microsoft Academic Search (overall and within sub-area) with date obtained. Position in this list must be counted manually.

academic.research.microsoft.com/?SearchDomain=2&entitytype=3

Date: 12 June 2013 Overall: **440** / **3513**

Sub-area rank: 13 / 90 in Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition

(b) Position in Arnetminer (overall and within sub-area) with date obtained.

http://arnetminer.org/page/conference-rank/html/All-in-one.html

Date: 12 June 2013 Overall: **384 / 1578**

Sub-area rank: 34 / 299 in Artificial Intelligence

Sub-area rank: 9 / 82 in Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition

(c) Position in Google citations ranking (overall and within sub-area) with date obtained. http://scholar.google.com/citations?view_op=top_venues&hl=en&vq=eng Google scholar only cites top 20 venues including conferences and journals in each area. DAS is not listed among the top 20 venues in its sub-area (Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition).

(d) The name and rank (in current CORE list) of the subdiscipline conferences immediately above this venue in each of the above lists.

MAS: **DAGM** (ranked 12th in ML & PR) - **ERA 2010 Rank B** AM: **ALT** (ranked 8th in ML & PR) - **ERA 2010 Rank A**

(e) The name and rank (in current CORE list) of the subdiscipline conferences immediately below this venue in each of the above lists.

MAS: **ESANN** (ranked 14th in ML & PR) - **ERA 2010 Rank B** AM: **DAGM** (ranked 13th in ML & PR) - **ERA 2010 Rank B**

(f) Names and h index of program chairs for current and previous year.

DAS 2012, held from March 27 - 29, 2012 in **Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia** PC Chairs:

Michael Blumenstein (Griffith University, Australia) - Scopus h-index = 10 Umapada Pal (Indian Statistical Institute, India) - Scopus h-index = 14 Seiichi Uchida (Kyushu University, Japan) - Scopus h-index = 08

DAS 2010, held from June 9 -11, 2010 in Boston, MA, USA

PC Chairs:

David Doermann (University of Maryland, USA) - Scopus h-index = 22 Venu Govindaraju (University of Buffalo, USA) - Scopus h-index = 19 Daniel Lopresti (Lehigh University, USA) - Scopus h-index = 12 Prem Natarajan (Raytheon BBN Technologies Inc.) - Scopus h-index = 4

(g) A similar (in content) venue at the rank this venue is requested to be moved from, with names and h-index of that conference's program chair(s).

DAS was previously not listed in ERA so a reference to similar venue cannot be made.

(h) A similar (in content) venue at the rank this venue is requested to be moved to, with names and h-index of that conference's program chair(s).

DICTA is the premier conference of the Australian Pattern Recognition Society (APRS). It is similar in context to DAS which is sponsored by the International Association of Pattern Recognition (IAPR). The program chairs of DICTA 2013 to be held in Hobart, Australia from 26-28 Nov 2013, are as follows: Andrew Bradley (University of Queensland, Australia) - Scopus h-index = 12 Geoff West (Curtin University of Technology, Australia) - Scopus h-index = 13

(i) If the venue started within the last 5 years, date of start should be provided Not applicable, since the venue started as a biennial event in 1994.

Additional Information

- Details of a person who by virtue of their role should be qualified to make a judgement
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- Data on conference citation rates compared with other venues in the same content area Microsoft Academic Search:

DAS total citations = 6,678 DICTA total citations = 1,620