

## 6th Workshop "Recent Advances in RST and Related Formalisms"

<https://sites.google.com/site/workshoprst2017/>

In conjunction with INLG 2017, Santiago de Compostela, Spain  
September 4th, 2017

### First Call for Papers

Rhetorical Structure Theory, and in general the study of coherence relations, has experienced a revival in the last few years, in English and in other languages (da Cunha 2016; Irukieta et al. 2016; Matthiessen & Teruya 2015; Zeldes 2016). Multiple sites are now actively engaged in the development of discourse parsers (Feng and Hirst 2014; Joty et al. 2015; Surdeanu et al. 2015; Xue 2016), as a goal in themselves, but also with applications in mind such as sentiment analysis, argumentation mining, summarization, question answering, or machine translation evaluation (Benamara et al., to appear; Gerani et al. to appear; Durrett et al. 2016; Peldszus & Stede 2016; Scarton et al. 2016; Schouten & Frasinca 2016; among many others).

The proposed workshop follows a series of specialized events on Rhetorical Structure Theory and discourse studies, organized first in Brazil (2007, 2009, 2011, 2013) as part of Brazilian NLP conferences, and then in Spain in 2015, as part of the Spanish NLP conference (<https://sites.google.com/site/workshoprst2015/>).

The 6th edition of the workshop will be held on September 4th, 2017, as a satellite meeting of the International Conference on Natural Language Generation (INLG 2017 ? <https://eventos.citius.usc.es/inlg2017/index>) in Spain (Santiago de Compostela). This will be broader workshop, drawing program committee members and participants not only from RST, but from the wider field of discourse parsing and coherence relations, in RST and in related theories and approximations (SDRT, PDTB, CCR). We are interested in applied papers, with a computational orientation, but also in papers that propose to move the field forward with novel theoretical contributions.

We invite submissions on the following and related topics:

- Theoretical explorations of RST (segmentation, relation inventory, cognitive status of relations)
- Relation signalling (connectives, but also any other signals)
- Discourse parsing, in RST or related theories, moving ahead from shallow to deep discourse parsing
- (Computational) applications of RST and coherence relations in general

### PAPER SUBMISSION AND EVALUATION

Participants may submit long or short papers to [workshop.rst@gmail.com](mailto:workshop.rst@gmail.com) until June 2nd, 2017. Long papers are most appropriate for presenting substantial research results and must not exceed eight (8) pages of content, with up to two additional pages for references. Short papers are more appropriate for presenting an ongoing research effort and must not exceed four (4) pages, with up to one extra page for references. Submissions should follow the two-column format of ACL Anthology proceedings and be anonymised for double blind reviewing. NAACL offers both LaTeX style files and Microsoft Word templates.

Call for Workshop papers or abstracts: April 2017

Submissions due: June 2, 2017

Notification of acceptance: July 3, 2017

Camera-ready papers due: July 20, 2017

Papers will be published in the workshop proceedings. Papers which do not adhere to the ACL format will not be published.

### REGISTRATION

Authors of accepted papers must register for INLG at

<https://eventos.citius.usc.es/inlg2017/registration>.

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