SIGIR 2020 Call for Participation

The SIGIR 2020 invites scholars, researchers, students, professions and the general public to participate in the various activities deployed from July 25-30, 2020. SIGIR is the premier scientific conference in the broad area of information retrieval. Due to the pandemic of COVID-19, SIGIR 2020 becomes the first virtual conference in SIGIR history. The virtual conference will be integrated with user-friendly interface, and sophisticated speaker and audience interaction techniques. The registration site (<u>https://cvent.me/GVIxE7</u>) is now open (all-inclusive registration rate: student \$45, non-student \$115).

In 2020, SIGIR has the highest number of submitted papers in history. The conference is composed of multiple sessions with a wide range of topics, including: Neural IR and Semantic Matching, Knowledge and Explainability, Graph-based Analysis, Knowledge for Personalization, User Behavior and Experience, Evaluation, Bias and Fairness, Learning to Rank, Question Answering, Query and Representation, Graph-based Recommendation, Neural Networks and Embedding, Domain Specific Applications 1-2, Learning for Recommendation, Information Access and Filtering, Neural Collaborative Filtering 1-2, Context-aware Modeling, Conversation and Interactive IR, Text Classification and Transfer Learning, Domain Specific Retrieval Tasks, Multimodal Retrieval and Ranking, Sequential Recommendation, Industrial Session I-VI, Short/Demo/TOIS paper session I-II.

In addition to above tracks, SIGIR 2020 features 6 keynote speakers, 2 invited talks for this year's industry track - Symposium on IR in Practice (SIRIP), 8 pre-conference tutorials, 8 workshops, and 14 doctoral consortium papers. We are honored to have the following 6 distinguished keynote speakers: Geoffrey E. Hinton (Google & University of Toronto, Canada), Norbert Fuhr, (University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany), Ellen Voorhees (NIST, USA), Dacheng Tao (University of Sydney, Australia), Zongben Xu (Xi'an Jiaotong University, China) and Elizabeth F. Churchill (Google, USA). We are also delighted to have 2 invited industry speakers: Dr. Rong Jin (Alibaba, China), and Dr. Roise Jones (Spotify, USA).

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