

FAccTRec 2024

The 7th Workshop on Responsible Recommendation
<https://facctrec.github.io/facctrec2024/>

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Workshop History

- FATREC 1 @ RecSys 2017 (Como, Italy)
- FATREC 2 @ RecSys 2018 (Vancouver, Canada)
- Year off but related: FACTS-IR @ SIGIR 2019 (Paris)
- FAccTRec 3 @ RecSys 2020 (Rio, Brazil) - Virtual
- FAccTRec 4 @ RecSys 2021 (Amsterdam, Netherlands) - Virtual
- FAccTRec 5 @ RecSys 2022 (Seattle, USA) - Hybrid
- FAccTRec 6 @ RecSys 2023 (Singapore) - Hybrid
- FAccTRec 7 @ RecSys 2024 (Bari, Italy) - Hybrid
- FAccTRec 8 @ RecSys 2025 ???

Staying Connected

- Mastodon: @FAccTRec@recsys.social
- RecSys Slack: #responsible
- LinkedIn Group (“Socially Responsible Information Access”)

Themes

We are deliberately broad - community needs to define topic:

Responsibility, Fairness, Accountability, Transparency, Safety, and Impact

This year, we focus on the impact, challenges, and opportunities in responsible recommendation as a result of the Digital Services Act and AI Act in European Union contexts

Launchpad - the work doesn't stop here. RecSys, SIGIR, FAccT, KDD....

Paper Types

Position papers

- New ideas & proposed directions
- Reflections on practical issues (e.g. industry experience reports)

Research papers

- Empirical or analytical results
- Broad in scope

All papers *non-archival* — this is a workshop for conversation and feedback

Review Process

Submissions:

- 15 papers (16 in FAccTRec 2023)
 - Research 9, Position 6, desk reject 2
- Acceptance: 13 papers (12 in FAccTRec 2023)
- Research: long 3, short 5
- Position: long 2, short 3

Reviewing Process:

- Each article is reviewed by at least 3 reviewers
- All the articles are accessible from the workshop Website:
<https://facctrec.github.io/facctrec2024/program/>

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Workshop Schedule

- Opening & Session 1 (on-site)
 - 09:00–10:30 CEST, 07:00–08:30 UTC
- Session 2 (on-line)
 - 11:15–12:45 CEST, 09:15–10:45 UTC
- Keynote (on-site)
 - 14:30–16:00 CEST, 12:30–14:00 UTC
- Session 4 & Closing (on-site)
 - 16:45–18:15 CEST, 14:45–16:15 UTC

- Long papers: 20 mins + 5 mins
- Short papers: 9 mins + 3 mins

Feedback

- Questions and feedback
 - In Zoom chat & live
 - Need to use the chair's microphone
- Please give feedback! Help make the work better for the next iteration.
- Presentations are recorded fully, but Q&A will be removed later.

Recommender systems research under the EU's Digital Services Act and AI Act

João Vinagre (Joint Research Centre of the European Commission)

The European Union has recently introduced several pieces of EU-wide legislation specifically designed for the digital economy. The two most relevant for the RecSys community are the Digital Services Act, in force since late 2022, that provides the legal basis for the activity of online platforms (most notably social media and marketplaces) and search engines in the EU, and the AI Act, that came into force in August 2024, that regulates high-risk AI systems, with specific rules for General Purpose AI systems. This talk will provide a technical angle to the two regulations, starting with the principles behind them, and focusing on their implications for the RecSys community, particularly from a research perspective.

