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## Call for papers

The 7th edition of BSNLP workshop will be sponsored by [SIGSLAV: the ACL Special Interest Group on Slavic NLP](#).

### SCOPE and MOTIVATION

Languages from the Balto-Slavic group play an important role due to their diverse cultural heritage and widespread use -- with over 400 million speakers worldwide. The recent political and economic developments in Central and Eastern Europe have brought Balto-Slavic societies and their languages into focus in terms of rapid technological advancement and rapidly expanding consumer markets.

This Workshop addresses Natural Language Processing (NLP) for the Balto-Slavic languages. The NLP tasks in urgent need of attention include, but are not limited to:

- morphological analysis and generation,
- morphosyntactic tagging,
- syntactic and semantic parsing,
- lexical semantics,
- named-entity recognition,
- text normalisation and processing non-standard language
- coreference resolution,
- information extraction,
- question answering,
- information retrieval,
- text summarization,
- machine translation,
- development of linguistic resources.

Some linguistic phenomena specific to Balto-Slavic languages -- such as rich morphological inflection and free word order -- make the construction of NLP tools for these languages a challenging and intriguing task.

The goal of this Workshop is to bring together researchers from academia and industry working on NLP for Balto-Slavic languages. In particular, the Workshop will serve to stimulate research, and foster the creation of tools and resources for these languages. The Workshop will provide a forum for exchanging ideas, discussing difficult problems, and making the available resources more widely known. One fascinating aspect of this language group is the striking structural similarity, as well as an easily recognizable core vocabulary and inflectional inventory spanning the entire group of languages -- despite a lack of mutual intelligibility -- which creates a special environment in which researchers can appreciate the shared problems and solutions and communicate naturally. This Workshop continues the proud tradition established by the previous [BSNLP workshops](#).

### MISSION:

We invite two types of submissions: long and **short** papers.

Long papers should describe original, unpublished and completed work. **Short** papers should describe: (a) work in progress and/or small focused contributions, or (b) system demonstrations, new linguistic resources and experience of using existing software and resources, or (c) ongoing projects and activities that are relevant to all stakeholders in the domain of Balto-Slavic NLP.

overlap with previously published work should be clearly mentioned. The authors should indicate along with their submission if the paper has been submitted elsewhere, e.g., to the main conference. In particular, in case the paper is rejected by the main conference, it should be indicated in the submission.

submissions will be judged on correctness, novelty, technical strength, clarity of presentation, usability, and significance/relevance to the Workshop. Submissions will be reviewed by at least three members of the Program Committee.

The review of long papers will be blind. Long papers must not include the authors' names and affiliations. Self-citations and other references that reveal the authors' identity must be avoided. The **short** papers may be anonymized, but this is not required.

In particular, submissions describing systems, resources, or solutions that are made available to the wider public are strongly encouraged, as this will help promote computational linguistics applications for Balto-Slavic languages.

Long papers should follow the two-column format of ACL 2019 proceedings not exceeding eight (8) pages of content plus two (2) pages for references. **Short** paper submissions should follow the same format, and should not exceed four (4) pages for content plus two (2) pages for references. Submissions must conform to the official style guidelines of ACL 2019 contained in [the style files](#), and must be in PDF. Camera-ready versions of accepted papers must be provided both in LaTeX and PDF format.

[Submission Web page](#)

## TES

**First Call for papers: 20 December 2018**

**Second Call for papers: 26 March 2019**

**Submission deadline: 26 April 2019**

**Notification of acceptance: 24 May 2019**

**Camera-ready papers due: 3 June 2019**

**Workshop: 2 August 2019**