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The Sixth Dialog System Technology Challenge (DSTC6)

2017 Organizing Committee

The Fifth Dialog State Tracking Challenge (DSTC5)

2016 Organizing Committee

The Fourth Dialog State Tracking Challenge (DSTC4)

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The Ninth Asia Information Retrieval Societies Conference (AIRS 2013)

Local Organizing Committee Co-chair 2013

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Publicity Committee Member 2012

AAAI, ACL, ACM-SIGIR, AI Magazine, CSL, CoNLL, EMNLP, ICLR, IEEE ASRU, IEEE ICASSP, IEEE SLT, IEEE/ACM TASLP, IJCAI, IJCNLP, IWSDS, Interspeech, NAACL-HLT, NeurIPS

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