USEWOD 2016 Chairs’ Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the 6th International Workshop on Usage Analysis and the Web of Data (USEWOD), associated with WWW 2016.

The workshop is dedicated to the diverse ecosystem of Web of Data access mechanisms. From academic to government data, from complex SPARQL queries to Linked Data Fragments, from DBpedia to Wikidata: the data sources on the Web of Data and the ways in which these sources can be created and consumed vary greatly and raise fundamental questions.

The call for papers attracted submissions from United States, Canada, Asia, and Europe. The program committee reviewed and accepted the following:

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Additionally, we decided to publish an invited paper that presents a particularly interesting cross-disciplinary perspective on the Web of Data and outline current research directions and challenges in an extended ‘Message from the USEWOD Chairs’.

The USEWOD 2016 Research Dataset

As in previous years, a standard research dataset of usage data from well-recognized Web-of-Data datasets has been published to promote reproducible research on the workshop themes. A particular highlight of this year’s dataset is overlapping usage data from the official DBpedia servers as well as the Linked Data Fragments interface to DBpedia and Wikidata. This dataset allows researchers to study alternative Web of Data usage mechanisms in an unprecedented way and could therefore become a unique resource of great importance for the field. For more information on the datasets released in previous years, please see http://usewod.org/data-sets.html. Special thanks got to Open Link Software for providing us with DBpedia logs as well as Ruben Verborgh for access to Linked Data Fragments usage data.

Putting together USEWOD 2016 was a team effort. We first thank the authors for providing the content of the program. We are grateful to the program committee, who worked very hard in reviewing papers and providing feedback for authors.

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