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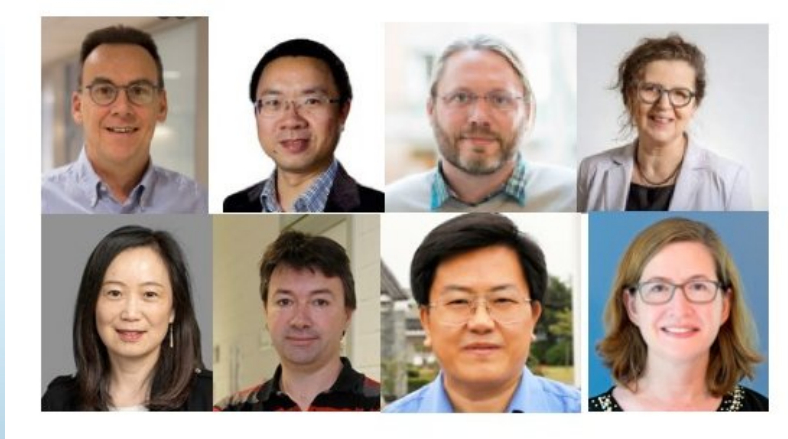
Activities

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1. *Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL) Fellow*

Eneko Agirre, Professor at the Faculty of Computer Science at the University of the Basque Country, Director of the HiTZ research center in language technology, and member of the Ixa research group in natural language processing, was selected as an Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL) fellow for his contributions to sense disambiguation, semantic similarity, automatic translation and the creation of resources for Basque. Eneko Agirre is the first researcher in Spain to receive this distinction. "This recognition is the highest in our area of knowledge, and recognizes the quality of the research we have done and are doing at our center. It is an honor to be placed next to such distinguished researchers, true leaders of our area, and in which Europeans are gradually making a name for themselves", says the new member. The ACL includes more than 4,000 researchers in computational linguistics, the branch of artificial intelligence that covers language technology and natural language processing, and edits the scientific journals and conferences of reference in the area. The prestigious Fellows program recognizes the most relevant researchers since 2011. In total it has named 74 fellows, 15 of whom work in European centers. Together with Eneko Agirre, seven other fellows were selected in 2021 from various research centers, including Huawei and the Academy of Sciences in China, the Universities of Michigan, Washington and Colby College in the United States, the University of Heidelberg in Germany, and the University of Uppsala in Sweden. ACL President Rada Mihalcea highlighted the contributions in automatic translation, semantic disambiguation, discourse analysis and multilingual processing of the eight researchers recognized in 2021.

Recipient: Eneko Agirre

2. *Premio Aritmel*

Eneko Agirre was awarded the Aritmel Prize, National Award for Computer Science SCIE-Fundación BBVA 2021. The prize recognizes outstanding scientific contributions in the field of computer engineering by Eneko "for his contributions of exceptional value in the field of natural language processing, in particular in the exploitation of large text repositories, combined with semantic networks and unsupervised learning based on neural computation, applied to automatic translation. He stands out not only for the exceptional quality of his scientific publications, some of them considered references in the field, but also for an intense transfer of the results of his research, his scientific leadership - he is the director of a prestigious research center - and his very marked international trajectory, evident both in his training, as in his collaborations and the impact of his research."

Recipient: Eneko Agirre

3. *SEPLN Prize for Best Doctoral Thesis in NLP*

The Spanish Society for Natural Language Processing awarded Mikel Artetxe SEPLN Prize for Best Doctoral Thesis for his thesis, *Unsupervised Machine Translation*.

Recipient: Mikel Artetxe

4. *2020 EurAI Doctoral Dissertation Award*

The European Association for Artificial Intelligence awarded Mikel Artetxe best European thesis in Artificial Intelligence (2020) for his thesis, *Unsupervised Machine Translation*. The prize was presented at the 2021 International Conference on Algorithms, Computing and Artificial Intelligence (ACAI).

Recipient: Mikel Artetxe

5. *SCIE-Fundación BBVA Research Prize for Young Computer Science Researchers*

Mikel Artetxe, scientific researcher at Facebook AI Research, won the SCIE-Fundación BBVA Research Prize for Young Computer Science Researchers for his high internationalization, recognized through his stays in the most important companies in the field of natural language processing and for his contributions in highly prestigious conferences.

Recipient: Mikel Artetxe

6. *Ikergazte 2021 Udalbiltza Special Prize*

Prize awarded for content analysis of the Basque Twitter community during the pandemic.

Recipients: Joseba Fernández de Landa, Iker García, Ander Salaberria, Jon Ander Campos

Activities

SEMINARS AND WEBINARS

- **NAYLA GARCÍA**
  Tools for the Analysis of Parliamentary Discourses (09/12/2021)

- **MAXUX ARANZABE**
  Terminologia akademikoaren kontsultarako sare-baliabideak (03/12/2021)

- **RODRIGO AGERRI**
  Proyecto Deepreading (02/12/2021)

- **SNEHA RAMAN**
  Enriching Disordered Speech (02/12/2021)

- **SAM BOWMAN**
  When Combating Hype, Proceed with Caution (02/12/2021)

- **ALICIA PÉREZ, EDGAR ANDRÉS, OWEN TRIGUEROS**
  Proyecto Dott-Health (25/11/2021)

- **ITZIAR ALDABE**
  Proyecto Deeptext (11/11/2021)

- **HINRICH SCHÜTZE**
  Humans Learn From Task Descriptions and So Should Our Models (04/11/2021)

- **ARANTXA OTEGI**
  Proyecto Vigicovid (29/10/2021)

- **INGE SALOMONS**
  EMG Silent Interfaces (28/10/2021)

- **BEGOÑA ALTUNA**
  Denbora-informazioa eta beste testu klinikoetan (21/10/2021)

- **ITZIAR GONZALEZ**
  Ikasketa sakona eta hizkuntzalaritzako irakurketa-taldea (14/10/2021)

- **VALENTIN LURIER**
  Signal Visualizer 2.0 (23/09/2021)

- **MISAEL MONGIOVI**
  Mining and Management of Graphs with Applications to Natural Language Processing (16/09/2021)

- **ITXASNE DÍEZ**
  Urban sounds classification using DNNs (22/07/2021)

- **OSCAR CUMBICUS**
  Adapting Neuronal Cross-Lingual Automatic Text Simplification Systems to Target Audiences (19/07/2021)

- **OLIA TOPORKOV**
  Studying the Role of Morphological Information for Contextual Lemmatization in Highly Inflected Languages (12/07/2021)

- **AITOR ORMAZABAL**
  Multilingual Representations Based on Monolingual Text (12/07/2021)

- **MARGOT MADINA**
  Evaluation of STT technologies performance and database design for Spanish dysarthric speech (08/07/2021)

- **MIKEL IRUSKIETA**
  Rhetorical Structure Theory: A Discursive Perspective for Linguistic Analysis and Applied Linguistics (08/07/2021)

- **XABIER ARREGI, IZASKUN ETXEBERRIA, ARANTXA OTEGI**
  Hitz eta pitz konputagailuarekin (06/07/2021)

- **ALBERTO BLANCO**
  Multi-Label Deep Neural Classification of EHRs in Spanish (05/07/2021)

- **IÑIGO ALONSO**
  Improving Logic Inference in Data-to-Text (05/07/2021)

- **ANDER SALABERRIA**
  Errepresentazio multimodalen ikasketa automatikoa (28/06/2021)

- **SUNA ŞEYMA**
  Sistema de búsqueda y caracterización de textos basado en tecnologías de la lengua como apoyo a contextos (14/06/2021)

- **IKER GARCÍA**
  Adquisición y explotación de conocimiento cross-lingüe (14/06/2021)

- **OSCAR SAINZ**
  Informazio-erauzketa datu urrirekin (07/06/2021)

- **UNAI ATUTXA**
  Laburpen gaitasunaren garapena eta eskolako laburpen-testuen prozesamendua (07/06/2021)

- **HEIDI CHRISTENSEN**
  Automated processing of pathological speech (17/05/2021)

- **ITZIAR ALDABE, ARANTXA OTEGI, OLATZ ARREGI**
  Hispavista (31/05/2021)

- **AINARA ESTARRONA**
  Euskara historikoaren corpus etiketatua eraikitzen (17/05/2021)

- **XABIER SARALEGI, MADDALEN LOPEZ DE LACALLE**
  Hizkuntza arteko transfer learning teknikak baliabide urriko hitzkuntzerako txatboten NLU moduluak garatzeko (10/05/2021)

- **JOSE LUIS ALBA CASTRO, CARMEN GARCÍA MATEO**
  Automatic Spanish Sign-Language Recognition: On-going Work & Challenges Ahead (06/05/2021)

- **NORA ARANBERRI**
  MT ebaluazioa (26/04/2021)

- **GORKA LABAKA**
  Proyecto TANDO (26/04/2021)

- **MAXUX ARANZABE**
  HARTAvas: Euskarazko konbinazio lexikoen azterketa ikasleen corpus akademiko batean, testu akademikoen idazketan laguntzeko tresna bat garatzeko (12/04/2021)

- **IÑIGO CASANUEVA**
  Efficient Sentence Encoders for Conversational AI in the Industry (15/03/2021)

- **ANDER BARRENA**
  EID ez-gainbegiratua eta DyslexNet sare neuronala (08/03/2021)

- **YI-LING CHUNG**
  Fighting Online Hate Speech with Counter Narratives (05/03/2021)

- **IRYNA GUREVYCH**
  Let's Argue - Understanding and Generating Natural Language Arguments (04/03/2021)

- **ARANTZA DEL POZO**
  Ahots eta hizkuntza teknologiak Vicomtech-en: Zenbait aplikazio eta proiektu esanguratsu (01/03/2021)

- **MAITE ORONOZ, XABIER SOTO, ARANTZA CASILLA, ALICIA PÉREZ**
  Osakidetza MT eta DOTT Health (22/02/2021)

- **VILJA HULDEN, MIKEL IRUSKIETA**
  A Computational Analysis of Group Representation at U.S. Congressional Hearings Since 1877 (17/02/2021)

- **RICARDO BAEZA-YATES**
  Biases on Social Media (11/02/2021)

- **GERMAN RIGAU, AINARA ESTARRONA, MIKEL IRUSKIETA**
  Proyecto INTELE (08/02/2021)

- **BEGOÑA ALTUNA**
  Proyecto E3C (08/02/2021)

- **INMA HERNÁEZ**
  Proyecto RSSint (01/02/2021)

- **KYUNGHYUN CHO**
  Unreasonably Shallow Deep Learning (29/01/2021)

- **AITOR SOROA**
  Proyecto DEEPTEXT (25/01/2021)

- **KEPA SARASOLA, ITZIAR ALDABE**
  Proyecto LINGUATEC (25/01/2021)

- **ARANTXA OTEGI**
  LIHLITH proiektuaren azken urteko lanak (18/01/2021)

- **MIKEL IRUSKIETA**
  Hezkuntza- eta hizkuntza-teknologiak lotzen: Lankidetzak eta testuingurua (11/01/2021)

WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

1. *Workshop LINGUATEC: Recursos y herramientas para el procesamiento automático de las lenguas de los Pirineos*
   Itziar Aldabe, Kepa Sarasola
   12/05/2021

2. *DeeLIO Workshop@NAACL*
   Eneko Agirre
   10/06/2021

3. *INTELE Workshop 2*
   Ainara Estarrona, Mikel Iruskieta, German Rigau
   01/07/2021

4. *CODI-DISRPT 2021: Shared Task on Discourse Processing across Formalisms*
   Mikel Iruskieta
   08/07/2021

5. *VaxxStance@IberLEF 2021: Going Beyond Text in Stance Detection*
   Rodrigo Agerri, Joseba Fernandez de Landa
   21/09/2021 - 22/09/2021

6. *SEPLN 2021*
   Jon Alkorta, Aitziber Atutxa, Koldo Gojenola, Itziar Gonzalez-Dios
   21/09/2021 - 24/09/2021

7. *Workshop CLARIAH-EUS*
   Mikel Iruskieta, Ainara Estarrona, Begoña Altuna, Xabier Arregi, Uxoa Iñurrieta, Jon Alkorta, Jose Maria Arriola, Aritz Farwell
   26/11/2021