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## | About the Conference

16th International Conference on Computational Semantics (IWCS)

Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

22-24 September 2025

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IWCS is a biennial conference on computational semantics. This year's edition is organized by Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf. The conference is endorsed by SIGSEM, the ACL Special Interest Group on Computational Semantics.

The aim of the IWCS conference is to bring together researchers interested in any aspects of the computation, annotation, extraction, representation and learning of meaning in natural language, whether this is from a lexical or structural semantic perspective. IWCS embraces both symbolic and machine learning approaches to computational semantics, and everything in between. The conference and workshops will take place 22-24 September 2025.

### Important Dates

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**September  
22-24,  
2025**

The invited speakers of IWCS 2025 are:

Oana-Maria Camburu (University College London)

Alexander Koller (Saarland University)

Denis Paperno (Utrecht University)

We invite paper submissions in all areas of computational semantics, in other words all computational aspects of meaning of natural language within written, spoken, signed, or multi-modal communication. Submissions are invited on these closely related areas:

design of meaning representations

syntax-semantics interface

representing and resolving semantic ambiguity

shallow and deep semantic processing and

reasoning

hybrid symbolic and statistical approaches to

semantics

distributional semantics

alternative approaches to compositional semantics

inference methods for computational semantics

recognising textual entailment

learning by reading

methodologies and practices for semantic

annotation

machine learning of semantic structures

probabilistic computational semantics

neural semantic parsing

computing meaning with large language models

computational aspects of lexical semantics

semantics and ontologies

semantic web and natural language processing

semantic aspects of language generation

generating from meaning representations

semantic relations in discourse and dialogue  
semantics and pragmatics of dialogue acts  
multimodal and grounded approaches to  
computing meaning  
semantics-pragmatics interface  
applications of computational semantics

## SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Two types of submission are solicited: long papers and short papers. Both types should be submitted no later than 06 June 2025 (anywhere on earth).

Long papers should describe original research and must not exceed 8 pages. Short papers (typically system or project descriptions, or ongoing research) must not exceed 4 pages.

Acknowledgments, references, a limitations section (optional), an ethics statement (optional), and a technical appendix (optional, not subject to reviewing) do not count towards the page limit.

Accepted papers get an extra page in the camera-ready version and will be published in the conference proceedings in the ACL Anthology. For inclusion in the proceedings, at least one author must register to the conference and present the paper in person. Papers will be accepted either for oral presentation or for a poster presentation.

Submissions should be fully anonymous to ensure double-blind reviewing.

Style-files

IWCS 2025 papers should be formatted following the common two-column structure as used by IWCS 2021 (borrowed from ACL 2021). Please use these specific style-files or the Overleaf template.

Style files:

<https://iwcs2021.github.io/download/iwcs2021-templates.zip>

Overleaf template:

<https://www.overleaf.com/latex/templates/instructions-for-iwcs-2021-proceedings/fpnsyxqqpfbw>

Submitting

Papers should be submitted in PDF format.

Submission link: <https://openreview.net/group?id=IWCS/2025/Conference>

Please contact the program chairs if you have problems using OpenReview.

No anonymity period

IWCS 2025 does not have an anonymity period. However, we ask you to be reasonable and not publicly advertise your preprint during (or right before) review.

Double submission policy

Papers that have been or will be submitted to

other meetings or publications must indicate this at submission time. Authors of papers accepted for presentation at IWCS 2025 must notify the program chairs by the camera-ready deadline as to whether the paper will be presented. All accepted papers must be presented at the conference to appear in the proceedings. We will not accept for publication or presentation papers that overlap significantly in content or results with papers that will be (or have been) published elsewhere.

## IMPORTANT DATES

All dates are anywhere on earth.

Paper submission: 06 June 2025

Notification of acceptance: 01 August 2025

Camera-ready due: 22 August 2025

IWCS conference: 22-24 September 2025

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### TOPICS OF INTEREST

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Research papers are invited in, but not limited to, the following areas:

Computer Science  
◦ & Software  
Engineering

Uncategorized

Artificial  
◦ Intelligence &  
Machine Learning