

DEPARTMENT OF KNOWLEDGE TECHNOLOGIES

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The Department of Knowledge Technologies performs research in advanced information technologies, aimed at acquiring, storing and managing knowledge to be used in the development of knowledge-based applications. The established areas of knowledge technologies include intelligent data analysis (machine learning, data mining, knowledge discovery in databases), text and web mining, the semantic web, social network analysis, language technologies and computational linguistics, as well as decision support and knowledge management. The research areas of the department also include Web 2.0, the management of virtual organizations, new media and e-science. In addition to knowledge technologies research, we also develop applications in environmental sciences and ecology, medicine and health care, biomedicine and genetics, as well as the economy and marketing.

In 2008 the Knowledge Technologies research programme was evaluated as the best research programme in ICT (for the period 2004–2008) by the Slovenian Research Agency (ARRS). In terms of our collaboration in EU projects, our programme group is the most successful in Slovenia. In 2004–2008 we collaborated in 28 FP6 and FP7 projects, the most important being our successful coordination of the STREP project “Inductive Queries for Mining Patterns and Models” (IQ) and our collaboration in six large Integrated Projects (IPs) and two Networks of Excellence (NoEs).

In the area of **intelligent data analysis** we have developed a conceptual framework of supervised descriptive rule induction and have shown that methods for subgroup discovery, contrast set mining and emerging pattern mining represent special cases of supervised descriptive rule induction methods. An algorithm for closed-sets mining was published in the prestigious Journal of Machine Learning Research. A lemmatizer for Slovene, constructed by the Ripple-Down rule learning algorithm, was published in the journal AI Communications. We have continued the development of semantic data mining, which enables the use of ontologies in machine learning. On the one hand, ontologies can be used as background knowledge of the application domain (our paper published in the Journal of Biomedical Informatics presents the analysis of gene expression based on the ontology of gene functions, processes and interactions). On the other hand, an ontology of data mining methods can be used for the automated planning of data-mining workflows in the framework of a novel service-oriented data-mining architecture (three workshop papers were published and a workshop, Service-Oriented Knowledge Discovery, was organized at the ECML/PKDD-08 conference in Antwerp in September 2008). In collaboration with the National Institute of Biology, Ljubljana, Slovenia, we have continued the development of a cost-optimization system for microarray testing for genetically modified organisms in food and feed samples.

We have developed a model of the Slovenian Health Care network for the Ministry of Health of Slovenia in the scope of the MediNet and MediNet+ projects. In 2008, the project results were upgraded with a web portal that enables querying for analysis results and which offers numerous reporting and visualization facilities. As a result, it can be used to support decision making, monitoring and planning of the Slovenian health-care network.

We successfully concluded the coordination of the FP6 project “Inductive Queries for Mining Patterns and Models” (IQ), which was concerned with developing techniques and applications for inductive databases and queries. Besides data, inductive databases contain generalizations (patterns and models) valid in the data, which are generated, accessed and manipulated by inductive queries. In its final evaluation, the IQ project received much praise, both for its outstanding scientific content and our excellent management. Among our scientific contributions to the project, we wish to highlight the proposed general framework for data mining, which has led to the development of an ontology for data mining. We have also developed many specific approaches to mining complex data, such as ensembles of decision trees for hierarchical multi-label classification, which were applied to



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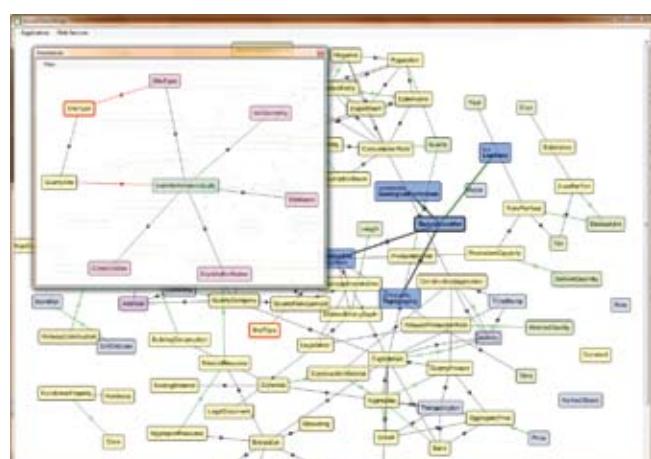
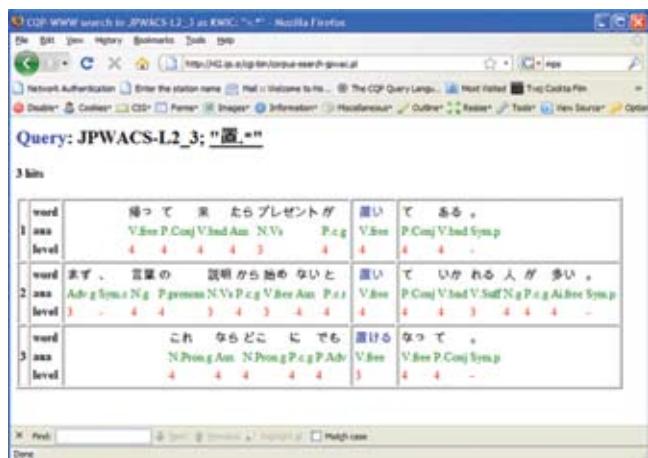


Figure 1: The main window of Visual OntoBridge: the software being developed by our department in the European project SWING. The software provides facilities for annotating web resources with entities from the domain ontology with the purpose of establishing semantic descriptions based on a common vocabulary.



Query: JPWACS-L2_3; "西."

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word	例文	語句
1 西	帰つて 東 たら プレゼントが 無い て ある。	V.Bee P.Conj VInd Aan N.Vs P.g V.See P.Conj VInd Sym.p
2 西	まず、 言葉の 読解 から始めないと 無い て いかれる 人が 多い。	Adv g Sym.z N.g P.read N.Vs P.c.g V.Bee Aan P.tz V.See P.Conj VInd V.Staff N.g P.g All Bee Sym.p
3 西	これ なら どこ に でも 聞ける なつて。	N.Pron g Aan N.Pron g P.c.g V.Bee V.See P.Conj Sym.p

Figure 2: An example of concordances for the corpus targeted at learners of Japanese. Available at <http://nl.jjs.si/jaslo/cqp/>.

The successfully completed IQ project, which we coordinated, received much praise from the EU reviewers for outstanding scientific content and excellent management.



Figure 3: Prototype speech synthesiser developed in the project “BMT: development of a text speech reader for mobile telephones for blind and partially sighted users”.

to SIGMEA with a publication in the journal Ecological Modelling, where we described our model for the assessment of the ecological and economic impacts of growing GM maize. In the ongoing Co-Extra project we have developed three multi-criteria models for the assessment of analytical and sampling methods, as well as for the assessment of the likelihood of the emergence of unapproved GM organisms in food and feed products. In the EU project HEALTHREATS, which aims to develop a decision-support system for the rapid, efficient and coordinated response to threats to health (such as epidemics), we have developed models for an internal evaluation of the work and the results of the project.

In the area of **text and web mining** our work in the FP6 project “Statistical Multilingual Analysis for Retrieval and Translation” (SMART) was focused on testing and using our automatic evaluation system (of machine translation and cross lingual information retrieval) by the project partners, coordination of a user-evaluation study (with different user groups, tasks, datasets and evaluation measures) and an extension of the KCCA method for cross-lingual data analysis in terms of scalability and performance in collaboration with the FP6 project PASCAL. The developed component was integrated into the existing system for contextual search SearchPoint and applied to the problem of cross-lingual information retrieval (demo at SIGIR-2008). As a part of our activities in the FP6 project “Image-based Navigation in Multimedia Archives” (IMAGINATION) we have developed software components to help enrich the existing textual metadata. In particular, the developed software components support three functionalities: (1) annotations of images, (2) discovery of duplicate candidates for ontology concepts and (3) proposing new concepts and relations between them. (1) The annotation of images is based on using textual information that is provided for each image in order to annotate the image with concepts of a predefined ontology. Each image has a very limited amount of text associated with it, usually just a handful of keywords. In some cases additional content is provided via a link to external web pages. Thus, in the proposed approach we handle these two cases separately. (2) The discovery of potential duplicates in an ontology is based on representing each ontology concept by text that can be associated with it, originating either from the concept name and metadata, from external web pages or from the name of an associated URL. (3) The proposing of new ontology concepts and some relations between them is based on using external web pages providing information on particular concepts.

We have successfully concluded two FP6 projects, PASCAL and KDUBiq, where our research in the past year included (1) the development of the visualization of named entities in time based on the use of Wikipedia for extracting named entities and relating them over time, (2) the development of SearchPoint – a system for interfacing an existing search engine that

In 2008 we started to collaborate in eight new EU projects (3 IPs, 2 STREPs, 1 NoE, 1 CSA) and acquired about 30% of the Slovenian FP7 ICT funds (over €2.5 m), which makes our department one of the most successful in Europe and by far the most successful in Slovenia.

organizes its results into groups or shows the search results in the context of some existing ontology or classification schema, and (3) the development of Semantic Pointer – a system for social browsing with semantic context that enables real-time identification of the visitors to semantically similar web pages and real-time interaction between them. We have obtained a new FP7 Network of Excellence “Pattern Analysis, Statistical Modelling and Computational Learning 2” (PASCAL2) for the period 2008–2013 where our work will be mainly on research in text mining and natural language processing.

In the area of the **Semantic Web** we have successfully concluded two National Targeted Research projects on “Statistical Semantic Web Systems” (Sistemi za statistični semantični splet) and “Metaservices – Semantic Reasoning Grid Services” (MetaStoritev - Semantično sklapljanje Grid storitev, 2006–2008), where our main contributions are: the development of methods and components for (1) knowledge acquisition, (2) cross-modal data analysis, (3) handling cross-lingual data and several support components for (4) supporting scalability, visualization and evaluation. Our activities in the FP6 project “Lifecycle Support for Networked Ontologies” (NeOn) in the past year resulted in an extension of the NeOn Toolkit with: (1) an alignment server incorporating our pragmatic approach to using large-scale ontologies as contexts (based on a lightweight ontology model and grounding of the ontology concepts in textual documents), (2) a system for ontology visualization in the context of a predefined landscape. Work in the FP6 project “Transitioning Applications to Ontologies” (TAO) resulted in a methodology for cross-modal data analysis focused on connecting textual data and graph/network. We have also designed an evaluation of the methodology on three real-world case studies. In the FP6 project “Semantic Web Services Interoperability for Geospatial Decision Making” (SWING) we have developed the semantic annotation engine OntoBridge and designed several evaluation scenarios on real-world data. We have obtained a new large FP7 IP project “Enabling the Knowledge Powered Enterprise” (ACTIVE) for the period 2008–2011, where our work is mainly in the direction of modelling informal knowledge processes in an organization.

We represent the Jožef Stefan Institute in the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C), which develops and recommends future web standards. We actively participate in the Rule Interchange Format (RIF) working group. The group has so far produced a working draft and last-call recommendations for a number of standards: RIF Core, Basic Logic Dialect, Framework for Logic Dialects, RDF and OWL Compatibility, Datatypes and Built-Ins, Production Rules Dialect, Use Cases and Requirements.

In the area of **knowledge management** we have successfully concluded three FP6 research projects: “European collaborative networked organizations leadership initiative” (ECOLEAD), “Extended Enterprise management in Enlarged Europe” (E4) and “Open Source Enterprise Resource Planning and Order Management System for Eastern European Tool and Die Making Workshops” (Tool-East). The project results have already been transferred to new projects as well as to industrial applications for KOGAST, EMO, the High-Tech cluster, the Toolmakers cluster and the Slovenian automotive cluster. We are continuing the R&D work in the areas of networked organizations, interoperability and collaboration in the FP7 integrated project “Collaboration and INteroperability for networked enterprises” (COIN). We are very successful in the development of Intelligent Cargo Transport in the FP7 project “European Inter-Disciplinary Research on Intelligent Cargo for Efficient, Safe and Environment-friendly Logistics” (EURIDICE), where we have already demonstrated some prototypes and in the FP7 project “Enabling the Knowledge Powered Enterprise” (ACTIVE) with the tools and methods for enterprise “hidden” knowledge formalization.

In the area of **language technologies** we have continued work on the basic research project “Linguistic annotation of Slovene language: methods and resources” (JOS) in the scope of which we are developing automatic inductive methods for the annotation of morphosyntax, syntax and semantics and use these methods to produce freely available linguistically annotated corpora of Slovene.

We finished work on the SEE.ERA-NET project “Building Language Resources and Translation Models for Machine Translation focused on South Slavic and Balkan Languages”, where we produced a parallel and linguistically annotated corpus of EU legal documents, which contains aligned texts in English, Slovene, Serbian, Bulgarian and Romanian.

Our knowledge transfer to industry is demonstrated by the help given to twelve Slovenian companies in becoming partners of EU projects, thus securing approximately €2 m of co-financing.

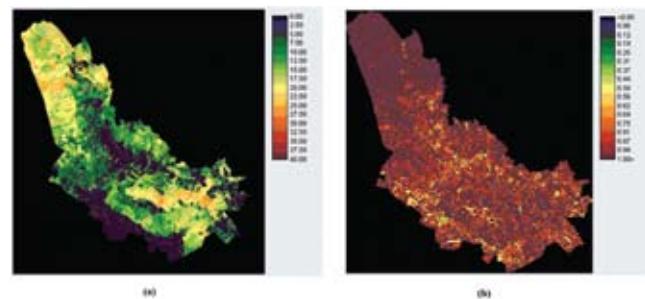


Figure 4: Forest-vegetation height in m (a) and canopy cover in % (b) for the Slivnica region of Slovenia, as predicted from satellite images by ensembles of predictive models learned from a combination of 2D satellite images and 3D LIDAR data.

The Videolectures.net web portal, which we co-manage with the CT3 department, has started to host lectures from the MIT portal “Open Course Ware” and the Opencast community.

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The software we developed is used by the EU Commission, the New York Times, Microsoft and many other international companies.

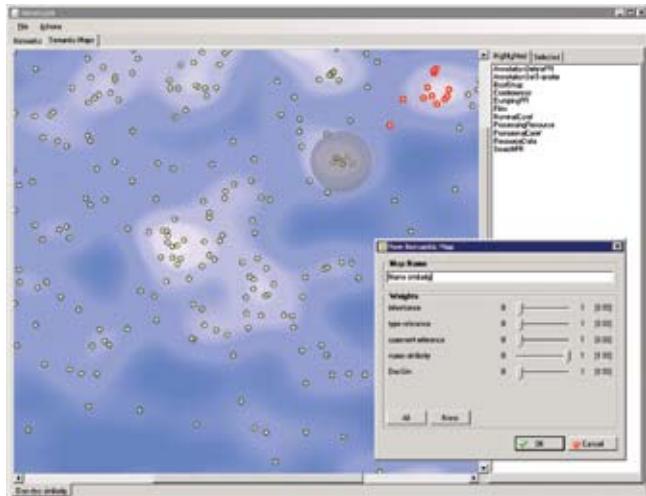


Figure 5: OntoSight: visualization of software components (specifically, Java classes) in the form of a semantic map. This visualization is made by projecting high-dimensional multi-modal data instances onto a 2D canvas by employing multi-dimensional scaling (MDS) and a least-squares solver. The projection preserves distances between instances as much as possible.

We have successfully completed work on a six-month R&D project from the area of eContent and eServices “BMT: development of a text speech reader for mobile telephones for blind and partially sighted users” under the coordination of the company Alpineon R&D, where the JSI was in charge of the development of a morphosyntactic tagger and lemmatiser that improves the quality of the speech synthesis. For Alpineon we also completed the XML_FED project, where we developed the XML specifications for use with a speech synthesiser.

We started work on several new EU projects. In the scope of the project “Conceptual Modelling of Networking of Centres for High-Quality Research in Slavic Lexicography and Their Digital Resources” (MondiLex) and in cooperation with the F-9 department we are investigating the possibilities of using grid technologies for the processing and dissemination of large corpora. In the project “Fostering Language Resources Network” (FlareNet) we are working on the compilation of language resources for Slovene.

In the scope of the bilateral Japanese-Slovenian cooperation with Tokyo International University, we compiled, on the basis of the previously produced jpWaC corpus, a corpus of sentences appropriate for learners of Japanese, where the words are annotated with their difficulty level. The corpus is freely available for use via a web concordance.

Some outstanding publications in the past three years

1. John Davies (Ed.), Marko Grobelnik (Ed.), Dunja Mladenčić (Ed.). Semantic Knowledge Management: Integrating Ontology Management, Knowledge Discovery, and Human Language Technologies. Springer, 2008.
2. Igor Trajkovski, Nada Lavrač, Jakub Tolar. SEGS: search for enriched gene sets in microarray data. *Journal of biomedical informatics*, 2008, vol. 41, no. 4, pp. 588-601.
3. Gemma C. Garriga, Petra Kralj Novak, Nada Lavrač. Closed sets for labeled data. *Journal of machine learning research*, 2008, vol. 9, no. 4, pp. 559-580.
4. Sašo Džeroski, Ljupčo Todorovski. Equation discovery for systems biology: finding the structure and dynamics of biological networks from time course data. *Current opinion in biotechnology*, 2008, 19: 360-368.
5. Marko Bohanec, Antoine Messean, Sara Scatista, Frédérique Angevin, Bryan Griffiths, Paul Henning Krogh, Martin Žnidarsič, Sašo Džeroski. A qualitative multi-attribute model for economic and ecological assessment of genetically modified crops. *Ecol. model.*, 2008, vol. 215, no. 1/3, pp. 247-261.

Awards and appointments

1. Sašo Džeroski, ECCAI fellow – ECCAI award. Awarded by European Coordination Committee for Artificial Intelligence

Organization of conferences, congress and meetings

1. Information Society 2008, organization of subconferences: SiKDD-2007, Intelligent Systems, 13-17 Oct. 2008

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

1. Systems Biology of Phagosome Formation and Maturation, Modulation by Intracellular Pathogens
PHAGOSYS
7. FP, 223451, HEALTH-F4-2008-223451
EC; Anne-Marie Fish, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, London, Great Britain
Prof. Sašo Džeroski
2. Bisociation Networks for Creative Information Discovery
BISON
7. FP, 211898
EC; Universität Konstanz, Konstanz, Germany
Prof. Nada Lavrač
3. Conceptual Modelling of Networking of Centres for High-Quality Research in Slavic Lexicography and Their Digital Resources
MONDILEX
7. FP, 211938

EC; Institute of Mathematics and Informatics of the Bulgarian Academy of Science, Sofia, Bulgaria

Asst. Prof. Tomaž Erjavec, Jan Jona Javoršek, B. Sc.

4. Enabling the Knowledge Powered Enterprise

ACTIVE

7. FP, 215040

EC; Philip Hewitt, British Telecommunications plc, London, Great Britain
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5. Pattern Analysis, Statistical Modelling and Computational Learning 2

PASCAL 2

7. FP, 216886

EC; Eileen Simon, University of Southampton, Highfield, Southampton, Great Britain
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6. European Inter-Disciplinary Research on Intelligent Cargo for Efficient, Safe and Environment-friendly Logistics

EURIDICE

7. FP, 216271

EC; INSIEL - Informatica per il Sistema degli Enti Locali s.p.a, Trieste, Italy
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7. Collaboration and INteroperability for networked enterprises
COIN
7. FP, 216256
EC; Claudia Guglielmina, TXT e-Solutions Spa, Milano, Italy
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8. GM and non-GM supply chains: their CO-Existence and TRAceability
Co-Extra
6. FP, 007158
EC; Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique, Paris, France
Prof. Marko Bohanec
9. European Embryonal Tumor Pipeline
E.E.T. -Pipeline
6. FP, 037260
EC; Angelika Eggert, Universitaet Duisburg-Essen, Essen, Germany
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10. Stimulating Policy Debate on Women and Science Issues in Central Europe
WS DEBATE
6. FP, 036651
EC; Dr. Dora Groo, Eszter Papp, Hungarian Science and Technology Foundation; Tudomanyos es Technologial Alapitvany, Budapest, Hungary
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11. Statistical Multilingual Analysis for Retrieval and Translation
SMART
6. FP, 033917
EC; Nicola Cancedda, Xerox Research Centre Europe, Meylan; Xerox, Aulnay-sous-Bois, France
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12. Image-based Navigation in Multimedia Archives
IMAGINATION
6. FP, 034626
EC; Clemens van Dinther, Forschungszentrum Informatik an der Universitat Karlsruhe, Karlsruhe, Germany
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13. Extended Enterprise Management in Enlarged Europe
E4
6. FP, 027282
EC; Roberto Tarditi, Centro Ricerche Fiat Societa Consortile per Azioni, Orbassano (TO), Italy
Asst. Prof. Dunja Mladenčič, Marko Grobelnik, B. Sc., Mitja Jermol, M. Sc.
14. Open Source Enterprise Resource Planning and Order Management System for Eastern European Tool and Die Making Workshop
Tool-East
6. FP, 027802
EC; dr.ing. Volker Stich, Forschungsinstitut fuer Rationalisierung (FIR) and der RWTH Aachen, Research Institute for Operations Management at Aachen University, Aachen, Germany
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15. Semantic Web Services Interoperability for Goespacial Decision Making
SWING
6. FP, 026514
EC; Arne J. Berre, SINTEF - Stiftelsen for Industriell OG Teknisk Forskning Ved Norges Tekniske Hoegskole, Trondheim; SINTEF ICT, Oslo, Norway
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16. Lifecycle Support for Networked Ontologies
NEON
6. FP, 027595
EC; Prof. Enrico Motta, Kmi, The Open University, Milton Keynes, Great Britain
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17. Transitioning Applications to Ontologies
TAO
6. FP, 026460
EC; Dr. Kalina Bontcheva, University of Sheffield, Department of Computer Science, Sheffield, Great Britain
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18. Inductive Queries for Mining Patterns and Models
IQ
6. FP, 516169
EC; Prof. Sašo Džeroski, Institut "Jožef Stefan", Ljubljana, Slovenia
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19. European Collaborative networked Organizations LEADership initiative
ECOLEAD
6. FP, 506958
EC; Martin Ollus, Technical Research Centre of Finland, Espoo, Finland
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20. Pattern Analysis, Statistical Modelling and Computational Learning
PASCAL
6. FP, 506778
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21. KD-ubiq - A Blueprint for Ubiquitous Knowledge Discovery Systems
KD-ubiq
6. FP, 021321
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22. Integrated Decision Support System for HEALTH THREATS and Crises Management
HEALTHTHREATS
Public Health program (PHEA), e-Contentplus
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EC; Executive Agency for Public Health (PHEA - HTC), Luksembourg; Azienda Sanitaria Locale di Brescia (ASL Brescia), Brescia, Italy
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23. Fostering Language Resources Network
FLaReNet
e-Contentplus
ECP-2007-LANG-617001
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24. Building Language Resources and Translation Models for Machine Translation focused on South Slavic and Balkan Languages
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25. The Use of a Dedicated Service on the Http Server of IJS <http://nl.ijs.si> to be used by FP for Up-loading and Storing Texts which Constitute the FP Corpus of IX Century Translated Books
Forschungsprojekt: Deutsch-slowenische/kroatische Übersetzung 1848 bis 1918
Agreement, dated 3.5.2007
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26. Information Fusion for Data Mining in Bioinformatics and Biomedicine
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27. Inductive Databases for Genomics and Proteomics
BI-HR/07-08-029
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28. Japanese/Slovene Resources for Second Language Learners
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29. Knowledge Discovery for Ecological Modeling of Lake Ecosystems
BI-MK/07-08-017
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30. Landscape Functioning under Different Management Regimes
LANDECO
SCRI Living Technology, Dundee, Scotland, Great Britain
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31. Analysis of Dynamic Networks with Graph and Text Mining Methods
BI-US/06-07-032
Faloutsos Christos, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, USA
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R & D GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

1. Advanced ML methods for automated modeling of dynamic systems
Prof. Sašo Džeroski
2. Linguistic annotation of Slovene language: methods and resources
Asst. Prof. Tomaž Erjavec
3. Methodological aspects of cognitive process research-learning and decision-making
Prof. Andrej Ule, Prof. Marko Bohanec
4. Unknown 17th and 18th century manuscripts of Slovenian literature: information-technology aided register, scholarly editions and analyses
Dr. Matija Ogrin, Asst. Prof. Tomaž Erjavec
5. Slovene Terminology Web Portal
Prof. Vojko Gorjanc, Simon Krek
6. Methodology for producing a detailed digital map of the height and density of vegetation cover
Prof. Sašo Džeroski
7. VoiceTRAN II - Multilingual mobile speech communicator for 21.th century warriors
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8. Crisis management simulator
Dr. Matej Penca, Asst. Prof. Dunja Mladenčič
9. Development of Knowledge Management System for SV
Asst. Prof. Jaroslav Berce, Marko Grobelnik
10. Statistical semantic web systems
Asst. Prof. Dunja Mladenčič
11. Metaservices - Semantic reasoning Grid services
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12. Digital text centre with multimedia communication
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13. Harmonisation of technologies for following genetically modified organisms in food and feed production chain and its co-existence with conventional and ecological production chains
Asst. Prof. Vladimir Meglič, Prof. Nada Lavrač
14. Guidelines for national strategy of preservation of forest trees genefond due to introduction of genetically modified organisms in agriculture
Dr. Robert Brus, Prof. Marko Debeljak
15. Harmful factors for contemporary forests: methods for monitoring and ecological modelling, the impact of exploitation, and strategies for management
Prof. Maja Jurc, Prof. Sašo Džeroski
16. Analysis and scenario of development and exploration of forests in Slovenia
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17. Influence of gene transfer, genetic diversity and cultivation technology on sustainability and tracing methods
Asst. Prof. Vladimir Meglič, Prof. Marko Debeljak
18. European Uniform System for Linking Digital Information of Public Nature: DUNE
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5. Prof. Joost Kok, Leiden University, Leiden, The Netherlands, 21-24 Jan. 2008
6. Prof. John Shaw Taylor, School of Electronics and Computer Science, University of Southampton, Southampton, United Kingdom, 31 Jan. 2008
7. Dr Hendrich Blockeel, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, 4-8 Feb. 2008
8. Prof. Suzana Loskovska, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information, Skopje, Macedonia, 15-22 Feb. 2008
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12. Christophe Schwartz, ENSAIA/INRA Nancy, France, 25-29 Feb. 2008
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14. Rayid Ghani, Accenture Labs, Chicago, USA, 14 Mar. 2008
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16. doc. dr. Kosta Mitreski, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information, Skopje, Macedonia, 16-23 Mar. 2008
17. Andreja Naumoski, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information, Skopje, Macedonia, 16-23 Mar. 2008
18. dr. Paul B. Losiewicz, European Office of Aerospace Research and Development, United Kingdom, 21-22 Apr. 2008
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