LocWeb2017 Chairs’ Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to LocWeb2017, the 7th International Workshop on Location and the Web, held at WWW 2017. This is the seventh workshop in its series, having previously been held at WWW (LocWeb 2008), CHI (LocWeb 2009), IoT (LocWeb 2010), CIKM (LocWeb 2014), and WWW (LocWeb 2015 and LocWeb2016).

LocWeb continues following its main objective of bringing together a community of researchers at the intersection of location-based services and Web architecture, serving as a unique venue to integrate different backgrounds, stimulating the exchange of ideas and fostering closer cooperation. LocWeb provides a topic-specific venue where researchers from different fields, be it data mining, recommendation, search, systems, services, social media, applications, or standards, can discuss and develop the role of location. Its focus lies in Web-scale services and systems facilitating location-aware information access. We aim for a highly interactive, collaborative workshop with ample room for discussion that will advance the geospatial topic and promote challenging research questions.

The location topic is understood as a crosscutting issue concerning information access, semantics and standards, and Web-scale systems and services. The workshop establishes an integrated venue where the location aspect is discussed in depth within an interested community. LocWeb follows the main theme of Location-Aware Information Access, with subtopics related to (i) geospatial semantics, systems, and standards; (ii) large-scale geospatial and geo-social ecosystems; (iii) mobility; (iv) location in the Web of Things; and (v) mining and searching geospatial data on the Web.

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We encourage WWW attendees to attend the LocWeb presentation and discussion sessions. The detailed programme will be available on the workshop website: http://dhere.de/locweb2017/programme/

Putting together LocWeb 2017 was a team effort. We thank the authors for providing the content of the workshop as well as the program committee who worked very hard in reviewing papers and providing substantial feedback for authors on a tight deadline.

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