Research efforts involving several disciplines in particularly computer science and engineering are going beyond expectations but in many occasions remain at a theoretical level. It goes without saying that one of the primary purposes of research is the application of knowledge to serve the global society. Many companies are learning that in order to further their growth and innovation they need to partner with scientists and researchers to develop proper mechanisms that convey the emerging advances of modern research. With this in mind, ICAR’17 aims to bring together scientists of the computer science and engineering disciplines to share and exchange knowledge, experience and results, particularly in applied research that may help meet the needs of local industries and academic institutions. The ICAR’17 is more than just an international conference, but rather an academic platform, to discuss research and publications among young and talented students, scientists, engineers, and professionals. It offers an opportunity for participants to meet with experts and discuss cutting-edge approaches, insights that address the revolutionary aspects of nowadays technologies. ICAR’17 will include keynote sessions hosting international experts to present and discuss state-of-the-art technologies and techniques, research sessions allowing researchers to present their research results, a tutorial session and a poster session allowing selected computer science and computer engineering students to present and promote their final year projects.

Thursday, June 22 and Friday, June 23 2017
Starting 9:00 a.m.
Université Antoine, Hadat-Baabda

The organizing committee encourages students, academics and professionals who are willing to attend ICAR’17, to register online through the website icar17.sigappfr.org noting that the registration is free of charge for both authors and participants.

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## Preliminary Program

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Opening Ceremony (F. Rajeh Hall) 9:30 AM – 10:15 AM

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Keynote Lecture 1: Prof. Chris Clifton (F. Rajeh Hall) 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Session Chair: Bechara AL Bouna

Title: Dealing with Discriminatory Data Mining

Abstract: There is growing evidence that algorithms running on "Big Data" can lead to outcomes that are biased against underrepresented groups. This is in spite of the fact that such group information (race, gender, religion, etc.) is not used by the algorithms.

This talk will discuss some of the issues, pointing out evidence, and hypothesize causes. We will then look at one solution, based on adapting a Bayesian network classifier to reduce disparate impact on groups that are treated “differently” by the originally learned classifier.

This talk is based on work with Koray Mancuhan that appeared in Artificial Intelligence and Law (2014) 22:211-238.

Biography: Dr. Clifton is a Professor of Computer Science at Purdue University. He works on data privacy, particularly with respect to analysis of private data. From 2013-2016, Dr. Clifton served as a program director at the National Science Foundation. Prior to joining Purdue in 2001, he was a principal scientist in the Information Technology Division at the MITRE Corporation. Before joining MITRE in 1995, he was an assistant professor of computer science at Northwestern University.

Session 1 (F. Rajeh Hall) 11:45 AM – 1:00 PM

Session Chair: Ramzi Haraty

Paper 1: Multimodal Shortest Path Algorithm for Carsharing Systems with Operation Area Constraint

Wesam Herbawi and Stefan Landsbek

Paper 2: Sharing nogoods between discsp algorithms

Ghizlane El Khattabi, Benelallam Imade and Bouyakhf El Houssine

Paper 3: Upgraded SemIndex Prototype for Semantic Indexing and Querying of Textual Data


Paper 4: Managing Social Networking Applications: a Game Theoretic Approach

Sam Sleiman and Mariette Awad

Keynote Lecture 2: Prof. Lakhdar Sais (Room G 3.7) 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Session Chair: Elias Doumith

Title: Building Bridges between Data Mining and Artificial Intelligence

Abstract: In this talk, we overview our contributions to data mining and more generally to the cross-fertilization between data mining, constraint programming and propositional satisfiability (http://www.cril.univ-artois.fr/decMining/). We will focus on three contributions. First, we show how propositional satisfiability (SAT) can be used to model and solve problems in data mining. As an illustration, we present a SAT-based declarative approach for itemset, association rules and sequences mining. Then, we present an original use of data mining techniques to compress Boolean formulas. Finally, we discuss how symmetries widely investigated in Constraint Programming (CP) and Propositional Satisfiability (SAT) can be extended to deal with data mining problems. In this talk, we overview our contributions to data mining and more generally to the cross-fertilization between data mining, constraint programming and propositional satisfiability (http://www.cril.univ-artois.fr/decMining/). We will focus on three contributions. First, we show how propositional satisfiability (SAT) can be used to model and solve problems in data mining. As an illustration, we present a SAT-based declarative approach for itemset, association rules and sequences mining. Then, we present an original use of data mining techniques to compress Boolean formulas. Finally, we discuss how symmetries widely investigated in Constraint Programming (CP) and Propositional Satisfiability (SAT) can be extended to deal with data mining problems.

Biography: Lakhdar Sais obtained an engineering degree in computer science in 1988 from the National Institute on Computer Science ("Université de Tizi-Ouzou", Algeria), a Ph.D ("Doctorat") in 1993 from the "Université de Provence" (Marseille) and an "Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches" from the "Université d’Artois" in 2000. In 1994, he joined the "IUT de Lens" as a lecturer ("Maitre de conférences") at the beginning of the creation of the CRIL research center ("Centre de Recherche en Informatique de Lens"). Before his current position as a professor at CRIL-CNRS "Université d’Artois", he spent one year as a professor at IRIT ("Université Paul Sabatier") (Toulouse, France). He spent two years as a researcher at INRIA Lille and CNRS. He is the founding-member and the leader (from 2002 - 2013) of the inference and decision process group at CRIL - CNRS. He is currently the Delegate director of the CRIL laboratory. His research focuses on search and representation problems in Artificial Intelligence. He is especially interested in propositional satisfiability, quantified boolean formula, constraint programming and
Session 2 (Room G 3.7) 3:15 PM - 5:00 PM

Session Chair: Youssef Bou Issa

Paper 1: BicOPT: Biochips Data Clustering algorithm
Faouzi Mhamdi and Ahmed Zammali

Paper 2: PIN tool for Intelligent Nutrition Assessment and Meal Planning
George Salloum, Elie Semaan and Joe Tekli

Paper 3: MUSC prototype for Music Sentiment-based Composition
Ralph Abboud and Joe Tekli

Paper 4: GIS-Based Network Analysis for the Roads Network of the Greater Cairo Area
Sayed Ahmed, Romani Farid Ibrahim and Hesham A. Hefny

Tutorial Session 1 (Room G 2.7) 3:15 PM - 5:00 PM

Session Chair: Tony Makdissy

Speakers:
Stéphane Bazan, Head of Knowledge & Learning, Keeward Group
Constantin Nicolaou, System Architect, Keeward Group
Nicolas Charabaty, Lead Backend Engineer

Title: Adding sense to data: How to implement a Metadata strategy?

Abstract: Metadata management is essential to provide solid grounds for large information frameworks. This session will explain the different approaches and tools to build a coherent, consistent metadata strategy. Participants will be presented with different scenarios and will have to participate in a real life example of metadata implementation.

Keeward Group is a technology company focused on the long tail in the media, art and culture industries. Through its platform, Keeward creates value at the intersection of innovation and diversity, leveraging the entire value chain: from digital and physical distribution to content creation, machine learning and big data. Over the last 10 years, Keeward Group has brought together a family of companies who share this same focus. We do this through our in-depth expertise across a range of specializations (project management, design, development, marketing, content creation, knowledge sharing, to name a few) and by identifying creative clusters in cities around the world where we nurture young businesses, as well as creative talents, who bring value to our platform.

Maximum number of attendees: 30
Keynote Lecture 3: Prof. Saïd Tazi (Room G 3.7) 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Session Chair: Ahmed Mostefaoui

Title: Semantic Interoperability for Smart IoT

Abstract: With the advent of the Internet of Things (IoT), we are facing a proliferation of connected devices distributed over physical locations. The area is a domain that requires not only development of infrastructure but also deployment of new services capable of supporting multiple, scalable (cloud-based) and interoperable (multi-domain) applications. In the race of designing IoT as part of the Future Internet architecture, academia and Information and Communication Technology (ICT) industry communities have realized that a common IoT problem to be tackled is the interoperability of the information and services. In this talk we will review the most recent trends and challenges on interoperability, and a discussion on how semantic technologies and information models can support data interoperability in the design of the Future Internet, taking the IoT and Cloud Computing as reference examples of application domains. This talk will also describe on-going research leaded by the author at LAAS related to the challenge of semantic interoperability for IoT.

Biography: Dr Saïd Tazi is Senior Researcher at LAAS-CNRS and Associate Professor at University of Toulouse Capitole. He obtained his PhD doctorate from Paul Sabatier University in 1985. He conducted research on Human Computer Interaction and Artificial Intelligence at LIHS laboratory from 1985 to 2003. He participated to the foundation of the ACM SIG-CHI Local Chapter of Toulouse and chaired it from 1998 to 2000. He joined the LAAS-CNRS laboratory in 2003.

The main topics of his current research activities include:

- Autonomic Computing adapted to IoT and Cloud computing.
- Semantic and context driven adaptation.
- Semantic interoperability of connected objects.
- Negotiation of services and resources in the cloud.

He has been invited to several Universities e.g. Santa Catarina University, Florianópolis, Brazil in 2005; University of Western Ontario, London, Canada, in September 2012 and Northeastern University, Boston MA in 2016.

He served as Chair of IEEE-ICHSL in 2008. He was co-chair of MADYNE Track within the IEEE WITICE Conference from 2012 to 2016. He is co-Chair of the track Advances in Web Technologies, Semantics and Future Internet (FI) in the framework of IEEE AICCSA, 2017 and he is co-chair of the ISCIA (Intelligent Systems for Cloud and Smart IoT Applications) Track in the framework of IEEE Ficloud conference, 2017.

He published more than 100 articles in referenced Journals, International Conferences or book chapters. He served as member of many International and national Program Committees and served as guest editor or as a member of the editorial boards of several journals.

He proposed, led and initiated several French, European and International research projects. He is the scientific responsible of the IDEX project Attractivity Chair 2014-2019 about “Adaptation, Negotiation and Checkpointing for Cloud Computing”.

Session 3 (Room G 3.7) 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Session Chair: Georges Badr

Paper 1: Fully Enhanced Homomorphic Encryption Algorithm of PORE Approach for Real World Applications

Khalil Hariss, Hassan Noura and Abed Ellatif Samhat

Paper 2: Security Threats and Attacks on Tor

Maria Khan and Ramzi Haraty

Paper 3: A study to Integrate VANET and GIS for Civil Defense Services in Urban areas

Hanaa Basheer, Zaid Makki, Kifah Tout and Carole Bassil

Paper 4: MUSE prototype for Music Sentiment Expression

Ralph Abboud and Joe Tekli

Tutorial Session 2 (Room G 2.7) 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Session Chair: Rémi Sarkis

Speakers:

Cynthia Hamouche, Head of Software development
Ahmad Kobeissy, Software Engineer
Eliane Chkayra, Software Engineer

Title: From theory to practice with Oracle ADF

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The traditional decentralized network, even with redundant configurations and limited manageability, made it harder for attackers to target its segregated assets. However with SDN, the attack vectors are lethal, since all controls are embedded within a highly privileged application that commands its subordinate devices. With the blockchain hype rising, its decentralized or even distributed nature can provide the needed security and asset integrity: Profiting from the centralized network agility, while protecting it with the distributed blockchain robustness.

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