

ISSCO and Evaluation

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First efforts (1988 – 1992)

- Evaluation of machine translation systems for the Swiss government linguistic services

EAGLES I and II (1990 – 1997)

- ISO inspired framework for evaluating HLT systems, applied to
 - Spelling checkers
 - Grammar checkers
 - Translation memory systems
 - Dialogue systems
 - Speech recognition

Evaluation of MT

- ISLE (EU and NSF project), 1999 - 2002:
 - first version of FEMTI
- Swiss National Science Foundation, 2004 - 06:
 - Development of FEMTI

Evaluation events

- Evaluators' Forum, Les Rasses, 1991
- EELS (European Evaluation of Language Systems) workshop, Hoevelaken, NL, 1999
- Several workshops associated with EAGLES II and ISLE

Technology evaluations

- Content extraction and document routing
- Parsing
- Tagging
- Anaphora/Co-reference resolution
- Term extraction
- Human-computer interfaces (meeting browsers)
- Human dialogue processing (meetings)

User oriented evaluations

- Italian Language Service, Swiss Chancery
 - (dictation systems)
- European Commission Translation Services
 - (translation aids)
- Federal Office of Statistics
 - (translation memory systems)
- Federal Office of Justice and Police
 - (translation memory systems/concordancy systems)
- Swiss Parliament translation service
 - (concordancy systems)
- World Health Organisation, Spanish Translation Service
 - (translation memory systems)
- World Intellectual Property Right Organisation
 - (terminology extraction tools)
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Current evaluation interests

- Human-computer interfaces (technology)
- Human dialogue processing (technology)
- MT evaluation
 - CESTA: technology oriented, with user flavouring
 - FEMTI: user oriented
- Text mining (user oriented)