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Object: Partnership of *Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche* (National Research Council) for the 57th Annual Meeting of the *Association for Computational Linguistics* (ACL 2019)

The *National Research Council* of Italy (CNR) is well acquainted with the fundamental role played by the *Association for Computational Linguistics* (ACL) in promoting research and technological development in all areas of Computational Linguistics. CNR recognises the high scientific value of the ACL Annual Meeting, which includes papers on all scientific and technological aspects of Computational Linguistics and involves a huge number of participants from all over the world.

Through one of the institutes for its scientific network, namely the *Istituto di Linguistica Computazionale* "Antonio Zampolli" (ILC) in Pisa, CNR promotes basic and applied research in Computational Linguistics and facilitates knowledge and technology transfer in strategic areas of the discipline. The Institute originates from the *Linguistics Division* of the University computer center CNUCE (Centro Nazionale Universitario di Calcolo Elettronico) founded in 1969 in Pisa, and was established in 1980 as an Institute of CNR. ILC is the first centre in Italy dedicated to Computational Linguistics as an autonomous discipline and one of the first at international level. Since its establishment, the Institute has represented and continues to represent an important point of reference in the field of Computational Linguistics both internationally and nationally.

Based on the above motivations and the strong link existing with the field of Computational Linguistics, CNR is honoured to offer its scientific support and partnership to the 57th Annual Meeting organised by the *Association for Computational Linguistics*, to be held in Florence in 2019.

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