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Preface

We are happy to publish this volume that contains the papers presented at the 9th Workshop on Asian Language Resources hosted by the Asian Federation of Natural Language Processing, held in conjunction with the International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (IJCNLP 2011) in November 12-13, 2011 in Chiang Mai. The workshop and, needless to say, this volume intend to highlight the continually increasing as well as diversified efforts in Asia to build multilingual and multi-modal language resources and their applications through the use of ICTs. Corollary to these thriving endeavors, there is also a need for international standards within the region. Thus, the workshop on its second day is held in cooperation with ISO/TC37/SC4, which develops international standards for language resources management.

All papers submitted for presentation went through a double blind-review process and were evaluated by two or three members of the program committee. Twelve of the submitted papers (or 71 percent) were chosen for presentation at the conference, which are published in this volume. We want to thank all those who submitted papers for review and those who provided manuscripts for publication in these proceedings. We also want to give special thanks to the effort and hard work of our reviewers, whose commitment reflects their dedication to the growth of NLP in the region.

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