

2016 AfeKa Conference for Speech Processing | 15.6.16

Over the years, the AfeKa Academic College of Engineering and the AfeKa Center for Language Processing (ACLP) have organized and hosted an annual conference dedicated to the speech processing community in Israel. We at AfeKa strongly believe in promoting open dialog and cooperation between the industry and academia, and we take great pride in the fact that each year we have been able to bring to our conference leading researchers and professionals from around the world that otherwise would be out of reach to the Israeli community.

The 2016 conference has been planned in accordance to feedback we have received over the years from conference participants and sponsors and will be a one-day event hosting two international keynote speakers, an industry perspective lecture, additional presentations in range of relevant research and industry topics and a satellite event on semi-supervised machine learning.

This year's keynote speakers will be:



Prof. Haizhou Li

Research Director, Institute for InfocommResearch (I2R), A*STAR
"Speech Synthesis Perfects Everyone's Singing"



Prof. Li Deng

Research Manager, Microsoft Research, USA
"Deep Learning Revolution: Speech Recognition and Beyond"

Special Industry Speaker



Jeff Adams

CEO & Founder of Cobalt Speech and Language, USA
"How Market-driven Speech Research led to a Breakthrough in Noisy ASR"

Satellite Event Keynote Speaker



Dr. Christian Hennig

Department of Statistical Science, University College London
“Cluster validation: how to think and what to do?”

Program

Afeka Conference for Speech Processing	
08:30 - 09:15	Networking & Registration
09:15 - 10:00	Welcome Remarks Prof. Ami Moyal, President, Afeka Dr. Irit Opher, Conference Chairman, Afeka
	Opening Lecture TBA
10:00 - 11:00	Keynote Prof. Haizhou Li Research Director, Institute for InfocommResearch (I2R), A*STAR “Speech Synthesis Perfects Everyone’s Singing”
11:00 - 11:30	--- Coffee Break ---
11:30 - 12:30	Technology Session TBA
12:30 - 14:00	--- Lunch ---
14:00 - 15:00	Keynote Prof. Li Deng Research Manager, Microsoft Research, USA “Deep Learning Revolution: Speech Recognition and Beyond”
15:00- 15:30	Industry Session Jeff Adams, CEO & Founder of Cobalt Speech and Language, USA <i>“How Market-driven Speech Research led to a Breakthrough in Noisy ASR”</i>



AFEKA CONFERENCE

FOR SPEECH PROCESSING

June 15, 2016 Tel-Aviv, Israel

15:30 - 16:30	Panel Discussion
16:30 - 17:00	--- Coffee Break ---
Satellite Event - Unsupervised Machine Learning Seminar	
17:30 - 17:15	Welcome Remarks Dr. Itshik Lapidot, Satellite Event Chairman, Afeka
17:15-18:15	Satellite Event Keynote Speaker Dr. Christian Hennig Department of Statistical Science, University College London "Cluster validation: how to think and what to do?"
18:15-19:15	Short Lectures: Dr. Tom Trigano, Sami Shamoon College of Engineering Mr. Alan (Joseph) Bekker, Bar-Ilan University A 3rd speaker will be announced at a later date