



# Track proposals for INEX 2004

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# Proposals

- Relevance feedback track
- Natural language queries track
- Heterogenous Collections track
- Interactive track

# Relevance feedback track

**Proposers:** Carolyn Crouch, Mounia Lalmas

- Consider (pseudo) relevance feedback for  $n$  top ranking documents
- CO queries and CAS queries
- Retrieval using this feedback data
- Apply appropriate evaluation methods

# Natural language queries track

**Proposers:** Shlomo Geva, Tony Sahama

- Natural language queries
- both for CO and CAS type queries
- element-wise assessment
- overall satisfaction

# Heterogeneous collection track

**Proposers:** Norbert Fuhr, Gerhard Weikum

- build collection with documents from large variety of DTDs:
  - additional CS digital libraries
  - CS project descriptions
  - CS course descriptions
- CO: determine reasonable answer elements
- CAS: mapping of structural conditions

# Interactive track

**Proposers:** Saadia Malik, Tassos Tombros, Birger Larsen

- interactive retrieval of XML documents
- allow for rich interaction between user and system
- monitor interaction (metrics assume certain behavior!)
- involves real end users
- users are given a fixed time for finding answers to a topic, store answers
- evaluate quality of stored answers

# Establish a track

- Nominate track leader
- Prepare track Call for Participation  
(to be included in the INEX 2004 CfP)
- Describe necessary activities  
(minimum load on clearinghouse!)