Preface

The idea of holding a Second Workshop on Controlled Natural Language (CNL 2010) was conceived at the end of the first workshop held in 2009, and put into practice a few months later when Norbert Fuchs asked for my collaboration. Consequently, as I write now, the workshop will take place between September 13th and 15th 2010. It goes without saying that we retain the magical venue of Marettimo, and hope to recreate that excellent combination of presentations, discussions, recreation and Mediterranean lifestyle that characterised the first workshop.

The subject of Controlled Natural Languages is still relatively young and fluid, and so once again the workshop is is dedicated to discussing theoretical and practical aspects of controlled natural languages, relations to other knowledge representation languages, tool support, and current and future applications.

Altogether 17 extended abstracts were submitted to CNL 2010, of which the programme committee accepted 12. This volume contains the extended abstracts of the 12 papers to be presented. In contrast and in addition to last year’s workshop, the programme includes four tutorials that are particularly devoted to participants without extensive experience in the area. These are

- Rolf Schwitter, Controlled Natural Languages for Knowledge Representation.
- Tobias Kuhn, An Introduction to Ace Wiki
- Aarne Ranta, Multilingual Controlled Language Packages: Implementation and Applications
- Norbert E. Fuchs, First Order Reasoning for Attempto Controlled English

Another novelty in the programme is an explicit discussion session that is planned on “Objectives and Applications of CNL” that is intended to shed further light on the nature of the beast we are discussing.

As programme co-chair I would like to take the opportunity to thank the many people without whose support organising the workshop would not have been possible.

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