## Adam Kilgarriff Prize, 2017

The Adam Kilgarriff Prize was set up in 2016 as a memorial to our multi-talented friend, who contributed so much to the fields of lexicography, corpus linguistics, and NLP. Along with the other Trustees, I'm delighted that the Prize has got off to such a terrific start. Not only did we receive eight excellent applications, but the projects they were based on reflected interesting and original work across the whole spectrum of fields in which Adam himself was engaged. There were submissions in areas as diverse as corpus building, software tools for language research, named entity resources, translation systems, machine learning, and dictionary-creation.

With so many high-quality applications, selecting a winner was a challenging process for the six Trustees, involving several lengthy Skype meetings. But our eventual decision was unanimous, and we're all thrilled that the first Adam Kilgarriff Prize is going to Dr. Paweł Rutkowski. Paweł and his team at the University of Warsaw have been working for over five years on the development of resources for users of Polish Sign Language, including an innovative corpus and a corpus-based dictionary. Dr. Rutkowski explains his project's goals on the last page of this issue. He has accepted an invitation from the organizers of eLex 2017 in Leiden to give one of the keynote talks at the conference, where he will receive the Prize in person from Adam's spouse, Gill Lamden.
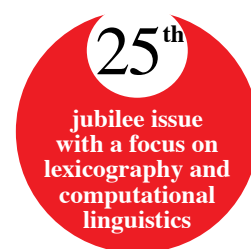
We congratulate all the applicants for their impressive submissions, and for making the first iteration of Adam's prize such a success. Finally, I take this opportunity to thank my fellow Trustees for the great care and thoroughness which they devoted to the task of evaluating all the submissions. We are all confident that this year's Adam Kilgarriff Prize has a worthy winner, and we look forward to inviting applications for the 2019 Prize in due course.
**Michael Rundell**

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