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Preface

This book is an extended collection of revised contributions that were initially submitted to the International Workshop on Adaptive Multimedia Retrieval (AMR 2005). This workshop was organized during July 28-29, 2005, at the University of Glasgow, UK, as part of an information retrieval research festival and in co-location with the 19th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2005). AMR 2005 was the third and so far the biggest event of the series of workshops that started in 2003 with a workshop during the 26th German Conference on Artificial Intelligence (KI 2003) and continued in 2004 as part of the 16th European Conference on Artificial Intelligence (ECAI 2004).

The workshop focussed especially on intelligent methods to analyze and structure multimedia collections, with particular attention on methods that are able to support the user in the search process, e.g., by providing additional user-and context-adapted information about the search results as well as the data collection itself and especially by adapting the retrieval tool to the user's needs and interests. The invited contributions presented in the first section of this book—"Putting the User in the Loop: Visual Resource Discovery" from Stefan Rüger, "Using Relevance Feedback to Bridge the Semantic Gap" from Ebroul Izquierdo and Divna Djordjevic, and "Leveraging Context for Adaptive Multimedia Retrieval: A Matter of Control" from Gary Marchionini—illustrate these core topics: user, context and feedback. These aspects are discussed from different points of view in the 18 contributions that are classified into six main chapters, following rather closely the workshop's sessions: ranking, systems, spatio-temporal relations, using feedback, using context and meta-data. We think that this book provides a good and conclusive overview of the current research in this area.

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