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Preface

The corpus-based and computational study of phraseology is an important area relevant to the research and practical work of translators, interpreters, terminologists, lexicographers, language instructors, and learners, to mention a few. Computational phraseology has been gaining in prominence in recent years with the computational treatment of multiword expressions essential for a number of natural language processing and translation technology applications. The importance of this field has been evidenced in a number of influential publications including, but not limited to, Constant et al. (2017), Mitkov et al. (2018), Corpas and Colson (2020), and Ramish and Villavicencio (2022).

The Europhras conference series ‘Computational and Corpus-based Phraseology’ has emerged as one of the leading conferences covering this topic. We were delighted that after two years of restrictions due to COVID-19, we were again able to offer a face-to-face Europhras 2022. The volume you are holding features a selection of regular papers accepted after rigorous reviewing and presented at the latest edition of this popular conference, held during 28–30 September, 2022, in Malaga, Spain.

The conference was jointly organised by the University of Malaga (Research Group in Lexicography and Translation), Spain, the University of Wolverhampton (Research Group in Computational Linguistics), UK, and the Association for Computational Linguistics, Bulgaria, and was sponsored by Sketch Engine the University of Malaga, and Multilingual. Europhras 2022 provided the perfect opportunity for researchers to present their work, fostering interaction and interdisciplinary collaboration. The papers in this volume cover a number of topics including general corpus-based approaches to phraseology, phraseology in translation and cross-linguistic studies, phraseology in interpreting, phraseology in language teaching and learning, phraseology in specialised languages, phraseology in lexicography, cognitive approaches to phraseology, phraseology and figurative language, phraseology in machine translation, and computational treatment of multiword expressions in general. We have deliberately not grouped the contributions around specific topics – as many of them cut across more than one of the above listed topics – but have instead opted to present the papers alphabetically according to the (first) family name of the (first) author.

Every submission to the conference was evaluated by three reviewers. The reviewers were either members of the Programme Committee or additional reviewers. The conference contributions were authored by a total of 75 scholars from 17 different countries: Brazil, Bulgaria, Colombia, Croatia, the Czech Republic, France, Indonesia, Iraq, Italy, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, and United Kingdom. These figures attest to the truly international nature of Europhras 2022.

We would like to thank all colleagues who made this wonderfully interdisciplinary and international event possible. We would like to start by thanking all colleagues who submitted papers to Europhras 2022 and travelled to Malaga to attend the event. We are grateful to all members of the Programme Committee and the additional reviewers for carefully examining all submissions and providing substantial feedback on all papers, helping the authors of accepted papers to improve and polish the final versions of their

papers. A special thanks goes to the invited speakers, namely the keynote speakers of the main conference (Aline Villavicencio, Jean Pierre Colson, Miloš Jakubíček, and María del Carmen Mellado Blanco), the invited speakers of the accompanying workshop on Multiword Units in Machine Translation and Translation Technology (MUMTTT), and the tutorial speakers from Lexical Computing. Words of gratitude go to our sponsors and collaborators: Sketch Engine, Multilingual, the Research Institute of Multilingual Language Technologies of the University of Malaga, the Translation and Interpreting Department of the University of Malaga, and D.O.P Antequera - DCOOP.

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