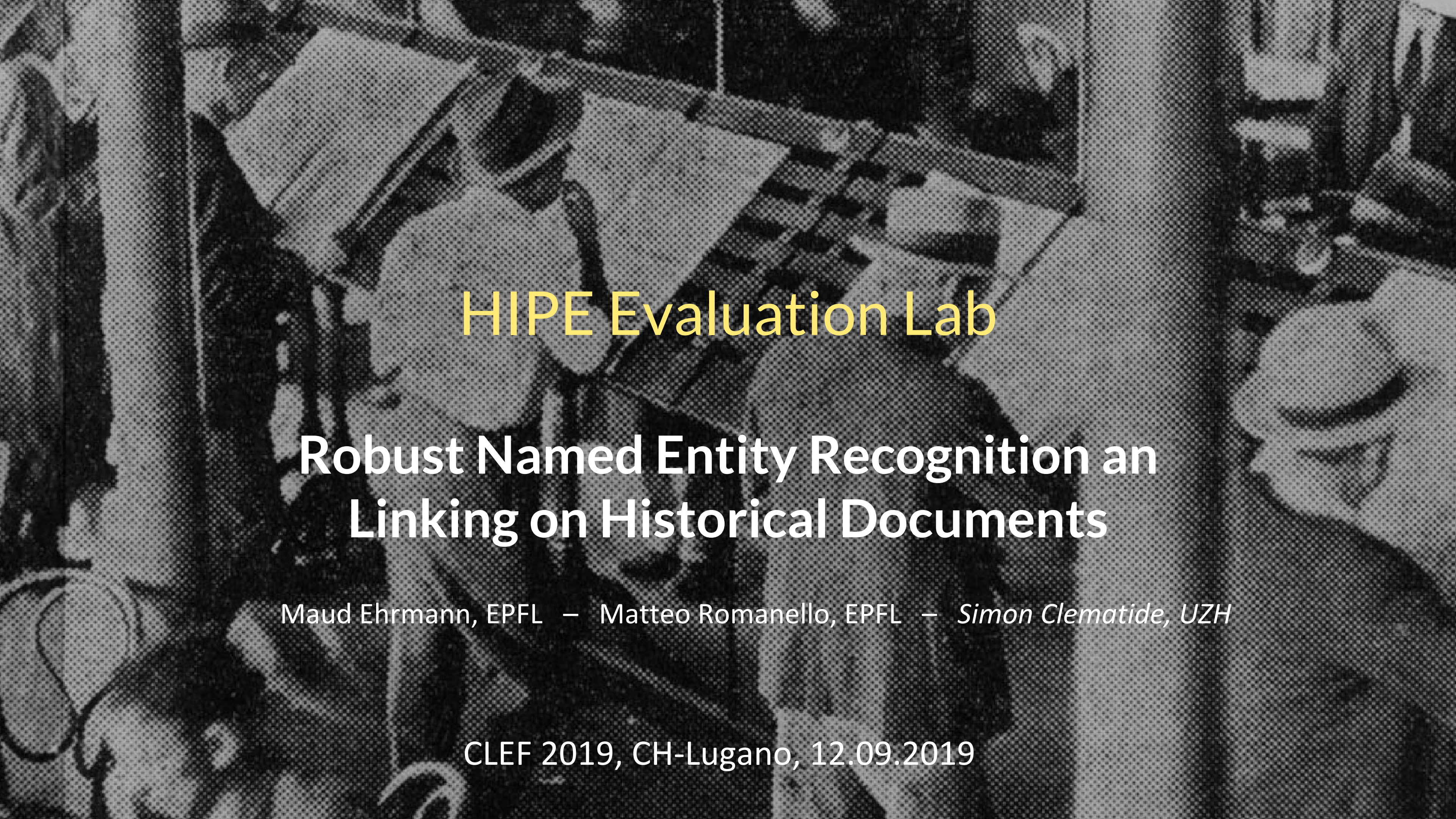

HIPE Evaluation Lab

Robust Named Entity Recognition an Linking on Historical Documents

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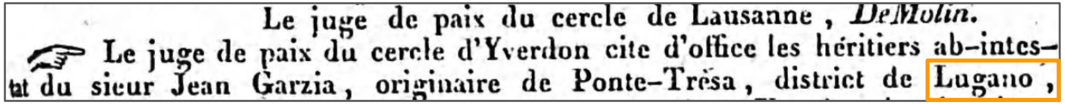
Identifying Historical People, Places and other Entities

What - NE evaluation campaign on historical newspapers in French, German and English.

Objectives - Assess and advance the development of **robust named entity processing** systems. Deal with challenging historical material, thereby supporting information extraction and text understanding of cultural heritage data.

Challenges

- Multilingual corpora
- Noisy OCR
- Partial coverage of KBs with respect to historical entities



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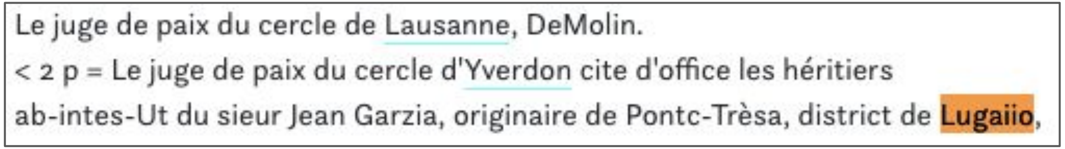

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Example from Gazette de Lausanne 1829

Tasks

Task 1: Named Entity Recognition and Classification (NERC)

Subtask 1.1 - ‘NERC Essentials’: recognition and classification of high-level entity types.

Subtask 1.2 - ‘NERC fine-grained’: fine-grained entity types + components (e.g. function, title, name).

Task 2 : Named Entity Linking (EL)

Subtask 2.1 - Entity coreference resolution: given a set of mentions in a document, cluster them into coreferent sets.

Subtask 2.2 - Entity Linking: linking of NE mentions to a unique referent in Wikidata or to a NIL node if the mention does not have a referent in the KB.

Data

Corpora - articles sampled among several Swiss, Luxembourgish and British/American (still TBD) historical newspapers on a diachronic basis, released with accompanying metadata.

Datasets

- sample
- dev/train
- test

Auxiliary resources

- HIPE team will provide in-domain word embeddings
- Participants will be encouraged (but not forced) to share any external resource they might use, during and/or after the evaluation campaign.

Timeline

- Early November 2019: registration opens.
- End of November 2019: release of sample data for all tasks and languages.
- End of January 2020: release of full data (training and dev).
- Early May 2020: test phase (one week).
- Early June 2020: release of results to participants.
- June-July 2020: submission of papers (participant and lab- overview papers).
- 22-25 Sept 2020: CLEF 2020 Conference in Thessaloniki, Greece.

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