INEX-XER: Entity Ranking Workshop Report

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Issues in INEX-XER 2008

• Not as many participants as expected

• Why?! Entities represented as Articles?
  – Ad hoc systems?

• Current participants prefer Articles
What *could* be new in 2009?

- Entity representation in corpus
  - Allow passages instead of articles
  - Q: How useful is the passage without further info? Require support evidence?
Entities as Passages?

• Reference Reconciliation
  – How do we know that two passages do not refer to the same entity?
  • Available annotations in the new collection?
  • Annotate the collection with external sources (Y!)
  • Allow to retrieve only given candidates
Entities as Passages?

• Evaluation
  – Relevance?
  – Use supporting passages for assessments?
  – Metrics?
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• New document collection!

• Classic tasks: ER, LC
  – Ad hoc participants!

• More: Pilot - Ranking entities as passages

• Relation Search?