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?

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