ALLDATA 2016

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The Second International Conference on Big Data, Small Data, Linked Data and Open Data (ALLDATA 2016), held between February 21-25, 2016 in Lisbon, Portugal continued a series of events bridging the concepts and the communities devoted to each of data categories for a better understanding of data semantics and their use, by taking advantage from the development of Semantic Web, Deep Web, Internet, non-SQL and SQL structures, progresses in data processing, and the new tendency for acceptance of open environments.

The volume and the complexity of available information overwhelm human and computing resources. Several approaches, technologies and tools are dealing with different types of data when searching, mining, learning and managing existing and increasingly growing information. From understanding Small data, the academia and industry recently embraced Big data, Linked data, and Open data. Each of these concepts carries specific foundations, algorithms and techniques, and is suitable and successful for different kinds of application. While approaching each concept from a silo point of view allows a better understanding (and potential optimization), no application or service can be developed without considering all data types mentioned above.

The conference had the following tracks:
- Big data
- Linked data

The conference also featured the following symposium:
- **KESA 2016**, *The International Workshop on Knowledge Extraction and Semantic Annotation*

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Also, this event could not have been a reality without the support of many individuals, organizations and sponsors. We also gratefully thank the members of the ALLDATA 2016 organizing committee for their help in handling the logistics and for their work that made this professional meeting a success.

We hope ALLDATA 2016 was a successful international forum for the exchange of ideas and results between academia and industry and to promote further progress in the area of all data. We also hope that Lisbon, Portugal, provided a pleasant environment during the conference and everyone saved some time to enjoy the beauty of the city.

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