
For CLEF 2012 and onwards, the plan is to organise an open bidding process so that interested institutions and organizations will be able to apply to organize and host the event.

In the next few years, we hope to see mutual feed-back and cross-fertilization between conference and labs. For example, after additional analyses and studies, methodologies developed or results achieved in the benchmarking activities one year may give rise to papers in the conference the next year. Alternatively, topics discussed at the conference one year may lead to the organisation of a lab in the following year.

Our main goal is to encourage the interaction between science and engineering in our domain, around a shared experimental methodology, thus helping the CLEF community to grow and progress so that it is ready to face the challenges of an increasingly complex and challenging field.

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