

# Remarks on **ISCSLP-2006** Technical Program

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# Chinese Is Becoming Hot



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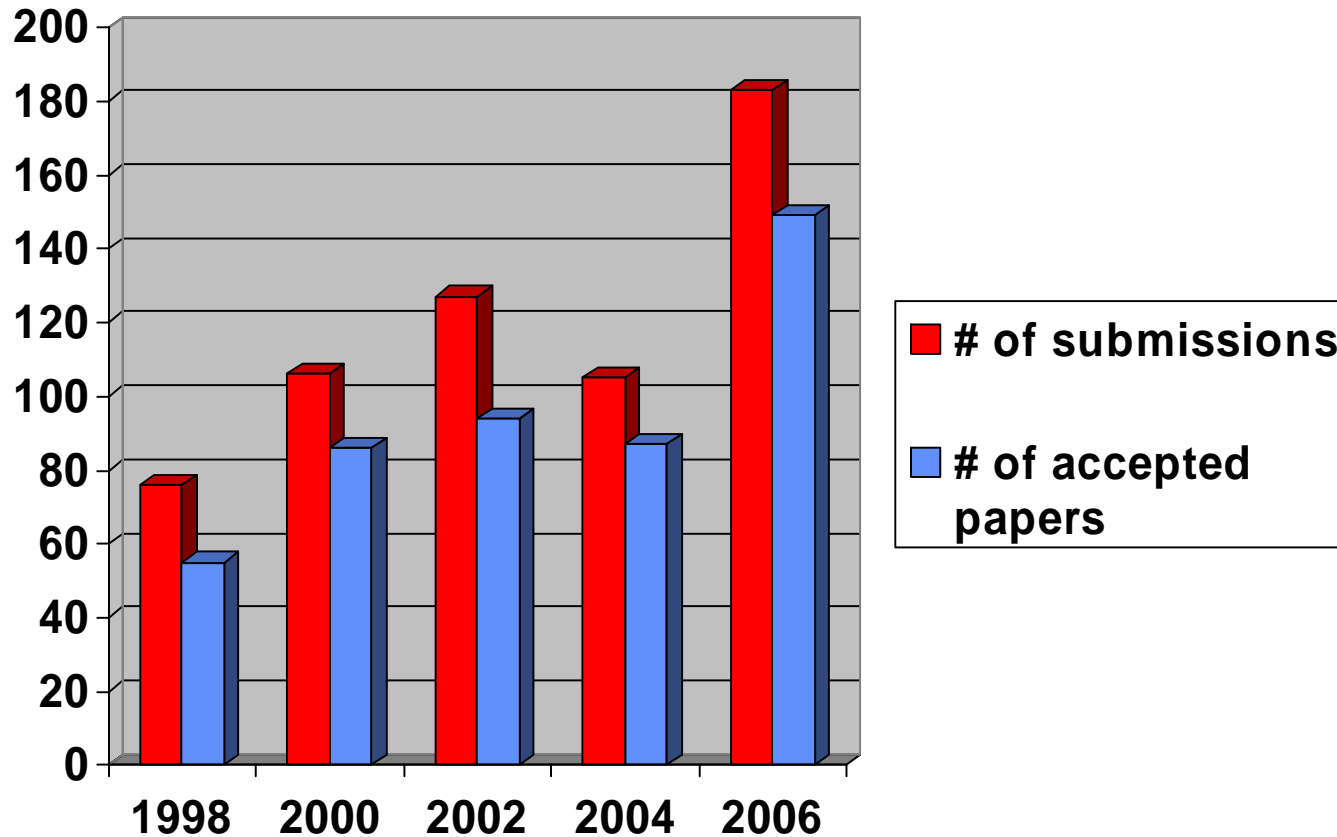
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C O V E R

**LANGUAGE: Get Ahead, Learn Mandarin**

China's economic rise means the world has a new second language—and it isn't English

# The Growth of CSLP Community



- Statistics of ISCSLP paper submissions (1998-2006)


# What's New This Year: Two Volumes of Conference Proceedings

Qiang Huo Bin Ma  
Eng-Siong Chng Haizhou Li (Eds.)

## Chinese Spoken Language Processing

5th International Symposium, ISCSLP 2006  
Singapore, December 13-16, 2006  
Proceedings



 Springer

- **Full paper submissions:**
  - 183 from 18 countries and regions
- **Accepted:** 149 in total
  - **Springer Book:**  
74 full papers +  
5 abstracts of invited  
tutorials/plenary talks
  - **Companion Volume:**  
75 full papers
- **A summary of program:**
  - 2 tutorials,
  - 4 invited plenary talks,
  - 4 special sessions,
  - 9 regular oral plus 4 poster  
sessions,
  - 1 exhibition session.

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# About Paper Review

- Each full paper was reviewed by **at least 2 reviewers** (TC members and/or additional reviewers), and rated on the following aspects:  
(5=*excellent*; 4=*good*; 3=*average*; 2=*weak*; 1=*very weak*)
  - Relevance to the conference
  - Originality of the work
  - Technical correctness
  - Significance of results
  - Clarity of presentation
  - References
- An **overall evaluation score** is also given by each reviewer:
  - Definite accept (5)
  - Accept (4)
  - Marginal (3)
  - Reject (2)
  - Definite reject (1)
- **Detailed comments** from the reviewers were fed back to authors for their consideration in revising their papers.

# How Is the Acceptance Decision Made?

- If the **Averaged Overall Evaluation Score**  $\geq 4.5$ 
  - Accept and published in the “**Springer Book**”
- If the **Averaged Overall Evaluation Score**  $\leq 2.0$ 
  - Reject
- If the **Averaged Overall Evaluation Score** = 4.0
  - TC Co-Chairs selected as many papers as possible for being published in the “**Springer Book**” under the constraint of agreed acceptance rate with the Springer, based on
    - Originality of the work
    - Technical correctness
    - Significance of results
    - Detailed comments made by reviewers
- The rest of 75 good papers were accepted and published in the **Companion Volume** of the conference proceedings.

# About the Best Student Paper Awards

- **Eligibility Criteria:**
  - The first author of the paper has to be a student when the paper was submitted; and
  - The paper is presented by the first author in ISCSLP-2006.
- **7 top-scored papers** were selected from 22 eligible papers in the “Springer Book”, and reviewed by the following panel:
  - **Dr. Bin Ma** (TC Co-Chair),
  - **Professors Hui Jiang, Chin-Hui Lee, Lin-Shan Lee, Helen Meng.**
- **2 papers** with most votes are selected to receive the best student paper award:
  - Each panel member can recommend two candidates.
- Awards will be presented in the **closing ceremony:**
  - A plaque + S\$300 cash award

# Finalists of the Best Student Paper Awards

- *Yi-Hsiang Chao, Hsin-Min Wang and Ruei-Chuan Chang,*  
“A Novel Alternative Hypothesis Characterization Using Kernel Classifiers for LLR-based Speaker Verification”
- *Jun Du, Peng Liu, Frank K. Soong, Jian-Lai Zhou and Ren-Hua Wang,*  
“Noisy Speech Recognition Performance of Discriminative HMMs”
- *Bo-June (Paul) Hsu and James Glass,*  
“Spoken Correction for Chinese Text Entry”
- *Yu Hu and Qiang Huo,*  
“An HMM Compensation Approach Using Unscented Transformation For Noisy Speech Recognition”
- *Heng Kang and Wenju Liu,*  
“Prosodic Words Prediction from Lexicon Words with CRF and TBL Joint Method”
- *Xiong Xiao, Haizhou Li and Eng Siong Chng,*  
“Vector Autoregressive Model for Missing Feature Reconstruction”
- *Li Zhang, Chao Huang, Min Chu, Frank Soong, Xianda Zhang and Yudong Chen,*  
“Automatic Detection of Tone Mispronunciation in Mandarin”



# Highlights of Technical Program (1)

- **Tutorial 1** (10:00-12:00 Dec 13)
  - “An HMM-Based Approach to Flexible Speech Synthesis”  
*Keiichi Tokuda*  
Department of Computer Science and Engineering,  
Nagoya Institute of Technology
- **Tutorial 2** (13:30-15:30 Dec 13)
  - “Text Information Extraction and Retrieval”  
*Hang Li*  
Microsoft Research Asia

# Highlights of Technical Program (2)

- **Plenary 1** (16:30-17:30 Dec 13)
  - “Interactive Computer Aids for Acquiring Proficiency in Mandarin”  
*Stephanie Seneff*  
Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (CSAIL), MIT
- **Plenary 2** (8:30-9:30 Dec 14)
  - “The Affective and Pragmatic Coding of Prosody”  
*Klaus R. Scherer*  
Swiss Center for Affective Sciences, University of Geneva, Switzerland
- **Plenary 3** (8:30-9:30 Dec 15)
  - “Challenges in Machine Translation”  
*Franz Josef Och*  
Google Research
- **Plenary 4** (8:30-9:30 Dec 16)
  - “Automatic Indexing and Retrieval of Large Broadcast News Video Collections - the TRECVID Experience”  
*Tat-Seng Chua*  
School of Computing, National University of Singapore

# Highlights of Technical Program (3)

- **Special Session 1** (13:30-15:30 Dec 14)
  - “Rich Information Annotation and Spoken Language Processing”  
Organized and chaired by *Jianhua Tao*
- **Special Session 2** (16:00-18:00 Dec 14)
  - “Speaker Recognition”  
Organized and chaired by *Thomas Fang Zheng*
- **Special Session 3** (13:30- 18:00 Dec 15)
  - “Multilingual Corpus Development”  
Organized and chaired by *Chiu-yu Tseng*
- **Special Session 4** (10:00-12:00 Dec 16)
  - “Robust Techniques for Organizing and Retrieving Spoken Documents”  
Organized and chaired by *Hsin-Min Wang*

# Co-located Event



## Human Emotions in Voice and Body

Approaches from the affective sciences  
and virtual reality

Singapore, 14 – 15 December, 2006

Held in conjunction with



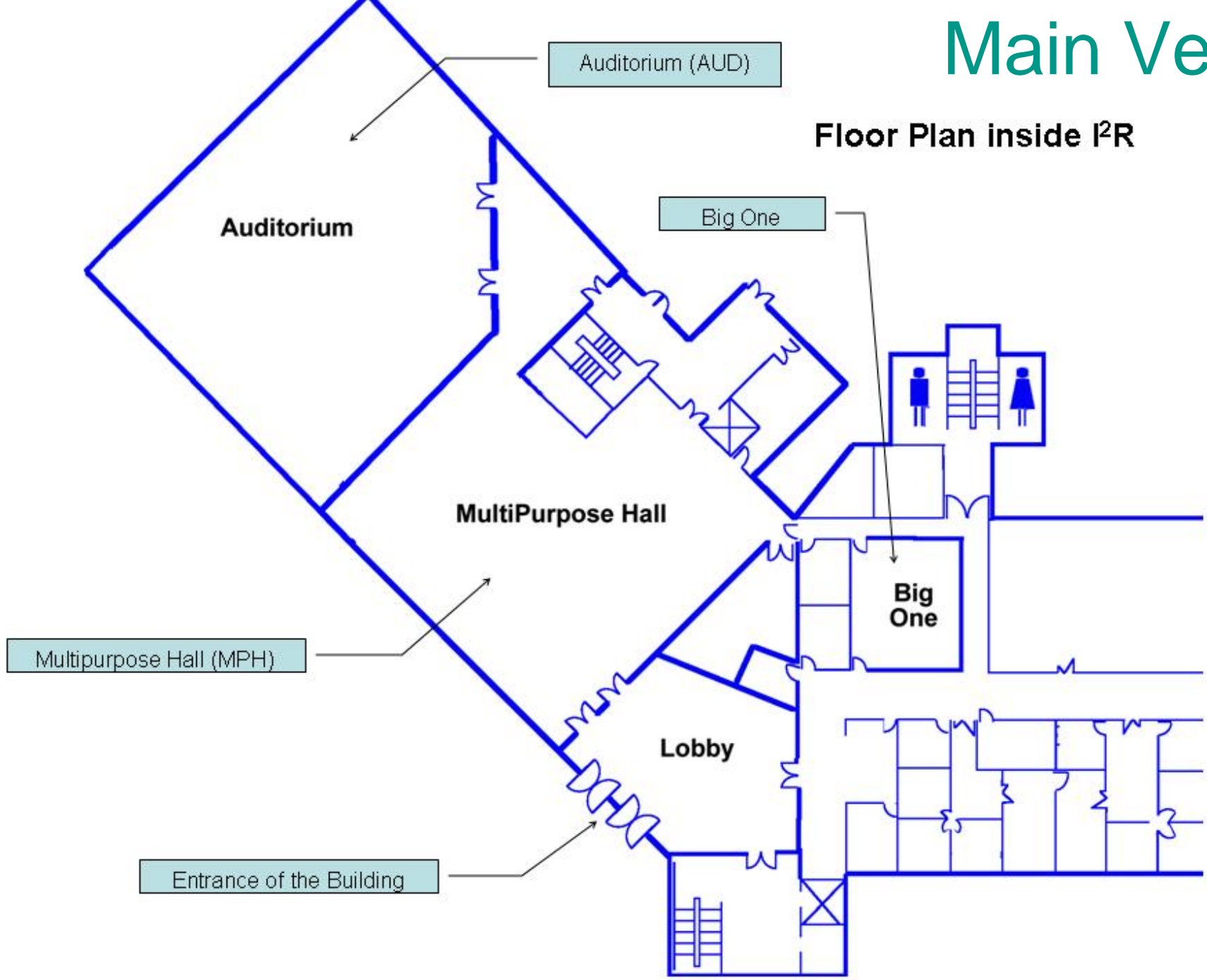
# Technical Program at a Glance

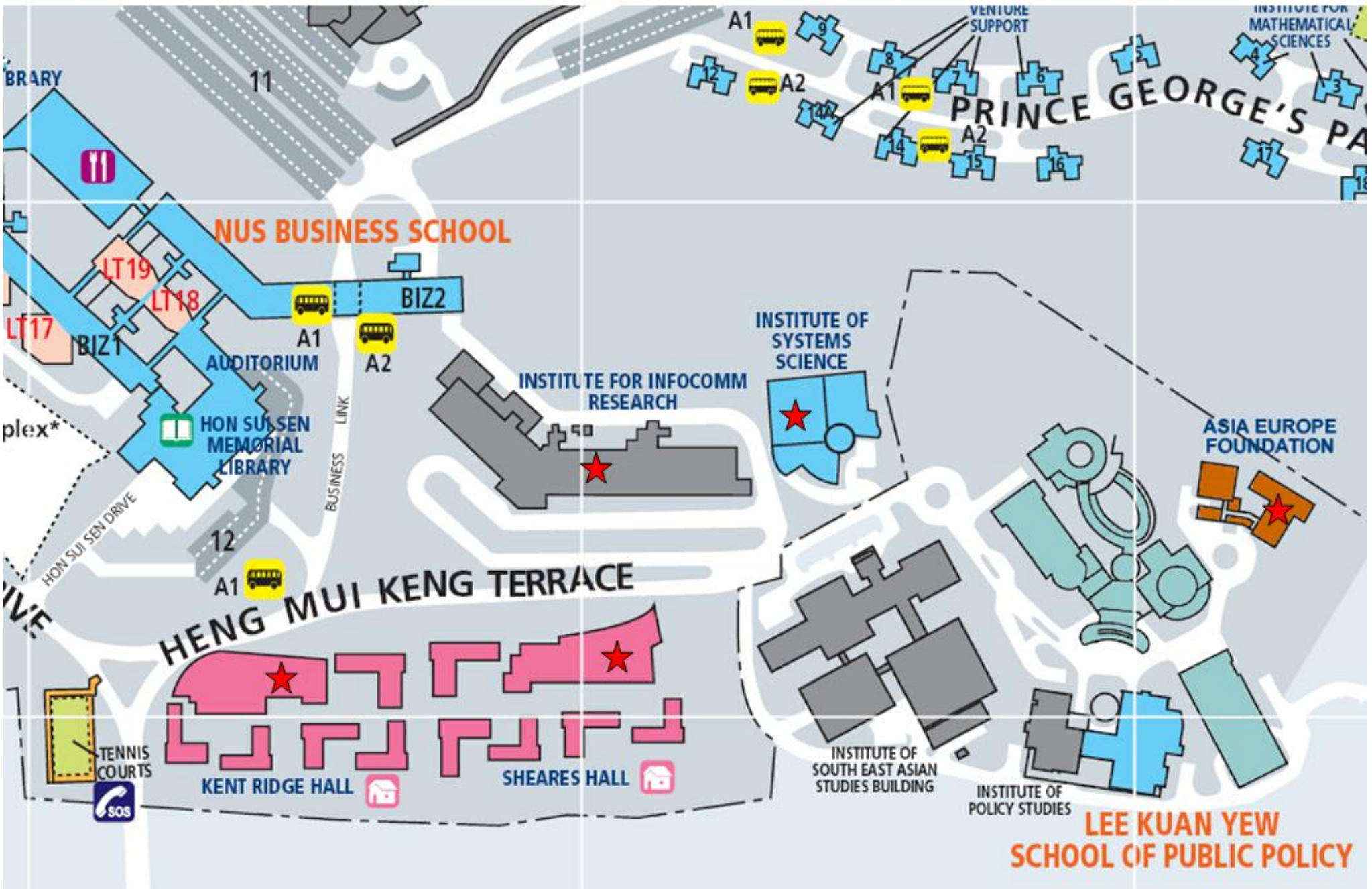
	Dec 13 (WED)	Dec 14 (THU)				Dec 15 (FRI)					Dec 16 (SAT)		
8:30		Plenary 2 (Prof. Klaus R. Scherer) AUD				Plenary 3 (Dr. Franz Josef Och) AUD					Plenary 4 (Prof Tat-Seng Chua) AUD		
9:00													
9:30	Registration	Refreshment											
10:00	Tutorial 1 (Prof. Keiichi Tokuda) AUD	L1 AUD	WP1 BIG	L2 ISS	EX HALL	L5 AUD	L6 BIG	WP4 ISS	P3 HALL	SC Mtg CP	SPE5 AUD	L9 BIG	SIG Mtg CP
12:00	Lunch										Closing Ceremony		
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13:30	Tutorial 2 (Dr. Hang Li) AUD	L3 AUD	WP2 BIG	SPE1 ISS	P1 HALL	L7 AUD	SPE3 BIG	WP5 ISS	P4 HALL	SC Mtg CP			
15:30	Refreshment												
16:00	Opening Ceremony	L4	WP3	SPE2	P2	L8	SPE4	WP6	SC Mtg				
16:30	Plenary 1 (Dr. Stephanie Seneff) AUD	AUD	BIG	ISS	HALL	AUD	BIG	ISS	CP				
17:30													
18:00	Reception					ISCA-SIG-CSLP General Assembly							
19:00		SC Business Dinner				Banquet							
21:00													

AUD: Auditorium      BIG: The Big One      ISS: ISS 3-03      HALL: Hall      CP: Couple Meeting Room #2-83  
 SPE: Special Session      L: Oral Session      P: Poster Session      EX: Exhibition Session      SC: Steering Committee  
 WP1-WP6: Virtual Emotions Workshop

# Main Venue

Floor Plan inside I<sup>2</sup>R





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# Oral Presentation

- 20 minutes each
- Contact your session chair 30 minutes before the session
- Load your slides to the computer 30 minutes before the session



# Poster Presentation

- 120 minutes each
- Contact your session chair 15 minutes before the session
- Put up your poster at least 5 minutes before the session
- Remove the poster after the session

# Thank you very much for

- Submitting papers to and attending the ISCSLP-2006;
- Accepting our invitation to give tutorials and plenary talks;
- Organizing special sessions;
- Helping review papers;
- Giving us advices.

We hope you enjoy the conference and  
your stay in Singapore!