



QA – CLEF

Report from the breakout session

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Discussion on the Main task

■ **Questions**

- Not provide question classification
- Sort out / eliminate definitions questions

■ **Answers**

- Answer translation
- Allow multiple answers
- Answers in context (snippet, web document)

■ **Multilinguality**

- Add new languages
- Full multilingual setting

■ **Evaluation**

- Estimate question difficulty
- Evaluate intermediate components (passage retrieval, answer validation)

Discussion for a Pilot Task

- **Multilingual QA on Wikipedia**
 - Question answering for accessing information in encyclopedias
 - Challenging scenario for question answering
 - New kind of questions
 - New kind of answers
 - Evaluation