

Nadační fond Adama Kilgarriffa
Adam Kilgarriff Endowment Fund

Výroční zpráva za rok 2017

Annual report for the year 2017

About the endowment fund

The Adam Kilgarriff endowment fund was established on November 6th, 2017 as a Czech legal entity. The official name is Nadační fond Adama Kilgarriffa. The registered office is Slovákova 7, 602 00, Brno, Czech Republic. Foundation documents of the fund are available in the register maintained by the regional court in Brno and accessible online via the official service of the Czech Ministry of Justice provided at <http://www.justice.cz>.

The endowment fund officers since its foundation were:

- Miloš Jakubíček (chairman of the board)
- Pavel Rychlý (board member)
- Vojtěch Kovář (board member)
- Tereza Olšanová (auditor)

The core business of the endowment fund, namely awarding the Adam Kilgarriff Prize (including setting up selection criteria, performing candidate selection, maintaining public relations and helping with fund raising), has been managed by the Board of Trustees:

- Michal Rundell (chairman of the board)
- Carole Tiberius (board member)
- Ilan Kernerman (board member)
- Iztok Kosem (board member)
- Pavel Rychlý (board member)
- Miloš Jakubíček (board member)

All officers as well as members of the Board of Trustees agreed to work for the benefit of the endowment fund pro bono.

Further information on the activities of the endowment fund is available online at <https://kilgarriff.co.uk/prize/>.

Setting up the Prize

The Adam Kilgarriff Prize was established in January 2016, as a permanent memorial to our friend and colleague the linguist Dr. Adam Kilgarriff, who died of cancer in 2015. The Prize is to be awarded every two years, in conjunction with the eLex conference series, and it consists primarily of a cash prize of 2500 EUR.

The Prize is administered by a six-member Board of Trustees, consisting of Miloš Jakubíček, Ilan Kernerman, Iztok Kosem, Michael Rundell (chair), Pavel Rychlý, and Carole Tiberius.

The Prize is intended to recognise outstanding work in the fields to which Adam Kilgarriff contributed so much: corpus linguistics, computational linguistics, and lexicography. It is aimed at younger researchers, so that applicants must be under 40 in the year in which the application is made. The Prize may be awarded for achievements taking the form of publication, software, linguistic data, an industrial product or service, or any combination of the above.

The first award of the Prize

A call for applications for the inaugural Prize was issued in May 2016, and it attracted eight very diverse applications, all of high quality. Following a lengthy adjudication process, the Trustees agreed unanimously to award the Prize to Dr. Paweł Rutkowski. It was awarded for the work done by Dr. Rutkowski and his team at the University of Warsaw, where they have developed resources for users of Polish Sign Language, including an innovative corpus and a corpus-based dictionary. Dr. Rutkowski received the Prize at the eLex conference held in Leiden, Netherlands, in September 2017. He also gave one of the keynote lectures at the conference, in which he introduced and explained his work.

Sponsorship and financials

In the first instance, the Prize fund was established with donations from Lexical Computing Ltd, K Dictionaries Ltd, and Michael Rundell. Plans are now in place to solicit further donations, from institutions and individuals, in the course of 2018.

Adam Kilgarriff Endowment Fund received donations in the amount of 3091.10 EUR in 2017. The donations are exempt from income tax and will be used exclusively for the purposes of the Prize.

Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	Amount [EUR]
Income	
Equity	39.15
Donations	3,091.10
Total Income	3,130.25
Expenditure	
Adam Kilgarriff Prize	2,500.00
Bank fees	18.48
Total Expenditure	2,518.48
Cash Ending Balance	611.77

The annual report has been prepared by Tereza Olšanová, Michael Rundell and Miloš Jakubíček.