Dear Cognitive Scientists,

Welcome to London for the 39th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society! Our meeting brings together some of the most innovative and exciting research in cognitive science. The program features exceptional plenary talks by three leading international experts: Richard Granger (Dartmouth), Ulrike Hahn (Birkbeck, University of London), and Richard Sutton (University of Alberta). It also includes an invited symposium aimed at showcasing the theme for this year: *Computational Foundations of Cognition*.

CogSci 2017 received 1185 submissions, including 873 full papers, 259 member abstracts, 20 publication-based short papers, as well as 19 proposals for a symposium, 9 for a workshop, and 5 for a tutorial. After a rigorous review process, we selected 255 papers for oral presentation (29%), 418 papers for poster presentation (48%), 233 member abstracts for poster presentation, 15 publication-based talks, 9 symposia, 7 workshops, and 3 tutorials.

We hope that you enjoy the program this year and the global city of London, certainly the most vibrant and historically significant city in the United Kingdom. There are thousands of shops and restaurants near the conference venue and throughout the city. We encourage you to set aside the time to enjoy some of the many tourist attractions while you are here.

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We are also thankful for the support of the Cognitive Science community. We are sure that the suggestions and contributions we received from this community helped us to make it a more lively, engaging and fun meeting for all. Enjoy!

- Glenn Gunzelmann, Andrew Howes, Thora Tenbrink, and Eddy Davelaar
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