Web Science is the emergent study of the people and technologies, applications, processes and practices that shape and are shaped by the World Wide Web. Web Science aims to draw together theories, methods and findings from across academic disciplines, and to collaborate with industry, business, government and civil society, to develop our knowledge and understanding of the Web: the largest socio-technical infrastructure in human history.

The conference brought together international researchers from multiple disciplines, such as computer science, sociology, economics, information science, or psychology. The interactive program featured a mix of workshops, paper presentations, interactive poster sessions, panel discussions and series of keynotes from key experts and Web practitioners in the field, including Andrew Tomkins (Google), Ricardo Baeza Yates (former VP of Yahoo Research), or Jure Leskovec (Stanford University).

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