Preface

This volume contains the proceedings of the 4th International Conference on Logical Aspects of Computational Linguistics, held June 27–29, 2001 in Le Croisic, France. The LACL conferences aim to provide a forum for the presentation and discussion of current research in all the formal and logical aspects of computational linguistics.

The program committee selected 16 papers from submissions of overall high quality. The papers cover a wide range of topics, including categorial grammars, dependency grammars, formal language theory, grammatical inference, hyperintensional semantics, minimalism, and type-logical semantics, by authors from Australia, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, The Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom, and USA.

M. Moortgat (Universiteit Utrecht), G. K. Pullum (University of California, Santa Cruz), and M. Steedman (University of Edinburgh) presented invited talks, on "Structural Equations in Language Learning", "On the Distinction between Model-Theoretic and Generative-Enumerative Syntactic Frameworks", and "Reconciling Type-Logical and Combinatory Extensions of Categorial Grammar" respectively.

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