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**AAAI Announces Newly Elected Fellows**

**Palo Alto, CA – August 9, 2013.** Each year AAAI recognizes a small number of distinguished AI scientists for their outstanding contributions to the theory or practice of AI by electing them AAAI Fellows — a lifetime honor. Fellows are honored for providing intellectual leadership and making significant research or service contributions to the field, usually over a period of at least a decade or more.

The following individuals join this outstanding group of individuals in the AI field. (For a complete list of AI Fellows please see <http://www.aaai.org/Awards/fellows-list.php>.)

**Bonnie Dorr**, University of Maryland

For significant contributions to natural language understanding and representation, and development of the widely recognized methods for interlingual machine translation.

**Tim Finin**, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

For significant contributions to the theory and practice of knowledge sharing in multiagent systems and on the Web, and for sustained service to the AI community.

**Lise Getoor**, University of Maryland

For significant contributions to methods which combine probabilistic and logical representations in machine learning, knowledge discovery, graph mining, network analysis, and database systems.

**Sven Koenig**, University of Southern California

For significant contributions to planning and decision making in situated agents.

**Lillian Lee**, Cornell University

For significant contributions to natural language processing, including in sentiment analysis and in drawing connections to the social sciences.

**Gerald J. Tesauro**, IBM TJ Watson Research Center

For significant contributions to neural computation, game-playing (Backgammon, Chess and Jeopardy!), autonomic computing, and economic agents.

**Mirosław Truszczyński**, University of Kentucky

For significant contributions to the theory of nonmonotonic reasoning and to the invention of answer set programming.

**Qiang Yang**, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

For significant contributions to fundamental research and practical applications of AI planning, data mining and case-based reasoning.

An official dinner and ceremony was held in their honor during the AAAI-13 Conference (<http://www.aaai.org/Conferences/AAAI/aaai13.php>) in Bellevue, Washington, USA on July 16, 2013.

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#### **About AAAI**

Founded in 1979, the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence ([www.aaai.org](http://www.aaai.org)) is a nonprofit scientific membership society devoted to advancing the science and practice of AI. Its mission is to: (1) advance the scientific understanding of the mechanisms underlying intelligent thought and behavior, (2) facilitate their embodiment in machines, (3) serve as an information resource for research planners and the general public concerning trends in AI, and (4) offer training for the current and coming generations of AI researchers and practitioners. AAAI sponsors numerous conference, workshops, and symposia each year.