

Conference Report and Journal Launch, Beijing, China, June 8-9, 2017, the National Science Library of China (NSLC) (<http://www.las.cas.cn/>) hosted the first Data Analysis and Knowledge Discovery conference (<http://www.dakd.org:8081>) and Big Data Analysis for Decision-Making workshop. A total of 266 delegates from 69 affiliations across the country gathered in Beijing Xiangshan for the event.

The meeting received a total of 56 paper submissions. The chief editor Dr. Xiaolin Zhang of the Journal of Data Analysis and Knowledge Discovery (<http://www.infotech.ac.cn/>) presided over the opening ceremony. After the director of the NSLC, Dr. Xiangyang Huang, welcomed participants, 24 well-known experts from various research institutes, universities and library information institutes made presentations or demonstrations. Topics covered included Data mining, Semantic computing, Content analysis, Knowledge discovery, Intelligent decision making, Machine learning and Digital humanities. Participants discussed everything from abstract data science theory to the specifics of service platforms and mechanisms.

This meeting took its name from the Journal of Data Analysis and Knowledge Discovery, which is the new name of and direction for the former Journal of Modern Library and Information Technologies. The first editorial meeting was held one day before the conference. 31 of 46 editorial committee members attended the meeting and discussed the progress of the journal as well as research in the related disciplines.

NSLC publishes 17 academic journals, including the new Journal of Data Analysis and Knowledge Discovery. The new journal aims to cultivate data related research in China and promote data driven knowledge discovery and decision making.

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