Preface

The Requirements Engineering @ Brazil 2013 (ER@BR 2013) event is dedicated to the discussion of concepts, methods, techniques, tools, and applications associated with Requirements Engineering. It will focus on the Brazilian Requirements Engineering community addressing concerns related to three general viewpoints: research, practice and government.

It will be organized with short presentations, posters and panels, aiming to stimulate the dialogue between scientists, educators, professionals and students. The intention is to exchange experiences, present solutions as well as to survey issues and challenges in the area of Requirements Engineering.

The event is co-located with the 21st International Conference on Requirements Engineering (RE), benefiting from the common interests shared by the event and the conference. We have tried to keep the format small and informal so as to maximize interaction. We are holding a discussion-oriented event; as such the main criterion for paper acceptance in ER@BR 2013 is relevance and potential for raising discussion. Presentation times for each regular paper, ranging from 10 to 20 minutes, have been split equally into presentation and discussion. Some papers have been presented as posters.

Concerning the review process, each of the 39 submitted papers went through a thorough review process with 3 reviews from a programme committee, providing useful feedback for authors. Revised versions of the 38 accepted papers are included in these proceedings. We thank authors and reviewers for their valuable contributions. The program was completed with a keynote given by Prof. John Mylopoulos entitled “Requirements Models at Design and Runtime” and keynote given by Prof. Anthony Finkelstein entitled “The Next 10 Years: the shape of software to come and what it means for Software Engineering”. A panel on “Practices and Challenges of the Brazilian Industry in the Requirements Engineering Area was also included.

Last but not least, we want to deeply thank the organizers of the RE 2013 conference for their great support.

We look forward to lively conversations and debates with old and new friends at the workshop, in the wonderful surroundings of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil!

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