

Preface

This volume collects the papers selected for presentation at the twenty-sixth Italian Symposium on Advanced Database Systems (SEBD 2018), held at Castellaneta Marina (Taranto), Italy, at Ethra Reserve from the 24th to the 27th of June 2018.

Databases and, more generally, data management is a well-established key player in the digital transformation we are witnessing nowadays. This reflects in the papers presented in this volume whose topics span from Data mining and knowledge Discovery to Information Extraction to Semistructured Data Management and Intelligent Web Information Systems, just to cite a few. Each submission was evaluated by three independent referees. Besides regular paper, the program also featured three invited talks by Amr El Abbadi, Wenfei Fan, and Michel Dumontier, and an invited tutorial given by Massimo Bartoletti. Finally, SEBD 2018 hosted a session devoted to the discussion of ongoing research activities from Ph.D. students.

The wide spectrum of database-related topics addressed in the volume is a clear clue of the vibrant activity in the Italian scientific community, and we hope that SEBD will continue to be a gathering forum where people from academic and industrial environments meet, discuss and exchange experiences on the theory and practice of information storage and management.

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