CAISE'2011 Forum

Preface

The CAISE conference theme is linked this year with the coming Olympic and Paralympic Games, which bring together athletes from all the continents to celebrate sporting excellence but also human diversity. Diversity is an important concept for modern information systems. Information Systems (IS) are diverse by nature, as well as the processes for constructing such systems, their developers, their users… It is therefore the responsibility of the IS Engineering community to engineer information systems that operate in such diverse world. During the two last decades, essential challenges made their appearance in the area of Information Systems related to engineering, quality and interconnectivity of information systems.

The CAiSE'11 Forum is a place within the CAiSE conference for presenting and discussing new ideas and tools related to information systems engineering. Intended to serve as an interactive platform, the forum aims at the presentation of fresh ideas, emerging new topics, controversial positions, as well as demonstration of innovative systems, tools and applications. The Forum session at the CAiSE conference will facilitate the interaction, discussion, and exchange of ideas among presenters and participants.

Two types of submissions have been invited to the Forum:

(1) Visionary short papers that present innovative research projects, which are still at a relatively early stage and do not necessarily include a full-scale validation.

(2) Demo papers describing innovative tools and prototypes that implement the results of research efforts. The tools and prototypes will be presented as demos in the Forum.

CAISE'11 Forum has received a record number of 46 submissions from 24 countries (Argentine, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States of America). Among the submissions, 25 are demo papers and 21 are visionary papers.

The management of paper submission and reviews was supported by the EasyChair conference system. Selecting the papers to be accepted has been a worthwhile effort. All papers received three reviews from the members of the Program Committee and the Program Board. Eventually, 23 high quality papers have been selected; among them 16 demo papers and 7 visionary papers.

The CAISE'11 Pre-Proceedings available on this electronic support represent a collection of those 23 short research papers. Those papers included in the special proceedings issue titled "CAiSE'11 Forum" are published by CEUR.

After CAiSE'11, authors of the selected papers will be invited to submit an extended version of their papers for post-proceedings that will be published as a Springer LNBIP volume.

As the CAISE'11 Forum chair, I would like to express my gratitude to the Forum Program Board and the Program Committee for their efforts in providing very

thorough evaluations of the submitted Forum papers. I wish also to thank all authors who submitted papers to the Forum for having shared their work with us.

Last but not least, I would like to thank the CAISE'11 Program Committee Chairs and the Local Organisation Committee for their support.

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