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Preface

Agent-based technologies, developed in the Artificial Intelligence area, have become more and more important especially in more traditional Computer Science areas, like Software Engineering, where the agent abstraction is considered a natural extension of the object abstraction. The importance of these techniques is also witnessed in the industrial sector by their use in the development of tools and applications.

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This year event, celebrating the forteenth workshop edition, was co-located with the conference of the Italian Association for Artificial Intelligence. On this occasion we took stock of whether the agent technology can still be considered a scion of Artificial Intelligence and to which extent it can still be considered as connected to the object technology. We were honored to have Rafael Heitor Bordini as an invited speaker. His talk was intitled "Jason Comes of Age: 10 Years of Progress in Multi-Agent Oriented Programming".

This volume contains *sixteen* papers, selected by the Programme Committee. Each paper received at least three reviews in order to supply the authors with helpful feedback that could stimulate the research as well as foster discussion.

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