## Preface JURIX2014-DC

This volume collects the four contributions selected for the Second International Jurix Doctoral Consortium, organized in conjunction with the 27th International Conference on Legal Knowledge and Information Systems, held in Kracow on December 10–12, 2014.

This is the second year that JURIX has hosted Doctoral Consortium and the aim is to provide a proper space for young Ph.D. researchers in AI&Law, while encouraging a constructive and fruitful dialogue between the senior scholars and the emerging generation of researchers. The doctoral consortium enables students to interact with academics and experts in the field who can evaluate their research projects from both a theoretical and an applicative point of view. Young researchers have an opportunity to present and discuss their ideas in a dynamic and friendly setting, while the AI&Law community can support the new generation of researchers in carrying forward the interdisciplinary method.

Included here are the five papers from the doctoral consortium: four are selected from the Legal filed and the other from the Computer Science area. In this way we achieve the goal to integrating the two disciplines, so as to firm up the interdisciplinary foundation within the AI&Law community. The topics addressed include legal argumentation and legal reasoning, alternative dispute resolution, legal-knowledge modelling, privacy online social network model.

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