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Preface

The Italian Conference on Theoretical Computer Science (ICTCS) is the annual conference organized by the Italian Chapter of the European Association for Theoretical Computer Science (EATCS). The scope of the meeting is fostering the cross-fertilization of ideas stemming from different areas of Theoretical Computer Science. Hence, it represents an occasion for meeting and exchanging ideas and for sharing experiences between researchers; it also provides an ideal environment where junior researchers and PhD students can meet senior researchers.

Topics of interest for ICTCS are: agents, algorithms, argumentation, automata theory, automated theorem proving, complexity theory, computational logic, computational social choice, concurrency, cryptography, discrete mathematics, distributed computing, dynamical systems, formal methods, game theory, graph theory, knowledge representation languages, model checking, process algebras, quantum computing, rewriting systems, security and trust, semantics, specification and verification, systems biology, types.

This volume contains papers presented at the 17th Italian Conference on Theoretical Computer Science (ICTCS'16), held in Lecce during September 7-9, 2016, together with abstracts of invited lectures by Giampaolo Bella (Università di Catania) and Gianluigi Greco (Università della Calabria). Two types of contributions were solicited: *regular papers* and *short communications*. The former consisted in full original papers, presenting novel results, not appeared or submitted elsewhere, while the latter encompassed extended abstracts of papers already appeared, or submitted, or to be submitted elsewhere; papers reporting on ongoing researches on which the authors wished to get feedback and possibly intended to be included in future publications; overviews of PhD-theses, research projects, and so on. We received a total of 35 submissions. Regular papers and short communications were reviewed by, respectively, three and two referees who judged them for originality, quality, correctness and consistency with the topics of the conference. Based on the referees' reports, the Program Committee decided to accept a total of 29 submissions: 15 regular papers and 14 short communications.

We would like to thank all the authors who responded to the call for papers and our invited speakers Giampaolo Bella and Gianluigi Greco.

Furthermore, we thank the members of the Program Committee and the subreferees for their excellent and qualified work.

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