

Preface

This volume contains the proceedings of the *Fifth International Symposium on Functional and Logic Programming*, FLOPS 2001, held in Tokyo, Japan, March 7–9, 2001, and hosted by Waseda University.

FLOPS is a forum for research on all issues concerning functional programming and logic programming. In particular, it aims to stimulate the cross-fertilization as well as integration of the two paradigms. The previous FLOPS meetings took place in Fuji-Susono (1995), Shonan (1996), Kyoto (1998), and Tsukuba (1999). The proceedings of FLOPS'99 were published by Springer-Verlag as Lecture Notes in Computer Science, volume 1722.

There were 40 submissions, 38 of which were considered by the program committee. They came from Australia (5), Belgium ($\frac{1}{3}$), Denmark (3), Egypt (1), France ($\frac{1}{2}$), Germany ($\frac{2}{3}$), Italy ($\frac{4}{3}$), Japan (5), Korea ($\frac{1}{2}$), Mexico (1), The Netherlands ($\frac{1}{6}$), Spain ($\frac{10}{6}$), Switzerland (1), UK ($\frac{5}{6}$), and USA ($\frac{1}{2}$). Each paper was reviewed by at least three, and mostly four, reviewers. The Program Committee meeting was conducted electronically for the period of two weeks in November 2000. As the result of active discussions, 21 papers (52.5%) were selected for presentation, which appear in this volume. In addition, we are very pleased to include in this volume full papers by three distinguished invited speakers, namely Gopalan Nadathur, George Necula, and Taisuke Sato.

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