

# Preface

In 2016, the 6th international conference on Model and Data Engineering (MEDI 2016) took place in Aguadulce, Almería, Spain, during September 21–23. The main objective of the conference is to bridge the gap between model engineering and data engineering and to allow researchers to discuss recent trends in the field. It follows the success of previous conferences held in Óbidos (Portugal, 2011), Poitiers (France, 2012), Armantea (Italy, 2013), Larnaca (Cyprus 2014), and Rhodes (Greece 2015).

MEDI 2016 received 62 submissions covering both model and data engineering activities. These papers focus on a wide spectrum of topics, covering fundamental contributions, applications and tool developments, and improvements. Each paper was reviewed by at least three reviewers and the Program Committee accepted 17 long papers and 10 short papers leading to an attractive scientific program.

For this year's event, two internationally recognized researchers were invited to give a talk. Schahram Dustdar from TU Wien, Austria gave a talk entitled "Towards Cyber-Physical-Social Systems - Towards a New Paradigm for Elastic Distributed Systems" reporting the progress achieved with distributed systems, and Ulrich Frank from Universität Duisburg-Essen, Germany gave a talk entitled "Multi-Perspective Enterprise Modelling and Future Enterprise Systems" reporting the progress achieved with enterprise modelling. We would like to thank the two invited speakers for their contributions to the success of MEDI 2016.

MEDI 2016 would not have succeeded without the deep investment and involvement of the Program Committee members and the external reviewers, who contributed to reviewing (more than 186 reviews) and selecting the best contributions. This event would not exist if authors and contributors did not submit their proposals. We address our thanks to every person, reviewer, author, Program Committee member, and organization committee member involved in the success of MEDI 2016.

The Easy Chair system was set up for the management of MEDI 2016, supporting submission, review, and volume preparation processes. It proved to be a powerful framework.

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