

Preface

The 7th Brazilian Workshop on Agile Methods (WBMA 2016) was held during November 7–9, 2016, in Curitiba, Brazil. The workshop is the research track in the Agile Brazil conference. WBMA is an academic event that focuses on agile software development.

This year's edition comes with a history of success. Our past editions received an impressive number of both paper submissions and attendees (students, researchers, and practitioners) from different countries. We repeated the success this year and influenced even more academic integration in an industrial context. We believe this integration create ideas, opportunities, and innovations for all involved.

We received 35 submissions (40% of acceptance rate). All the accepted papers were peer reviewed by three referees and evaluated on the basis of technical quality, relevance, significance, and clarity. The Organizing Committee decided to accept ten full papers and four short papers. Accepted papers in this edition present empirical results and literature reviews on: agile implementation in government and distributed environments; design thinking and projects inception; testing and technical debt; motivation and gamification; training, modeling, and project management; maturity models; and quality assurance. In order to improve the quality of papers and reviews, the Organizing Committee offered two prizes in this edition: best paper and best reviewer awards.

This CCIS volume comprises peer-reviewed versions of ten full papers and four short papers.

The organizers thank the Program Committee members for their contributions, and would especially like to thank all those who submitted papers, even though only a fraction could be accepted. We also thank Springer for producing these high-quality proceedings of WBMA 2016.

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