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Foreword

ETAPS 2002 was the fifth instance of the European Joint Conferences on Theory and Practice of Software. ETAPS is an annual federated conference that was established in 1998 by combining a number of existing and new conferences. This year it comprised 5 conferences (FOSSACS, FASE, ESOP, CC, TACAS), 13 satellite workshops (ACL2, AGT, CMCS, COCV, DCC, INT, LDTA, SC, SFEDL, SLAP, SPIN, TPTS, and VISS), 8 invited lectures (not including those specific to the satellite events), and several tutorials.

The events that comprise ETAPS address various aspects of the system development process, including specification, design, implementation, analysis, and improvement. The languages, methodologies, and tools which support these activities are all well within its scope. Different blends of theory and practice are represented, with an inclination towards theory with a practical motivation on one hand and soundly-based practice on the other. Many of the issues involved in software design apply to systems in general, including hardware systems, and the emphasis on software is not intended to be exclusive.

ETAPS is a loose confederation in which each event retains its own identity, with a separate program committee and independent proceedings. Its format is open-ended, allowing it to grow and evolve as time goes by. Contributed talks and system demonstrations are in synchronized parallel sessions, with invited lectures in plenary sessions. Two of the invited lectures are reserved for “unifying” talks on topics of interest to the whole range of ETAPS attendees. The aim of cramming all this activity into a single one-week meeting is to create a strong magnet for academic and industrial researchers working on topics within its scope, giving them the opportunity to learn about research in related areas, and thereby to foster new and existing links between work in areas that were formerly addressed in separate meetings.

ETAPS 2002 was organized by the Laboratoire Verimag in cooperation with

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January 2002

José Luiz Fiadeiro

Preface

This volume contains the papers selected for presentation at the 11th European Symposium on Programming (ESOP 2002), which took place in Grenoble, France, April 8-10, 2002. ESOP is an annual conference devoted to the design, specification, and analysis of programming languages and programming systems. Special emphasis was placed on research that bridges the gap between theory and practice.

The contributions of ESOP 2002 can be classified in three main categories:

- Typing and modularity.
- Programming paradigms (including distributed programming, lambda calculus, and domain specific languages).
- Program analysis (principles and applications) and program verification.

The volume begins with an invited contribution by Greg Morrisett. The remaining 21 papers were selected by the program committee from 73 submissions, and include one short paper which accompanied a tool demonstration.

Each submission was reviewed by at least three referees, and papers were selected during the latter stage of a two-week discussion phase. I would like to express my gratitude to the program committee and their referees (see below) for their care in reviewing and selecting the submitted papers. I am also very grateful to Tiziana Margaria, Martin Karusseit, and the Metaframe team for their support of the conference management software. Last but not least, many thanks to José Luiz Fiadeiro, Susanne Graf, and the ETAPS team for providing a well-organized framework for the conference.

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