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Preface

The international Conference on Intelligent Tutoring Systems ITS-92 is the second conference to be held in this series. The first one was organized in Montréal, in 1988. The success of ITS-88 and the numerous demands received for organizing a second conference demonstrated the need for a regular and highly refereed international conference which should be held every four years.

The program committee includes members from 14 countries. Contributions were received from 22 countries. This is a notable increase since ITS-88 where respectively 8 and 16 countries were represented.

This proceedings volume contains 72 papers selected by the Program Committee from 160 papers submitted. They are preceded by six invited lectures from renowned speakers. Each paper was reviewed by at least 3 referees. The papers cover a wide range of subjects including learning environments, architectures for ITS, knowledge representation in ITS, cognitive models, help and advisory systems, formal models, empirical studies, student modeling, teaching and learning strategies, software tools for tutoring, design issues, alternatives to one-to-one tutoring, real world applications.

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