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## **Preface**

This volume contains the papers presented at IAS-15, the 15th International Conference on Intelligent Autonomous Systems, one of the premier forums for the exchange of latest research results in the field of autonomous systems, its applications, and its impact on our society held on June 11–15, 2018, in Baden-Baden, Germany.

IAS-15 belongs to the most traditional robotics events, and we are proud to host it in Baden-Baden again. The goal of the IAS conference is to bring together leading researchers interested in all aspects of autonomy and adaptivity of artificial systems. One of the driving forces of this conference is the observation that intelligence and autonomy are best studied and demonstrated using various mobile robots acting autonomously in large rough terrain, underwater, air, or space under challenging conditions.

For the second time, the International Conference on Intelligent Autonomous Systems (IAS) is held in Baden-Baden and for the first time is organized by the three institutions DHBW, KIT, and FZI in Karlsruhe and strongly supported by the University of Padova.

The total amount of 97 papers have been submitted to IAS-15 with latest research accomplishments, innovations, and visions in the field of robotics, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and its applications. Each paper was evaluated by two to four reviewers, and finally, 78 papers have been accepted for presentation at the conference after several rebuttal iterations. Additionally, two invited talks are included in the conference proceedings.

The papers contained in the proceedings cover a wide spectrum of research in intelligent autonomous systems including multi-agent systems, motion planning, robot control, handling uncertainty with probabilistic logic, navigation, human—machine interaction, computer vision and perception as well as unmanned aerial systems and unmanned driving.

The proceedings include all accepted papers and reflect a variety of topics concerning intelligent autonomous systems and their impact to industry and society. The organizers would like to express their gratitude to all contributors in the preparation phase and during the evaluation phase and the conference. Thanks to

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this additional assistance, IAS-15 could be such a success. We would especially like to thank the program committee members for their valuable support and for the preparation of the reviews, which allowed to make a proper selection of high-quality papers. The staff of the three organizing institutions took a great part in planning and organizing the conference. Thanks to VDI/VDE for supporting the organization of the conference and to the sponsoring companies Sick AG, Bosch AG, and Intel for their financial support making this event possible.

We hope that this proceedings, and especially the participation in the IAS-15 conference and its related events, inspires new ideas, fosters new research, and creates new friendships which grow into fruitful collaborations.

Finally, we thank the city of Baden-Baden for hosting IAS for the second time. Organizing IAS-15 was a wonderful experience, and we hope that the conference gives its participants as much pleasure as we had when preparing it. Enjoy the proceedings of IAS-15.

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