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Preface

The present book includes extended and revised versions of a set of selected papers from the 7th International Conference on Cloud Computing and Services Science (CLOSER 2017), held in Porto, Portugal, during April 24–26, 2017.

CLOSER 2017 received 102 paper submissions from 33 countries of which 28% are included in this book. The papers were selected by the event chairs and their selection is based on a number of criteria that include the classifications and comments provided by the Program Committee members, the session chairs' assessment, and also the program chairs' global view of all papers included in the technical program. The authors of selected papers were then invited to submit a revised and extended version of their papers having at least 30% innovative material.

The 7th International Conference on Cloud Computing and Services Science, CLOSER 2017, focused on the emerging area of cloud computing inspired by some of the latest advances that concern the infrastructure, operations, and available services through the global network. Furthermore, the conference considers as essential the link to services science, acknowledging the service orientation in most current IT-driven collaborations. The conference is nevertheless not about the union of these two (already broad) fields, but about cloud computing where we are also interested in how services science can provide theory, methods and techniques to design, analyze, manage, market, and study various aspects of cloud computing.

The papers selected to be included in this book contribute to the understanding of relevant trends of current research ranging from cloud infrastructure-level virtualization to service science in various application domains. Directions that emerge as being of particular importance are resource elasticity, performance, and energy, and how they are monitored and optimized. Furthermore, how to migrate and architect for the cloud is an ongoing challenge. The effective orchestration and provisioning of cloud services is another specific focus of current research. Recent technology advancements like containers have also been investigated in terms of their benefits as an application deployment framework.

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