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Preface

This volume contains selected papers from CLA 2006, the 4th International Conference on Concept Lattices and Their Applications. CLA 2006 was held in Hammamet, Tunisia, from October 30 to November 1, 2006, and was organized jointly by the El-Manar University (Computer Science Department, Faculty of Sciences), Tunis, and the Université Centrale, Tunis. The main areas of interest relevant to CLA include formal concept analysis (FCA), foundations of FCA, mathematical structures related to FCA, relationship of FCA to other methods of data analysis, visualization of data in FCA, and applications of FCA.

The conference received 41 submitted papers. This volume contains 18 papers (13 long, 5 short) selected from the submitted papers which were accepted and presented at the conference (selection rate 0.44). Contributions to CLA 2006 were refereed by at least three reviewers on the basis of their originality, quality, significance, and presentation. When one of the Program Chairs was involved in a paper, the reviewing process of this paper was managed independently by the other chair. When both of the Program Chairs were co-authors, Radim Belohlavek managed the reviewing process of those papers.

The program of CLA 2006 also included four invited talks by Rudolf Wille (TU-Darmstadt, Germany), Claudio Carpineto (FUB, Rome, Italy), Peter Eklund (University of Wollongong, Australia), Amedeo Napoli (LORIA, Nancy, France), and a tutorial by Radim Belohlavek (Palacky University, Olomouc, Czech Republic). Three papers based on the invited talks are a part of this volume.

We would like to express our thanks to the authors who submitted their papers to CLA 2006, to the invited speakers, to the members of Program Committee who managed the review of papers, to the additional reviewers, to the members of the Organization Committee, as well as to the conference attendees, who all helped make CLA 2006 a successful event.

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