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Preface

The 2012 European Conference on Modelling Foundations and Applications (ECMFA 2012) was held at the Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Kgs. Lyngby, Denmark, during July 2–5, 2012.

ECMFA is the key European conference aiming at advancing the techniques and furthering the underlying knowledge related to model-driven engineering. Model-driven engineering (MDE) is a software development approach based on the use of models for the specification, design, analysis, synthesis, deployment, testing and maintenance of complex software systems, aiming to produce high-quality systems at lower costs. In the past seven years, ECMFA has provided an ideal venue for interaction among researchers interested in MDE both from academia and industry. The eighth edition of the conference covered major advances in foundational research and industrial applications of MDE.

In 2012, the Program Committee received 106 abstracts, which finally materialized into 81 full paper submissions. From these, 20 Foundations track papers and 10 Applications track papers were accepted for presentation at the conference and publication in these proceedings. This indicates the level of competition that occurred during the selection process. The submission and the reviewing processes were administered by EasyChair, which greatly facilitated these tasks. Papers on all aspects of MDE were received, including topics such as architectural modeling and product lines, code generation, domain-specific modeling, metamodeling, model analysis and verification, model management, model transformation and simulation. The breadth of topics and the high quality of the results presented in these accepted papers demonstrate the maturity and vibrancy of the field.

The ECMFA 2012 keynote speakers were Henrik Lönn, from VOLVO Technology in Sweden, and Ed Seidewitz, from Model Driven Solutions in the USA. Abstracts of their talks are included in these proceedings. We thank them very much for accepting our invitation and for their enlightening talks.

We are grateful to our Program Committee members for providing their expertise and quality and timely reviews. Their helpful and constructive feedback to all authors is most appreciated. We thank the ECMFA Conference Steering Committee for their advice and help. We also thank our sponsors, both keynote speakers and all authors who submitted papers to ECMFA 2012. Alfred Hofmann and the Springer team were really helpful with the publication of this volume.

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