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The field of information systems analysis and design includes numerous information modeling methods and notations (e.g., ER, ORM, UML, DFDs, BPMN) that are typically evolving. Even with some attempts toward standardization (e.g., UML for object-oriented design), new modeling methods are constantly being introduced, many of which differ only marginally from existing approaches. These ongoing changes significantly impact the way information systems are analyzed and designed in practice. This workshop focuses on exploring, evaluating, and enhancing current information modeling methods and methodologies. Though the need for such studies is well recognized, there is a paucity of such research in the literature.

The objective of EMMSAD 2011 was to provide a forum for researchers and practitioners interested in modeling methods in systems analysis and design to meet and exchange research ideas and results. It also gave the participants an opportunity to present their research papers and experience reports, and to take part in open discussions.

EMMSAD 2011 was the 16th in a very successful series of EMMSAD events, previously held in Heraklion, Barcelona, Pisa, Heidelberg, Stockholm, Interlaken, Toronto, Velden, Riga, Porto, Luxembourg, Trondheim, Montpellier, Amsterdam and Hammamet. This year we had 31 submissions by authors from 16 different countries (Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Malaysia, The Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, the UK, and the USA). The management of paper submission and reviews was facilitated by use of the EasyChair conference system. After an extensive review process by a distinguished international Program Committee, with each paper receiving at least three reviews, we accepted the 16 papers that appear in these proceedings. Congratulations to the successful authors!

Apart from the contribution by paper authors, the quality of this conference depended in no small way on the generous contribution of time and effort by the Program Committee and the additional reviewers. Their work is greatly appreciated. Continuing with our very successful collaboration with IFIP WG 8.1 that started in 1997, this year's conference was again a joint activity of CAiSE and WG 8.1. We are also grateful for the sponsorship of the European INTEROP Network of Excellence, AIS-SIGSAND, the Enterprise Engineering Network, and the ORM Foundation. For more information on past and future EMMSAD conferences, please see our website <http://www.emmsad.org>

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