Welcome Message from the OSA Workshop Chairs

With competitiveness issues dominating the allocation of resources and the design of information systems, business process security is often put aside. However, once the processes fail, it becomes apparent that security is a core component of a resilient process. The reasons why the execution of business processes may be interrupted are manifold and are addressed by several fields of research.

As organizational, technological and legal aspects of security must be dealt with in a combined way, this workshop focuses on an integrated view of the areas contributing to the security of business processes. Rising threats and exploits that are making use of the current isolated views on IT security that often result in holes which serve as an invitation for intruders painfully show the existing deficits.

That is why it is so important to look at organizational aspects of IT security in the context of the ever increasing dependence of companies on their more and more IT-support processes and the consequently central questions of business process and technology resilience.

After last year’s very successful workshop, we look forward to the discussions again developing around an interesting range of topics represented by the papers accepted for this workshop.