FOREWORD

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the 15th Workshop on Early Aspects – EA 2009. This year’s workshop continues its tradition of being the premier forum for identification, modularization, representation and composition of crosscutting concerns during the requirements engineering and architecture derivation activities. This edition of the workshop provides a forum for an open set of early-aspects related topics, without restricting to a specific theme or domain.

The main topics covered by the accepted papers are identification, elicitation, and interactions of early aspects, traceability and evolution of early aspects, and solution to address point-cut fragility. The workshop is intended to be an interactive event, with an important part of the workshop schedule reserved for group discussion and overall conclusions on the topics raised by the presentations, as well as elicited by the reviewers and participants from the accepted papers. We hope that these proceedings will serve as a valuable reference for early aspects researchers and developers.

Putting together EA 2009 was a team effort. First of all, we would like to thank the authors for providing the content of the program. We would like to express our gratitude to the steering committee, the program committee and external reviewers, who worked hard in reviewing papers and providing suggestions for their improvements. We would also like to thank ICSE organizers for their support to collocate this workshop with ICSE 2008. Finally, we also thank our sponsors, AOSD-Europe Network of Excellence, http://www.aosd-europe.net/, (EC Grant: IST-2-004349) for its continued support of these successful workshops and EC FP7 project DiVA: Dynamic Variability in Adaptive Systems (EC Grant: IST-215412) for supporting the present edition.

We hope that you will find this program interesting and thought-provoking and that the workshop will provide you with a valuable opportunity to share ideas with other researchers and practitioners from institutions around the world.

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