Foreword

These proceedings contain the papers presented at the Software Engineering Environments Conference held at the Leeuwenhorst Congrescentrum, Noordwijkerhout, The Netherlands, April 5-7, 1995. This was the seventh conference in the series. Previous conferences have been held in the UK in York, Lancaster, Keele, Durham, Aberystwyth, and Reading.

The conferences on Software Engineering Environments are the premier professional meetings in a European location dedicated to review, discuss, debate, and learn about the most recent and exciting developments in the field — literally from around the world.

In the decade since the first conference in this series, the field of software engineering environments has matured a great deal, as shown by the existence of major research and development projects and many new commercial products. However, it is also necessary to examine what we have already learned from what we are doing. From this consideration, the conference took its theme — Technology and Usage — and in presentation and discussion sessions, we examined the principles and models, architecture and design, experiments and experiences of researchers and practitioners in the entire field of software engineering environments.

All of the extended abstracts were refereed by three members of the program committee, whom I would like to thank for their thoughtful reviews that helped maintain the technical excellence of this conference. I would also like to thank these individuals for chairing the sessions at the conference.

In particular, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Gregor Engels and Ray Welland for their assistance with the organization of the conference, and to Phil Mair for arranging the exhibition that took place in parallel with the conference. Additionally, I would like to acknowledge my gratitude to the presenters for providing the excellent material of the conference, and to the attendees for their participation.

Also, I would like to recognize the valuable support of the OMNIS and the Sema Group, as well as the IEEE Computer Society for their sponsorship, which enabled the conference to take place, and the IEEE Computer Society Press for the production of these proceedings.

Finally, I offer an invitation to all readers of these proceedings to become a part of the Eighth Conference on Software Engineering Environments to be held in 1997. Please contact us at see97@mail.sema.co.uk (Malcolm Verrall) for more information.

I hope you enjoy reading these papers as much as I have. Welcome to SEE’95.

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