Preface

Welcome to the eleventh edition of the Experimental Software Engineering Latin American Workshop (ESELAW 2014) held at Pucón, Chile; organized by the University of La Frontera, from 23th to 25th of April 2014.

Over more than a decade, ESELAW has become an important forum for researchers and practitioners to report on and discuss new research results in Experimental Software Engineering, bringing together Latin America’s academic, industrial and commercial communities. The workshop encourages the exchange of ideas to understand the strengths and weaknesses of software engineering technologies, focusing on the process, design and structure of empirical studies, as well as on results from specific studies. To strengthen its goal of becoming a landmark event on Experimental Software Engineering related topics in Iberoamerica, since 2011, ESELAW has been held into the context of CIbSE – the leading research forum on Software Engineering in Ibero-America. ESELAW 2014 received a total of 38 papers from 15 different countries written in any of three official languages of the conference (Spanish, Portuguese and English). The papers were peer reviewed by 2-4 members of the Program Committee, composed of prominent researchers from the community. After a tough revision process, 9 full high-quality scientific works addressing issues on experimentation in software engineering under different perspectives were accepted. It results in an acceptance rate of 23,68%, which shows the rigour of the process. The effort and dedication of the Program Committee and the additional reviewers who collaborated in the revision process were outstanding and deserve recognition.

This year’s program has been structured in three technical sessions: “TS1 – Experimental Assessment”, “TS2 – Mapping Studies and Approaches to Support Empirical Software Engineering”, and “TS3 – Industry Oriented Studies”.

We would like to acknowledge all people that have made possible the organization of ESELAW 2014: the authors who submitted their papers; the Program Committee members and the additional reviewers who made possible the conference program; and the organizing committee members who handled all the complexity of arranging an event such as CIbSE 2014. Finally, we want to offer a warm welcome to all speakers, authors, students and general audience who attend ESELAW 2014. We hope you enjoy the event.

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