

Foreword

This volume contains the proceedings of the 1998 international symposium on static analysis (SAS'98) which was held in Pisa (Italy), on September 14-16, 1998 and was part of a federated conference with ALP-PLILP'98 and several workshops. SAS'98 is the annual conference and forum for researchers in all aspects of static analysis. It follows to SAS'94, SAS'95, SAS'96 and SAS'97 which were held respectively in Namur (Belgium), Glasgow (UK), Aachen (Germany) and Paris (France), and the international workshops WSA'92 held in Bordeaux (France) and WSA'93 held in Padova (Italy).

In response to the call for papers, 48 papers were submitted. All papers were reviewed by at least three reviewers and the program committee met in Pisa to select 20 papers based on the referee reports. There was a consensus at the meeting that the technical papers were of very high quality. In addition to the submitted papers, SAS'98 had a number of outstanding invited speakers. Roberto Giacobazzi, Peter Lee, Amir Pnueli, Dave Schmidt, Scott Smolka, and Bernhard Steffen accepted our invitation to give invited talks or tutorials. Some of the papers (or abstracts) based on these talks are also included in this volume.

SAS'98 has been fortunate to rely on a number of individuals and organizations. I want to thank all the program committee members and referees, for their hard work in producing the reviews and for such a smooth and enjoyable program committee meeting. Special thanks go to the conference chairman, Maurizio Gabbrielli, and to my students in Pisa who helped me a lot. More special thanks go to Vladimiro Sassone, who made available to SAS'98 his excellent system for handling submissions and reviews on the web, and to Ernesto Lastres and Renè Moreno who were my "system managers". The use of this system made my life of program chairman much easier and I strongly recommend it to future program chairpersons.

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