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A bit of history…


- The SeCoGIS workshop results from the fusion of two early series of workshops:
Worshop’s objectives

- The SeCoGIS workshop brings together researchers, developers, users, and practitioners carrying out research and development in geographic information systems.

- The aim is to stimulate discussions on the integration of conceptual modeling and semantics into current geographic information systems, and how this will benefit the end users.
This year edition

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Workshop organization

Program Chairs: Esteban Zimányi and Roland Billen
And Pierre Hallot, Université de Liège (co-editor).
This edition of the workshop attracted papers from 15 different countries distributed all over the world: Brazil, Argentina, Chile, USA, Canada, France, Italy, Spain, Germany, Belgium, The Netherlands, Austria, Macedonia – FYROM, Morocco and New-Zealand.

We received 19 papers from which the Program Committee selected 6 papers, making an acceptance rate of 32%.

The accepted papers Cover a wide range of issues; consistency and integration, refined spatial relationships and conceptual model transformation rules.
Session 1 - Topology

Tuesday 11:00-12:30
Chair: Roland Billen

- “Cognitive Adequacy of Topological Consistency Measures”, Nieves R. Brisaboa, Miguel R. Luaces and Andrea Rodriguez

- “Referring Expressions in Location Based Services: The case of the 'Opposite' Relation”, Phil Bartie, Femke Reitsma, Eliseo Clementini and Simon Kingham

- “The Neighborhood Conguration Model. a New Framework To Distinguish Topological Relationships between Complex Volumes”, Tao Chen and Markus Schneider (Video Conference)
Keynote

Tuesday 14:00-15:30
Chair: Max Egenhofer (University of Maine, USA)

- «Semantic modelling and vario-scale geo-information», Peter van Oosterom (Delft University, The Netherlands)
Session 2 – Topology and semantics

Tuesday 16:00-17:30

Chair: Eliseo Clementini (University of L'Aquila, Italy)

- “Towards Modeling Dynamic Behavior with Integrated Qualitative Spatial Relations”, Stefan Mitsch, Werner Retschitzegger and Wieland Schwinger

- “Transforming conceptual spatiotemporal model into Object model with semantic keeping”, Chamseddine Zaki, Myriam Servieres and Guillaume Moreau

- “Reasoning with Complements”, Max Egenhofer
We hope that this year workshop will be valuable for you.