Message from the Conference Chairs

We are proud to present a set of high-quality research papers on a range of interesting and timely topics in Agile and Lean software development. These accepted papers from the Research Stage at Agile India 2012 are now archived in the IEEE digital library.

The Research Stage received 22 submissions from a number of international universities and research institutions and of these, eight were full paper submissions of up to ten pages each, 11 were short paper submissions of up to four pages each, and three were two pages position paper submissions. We desk rejected one paper as not being relevant to the conference theme and passed on four others to relevant practitioner stages. The rest went through the review process. A total of 14 out of 22 submitted papers were accepted for presentation at the conference.

Full research paper presentations were distributed across the conference, within relevant practitioner stages such as Enterprise Agile, Lean Principles and Practices, and DevOps in order to allow researchers to showcase their research to and receive feedback from both practitioner and researcher communities. A special Research Café was organized to allow for more research-focused discussions and presentation of short and position papers, followed by an Open Space for discussing the issues related to “Researching Agile.”

We are extremely grateful to our program committee for their valuable and timely reviews of papers. Our world-class program committee members consisted of international experts on Agile and Lean software development from across the globe, such as from Brazil, Canada, Denmark, India, Ireland, Israel, Malaysia, New Zealand, Norway, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, and United States. The program committee submitted a total of 39 reviews where each paper received at least two and up to three reviews.

We thank the Conference Chair Naresh Jain and Program Co-Chairs Siddharta Govindaraj and Dr.Venkat Subramaniam for their strong support of the Research Stage.

We are very pleased and encouraged to have received such a great response from the Agile and Lean communities of researchers and expert reviewers to Agile India 2012. We are extremely hopeful about the future of this conference and particularly, that of the Research Stage.

We hope you will find these research papers both informative and interesting and enjoy reading the proceedings as much as we enjoyed organizing the Research Stage at Agile India 2012.

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