

ES 2018 Preface

Enterprise Systems (ES), also referred to as Enterprise Information Systems (EIS), have become increasingly popular over the last 20 years because they integrate and extend business processes across the boundaries of business functions and corporate walls, as well as country border lines. The International Conference on Enterprise Systems (ES) has been held every year since 2013. This year, the sixth in the series is held in Limassol, Cyprus, 1–2 October, 2018.

ES 2018 brings together scholars and researchers addressing critical research topics in Enterprise Systems, and covers both the technical and application aspects of enterprise systems and the complex and cross-disciplinary problems of enterprise integration, as well as the new technological frontiers such as Industrial Integration, Industrial Information Integration, and Industry 4.0.. Apart from that, the conference deals with methods and technologies for the development, adoption, and application of context-rich enterprise systems leading to smart machines or intelligent cloud services, especially in the Big Data era.

The selection process this year was competitive: we received 65 submissions, which reflects the recognition of and interest in this conference. Each submitted paper was reviewed by three members of the Program Committee. Following this independent review, there were some discussions among reviewers and chairs. A total of 32 papers were selected as full or short papers to be presented at the conference as well as be included in the conference proceedings published by IEEE CPS. We believe that those accepted papers provide interesting viewpoints and good starting points for discussion during the conference.

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