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Preface

We are happy to present the proceedings of the 2011 Workshop on Predictability and Performance in Embedded Systems, held in March 2011 in Grenoble, France, as a satellite event of the Conference on Design, Automation & Test in Europe (DATE).

The PPES workshop is concerned with critical hard real-time systems that have to satisfy both efficiency and predictability requirements. For example, an electronic controller for a safety-critical system in an automobile needs to react not only correctly to external inputs such as rapid deceleration or loss of grip, but also provably within a given time-span. This topic of *reconciling predictability and performance* has received much interest in recent years, in particular considering its growing relevance and complexity with the advent of multi-core systems with shared resources.

The advancements in these fields, however, have been discussed mostly in the standard venues (general conferences, workshops, journals). The aim of this workshop is twofold:

- to present the results achieved and tools developed by various researchers, in particular to industrial end users;
- and to present the industrial viewpoint on needs and challenges which need to be tackled for applicability.

To this end, the workshop comprises an invited presentation by Ottmar Bender of Cassidian Electronics on *Predictability and Performance Requirements in Avionics Systems*, a panel discussion on *Predictability and Performance in Industrial Practice*, and a number of paper presentations. In this first instance of the workshop, we received 14 submissions. After a careful review, 7 submissions covering various aspects of predictability and performance have been selected to appear in these proceedings. We would like to thank all authors for submitting their work to this first instance of the workshop despite the tight deadlines.

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