PREFACE


The two-day programme of FICS 2009 consisted of three invited and 15 contributed talks. The invited talks were delivered by Robin Cockett (University of Calgary), Javier Esparza (Technische Universität München) and Yde Venema (Universiteit van Amsterdam). The contributed talks were selected by an international programme committee based on 22 submitted extended abstracts. The informal proceedings volume of the workshop was published by the Institute of Cybernetics, Tallinn.

This issue of Theor. Inf. Appl. comprises full papers corresponding to five of the contributed talks of FICS 2009. A further long article (fundamental study) documenting the invited talk of Cockett on implicit computational complexity, categorical programming and inductive and coinductive types will appear elsewhere.

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