Preface of the “3rd Symposium on Modelling and Simulation in Computer Sciences and Engineering”

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The 3rd Symposium on Modelling and Simulation in Computer Sciences and Engineering was held at the 14th International Conference of Numerical Analysis and Applied Mathematics (ICNAAM 2016), Rhodes, Greece, 19-25 September 2016.

Modelling and simulation, applied to computer science and engineering, is an exciting research area that uses the computational power of modern information processing systems to improve our understanding about the real world. Computer simulations and graphical visualizations play a fundamental role in developing mathematical models to examine problems that would be too expensive, too much dangerous, or even impossible to study by direct experimentation. Moreover, virtual prototyping, using modelling and simulating software, is a keystone process to bring down the overall cost of designing and developing novel products. Indeed, the rising number of organizations using these technologies has led to a dramatic increase in demand for better research and skilled professionals in this research area.

As in the first and second symposiums, that were great successes in ICNAAM 2014 and ICNAAM 2015, the aim of this 3rd Symposium was to provide research regarding modelling and simulation techniques applied to the physical sciences and engineering, where the purpose of the section activities was to discuss theoretical studies and experimental results with interest in several topics like modelling in engineering sciences and technology, dynamical systems models and methods, and computational methods in engineering, computer science modelling and simulation, computer networks modelling, optimization, simulation and control theory, stochastic optimization, numerical methods and simulation, systems modelling, computational mathematics, analysis of mathematical models, algorithms and data structures, software design, control and systems engineering.

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