Preface

Business rules and external regulations are increasingly becoming important in information systems engineering. Systems, processes and services have to operate according to the rules, they have to be easily or dynamically adaptable in case of changes, and the rules and regulations have to be identifiable and traceable. This has strong implications for the architecture, modeling, management, and execution frameworks of enterprise systems.

Contracts, rules, standards and regulations are everywhere and apply to a large variety of fields: financial services, health, insurance, e-business, enterprise application integration, privacy, transport, safety, security. Because of their growing complexity, frequent changes, integration, globalization, and on the other hand the need for instant change and flexibility, the importance of dealing with rules and regulations in information systems is increasing dramatically. The objectives of the workshop are mainly to share research and experience on methods used to model, validate and verify, deploy and adapt information systems based on extensive existing rules and regulations.

Modeling and deploying rules and regulations of various kinds in enterprise systems, is a highly interdisciplinary challenge. This workshop tries to provide a forum for researchers from diverse backgrounds (formal systems, enterprise architecture, business process management, regulatory compliance, distributed systems, business rules). Through this interdisciplinary workshop, we expect to encourage fruitful exchanges between these scientific communities in order to advance the field of information systems engineering.

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