Preface

This book contains the proceedings of the IFIP Working Group 8.6 Conference, which was organized by University West and held in Ljungskile, Sweden, in August 2016. The aim of the IFIP Working Group 8.6 is to foster the understanding of and improve research in practice, methods, and techniques involved in the transfer and diffusion of information technology within systems that are developed and in the development process itself.

The theme of the 2016 conference was “Diffusion of IS for Learning New Practices.” The theme aims to encourage research into the challenges for learning and competent acting with regards to diffusion, adoption, and implementation of various forms of information technology. We aimed to address issues related to learning new practices from both the organizational and societal perspectives traditionally covered by IFIP Working Group 8.6.

A total of 11 manuscripts were submitted for the conference. The Program Committee undertook a double-blind reviewing process with at least two reviews for each paper. The four chairs used the reviews as well as their own evaluation to select four research papers to be included in these proceedings. Further, one panel was selected for presentation at the conference. Two keynote speakers were invited for the conference: Eleanor Wynn from Portland State University (USA) and Carsten Sørensen from the London School of Economics and Political Science (UK). Their talks were associated with the conference theme.

Our warmest thanks go to the research contributors and the sponsors of this conference, whether as organizers, Program Committee members, keynote speakers, or others. You made this a successful event.

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