Preface

The International Conference on Formal Engineering Methods (ICFEM) is a forum for advances in formal engineering methods. Among other topics, ICFEM covers verification and validation, software engineering, formal specification and modeling, software security, and software reliability. Since its inception in 1997, ICFEM has served as a primary venue for formal methods theory that promises to bring practical and tangible benefits, as well as practical developments that have been incorporated into real production systems. In recent years, ICFEM has taken place in Tokyo (2016), Paris (2015), Luxembourg (2014), Queenstown (2013), Kyoto (2012), Durham (2011), and Shanghai (2010).

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