The purpose of the EMSOFT Workshop, inaugurated last year at Lake Tahoe, is to bring together researchers and practitioners interested in the foundations and methods of embedded software design with the goal of improving substantially the state of the art and stimulating the debate between researchers and designers. The scope of the EMSOFT Workshop spans all aspects of embedded software, including operating systems and middleware, programming languages and compilers, modeling and validation, software engineering and programming methodologies, scheduling and execution-time analysis, formal methods, communication protocols and fault tolerance.

While the first Workshop included only invited papers because of the need to establish a common framework and a basis for the scientific contributions, for this second EMSOFT, we attempted to strike a balance between invited and selected contributions. The program included 17 selected and 13 invited contributions. The invited speakers were: Giorgio Buttazzo (University of Pavia), Paolo Faraboschi (Hewlett-Packard Laboratories), Nicolas Halbwachs (Verimag), David Harel (Weizmann Institute), Christoph Kirsch (University of California at Berkeley), Luciano Lavagno (Politecnico di Torino and Cadence Research Labs), Nancy Leveson (MIT), Sharad Malik (Princeton), Al Mok (University of Texas at Austin), Amir Pnueli (Weizmann Institute), Lui Sha (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), Douglas Schmidt (University of California at Irvine), and Bran Selic (Rational).

The program covers a wide variety of topics including requirements description and modeling, validation and analysis, synchronous languages, scheduling, real-time architectures and middleware, compilation and implementation, computerized control, and dependability. EMSOFT was colocated with CASES 2002 (International Conference on Compilers, Architectures and Synthesis for Embedded Systems), and to enhance interaction between the respective communities CASES and EMSOFT organized two joint invited sessions. The CASES invited speakers at the joint sessions were: John Rayfield (ARM Ltd.), Giovanni De Micheli (Stanford University), and Jens Palsberg (Purdue University).

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