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Foreword

The Workshop on Legal and Negotiation Decision Support Systems (LDSS 2009) was held in conjunction with the 12th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law, ICAIL 2009 (Barcelona Spain) on June 12, 2009. The workshop follows previous Workshops on Judicial Decision Support Systems in Melbourne (1997), Oslo (1999) and St. Louis (2001) and Online Dispute Resolution in Edinburgh (2003), Bologna (2005), and Palo Alto (2007).

The workshop has been receptive to papers dealing with any topic covering technological and legal aspects of Negotiation and Decision Support Systems in the domains of law and negotiation. Since the late 1970s, Decision and Negotiation Support Systems (DSS, NSS) have been developed to aid decision makers and also support complex negotiation tasks. Over the following years, a significant number of projects, prototypes, and products have been successfully developed. Today, the ubiquitous expansion of latest Web technologies puts new challenges for DSS and NSS researchers, and the domain is among the most vibrant ones in the law and artificial intelligence field.

This year seven papers have been accepted coming from Australia, France, Israel, Poland, Portugal, and Spain. Besides the paper presentations, we had an invited lecture by Jon Bing on the new top level domains and dispute resolution mechanisms at ICANN. We thank the authors for choosing the LDSS09 Workshop to disseminate their latest research activities and for their timely work. And we also thank the ICAIL organization committee and the sponsors for their support in making this event possible within the ICAIL 2009 Conference.

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