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3rd International Workshop on Domain-Specific Languages and models for ROBotic systems (DSLRob-12)

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Domain-Specific Languages (DSLs) and Model-driven Software Development (MDSD) are emerging areas of interest in the robotics research community. Both have been instrumental for resolving complex issues in a wide range of domains, including e.g. distributed and modular robotics, control, and vision.

The goal of this workshop is to bring together robotics researchers working with DSLs and models in different aspects of robotics. DSLs and models are key elements in many robotic systems presented at leading conferences such as IROS and ICRA, but the domain-centric structure of the typical robotics conference does not offer a natural venue for exchange of ideas regarding DSLs and models.

The intended audience is those robotics researchers throughout the entire robotics community who use DSLs and models as a key component of their robotics software infrastructure. In addition, robotics researchers with an interest in modern approaches to solving complex software-related issues will find the workshop inspirational.

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This workshop will focus on the use of Domain-Specific Languages and Models for Robotic Systems. Topics that are of special interest include:

- domain-specific languages to express reactive behaviors, composition of behaviors, motion description languages (MDL),
- domain-specific languages to express uncertainty, modelling of physical system, real-time constraints,
- domain-specific languages to describe cooperative robotics and modular robotics systems,
- tools support and frameworks for describing and manipulating DSLs, models and meta-models for robotic systems,
- code generation and code transformation for robotics systems, variability in robotic systems,
- meta-models to express robotic specific structures and best practices,
- frameworks to combine DSLs in an uniform manner,
- benchmarks to compare use of DSL vs general-purpose programming, and
- programming languages in the context of robotic systems, visual languages for robots, languages to teach robotics.

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- 10:00 - 10:15 Welcome and Opening / Christian Schlegel, Serge Stinckwich
- 10:15 - 10:45 Juan Francisco Inglés-Romero, Alex Lotz, Cristina Vicente Chicote and Christian Schlegel.
***Dealing with Run-Time Variability in Service Robotics:
Towards a DSL for Non-Functional Properties***
- 10:45 - 11:15 Andreas Angerer, Remi Smirra, Alwin Hoffmann, Andreas Schierl, Michael Vistein and Wolfgang Reif.
A Graphical Language for Real-Time Critical Robot Commands
- 11:15 - 11:45 Markus Klotzbücher, Herman Bruyninckx and Geoffrey Biggs.
Pure Coordination using the Coordinator-Configurator Pattern
- 11:45 - 12:15 Tinne De Laet, Wouter Schaekers, Jonas de Greef and Herman Bruyninckx.
Domain Specific Language for Geometric Relations between Rigid Bodies targeted to robotic applications
- 12:15 - 13:45 LUNCH BREAK
- 13:45 - 14:15 Arne Nordmann and Sebastian Wrede.
A Domain-Specific Language for Rich Motor Skill Architectures
- 14:15 - 14:45 Walid Taha and Roland Philippsen.
Modeling Basic Aspects of Cyber-Physical Systems
- 14:45 - 15:15 COFFEE BREAK
- 15:15 - 17:00 DISCUSSION - roadmap (hot topics, priorities, benefits) of issues related to the WS topics

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Discussion

- all of a sudden, 20 PhD students ask you: what is a hot topic in that field?
- hot topics?
 - DSLs, Meta-Models, MDSD, ...
- domains?
 - already covered and solved
 - tried to address but not yet solved in a satisfying way
 - badly needed but not yet addressed
- research roadmap?
 - milestones, benefits, priorities?
- community services
 - JOSER, RAS-TCSOFT, forum?
 - which stakeholders to involve?