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Dear editors,

I am pleased to submit our revised research article entitled "Automatic Generation of UML Profile Graphical Editors for Papyrus" by Dr. Ran Wei, Dr. Athanasios Zolotas, Dr. Horacio Hoyos Rodriguez, Dr. Simos Gerasimou, Prof. Dimitris Kolovos and Prof. Richard Paige for consideration for publication in the Journal of Software and System Modeling.

We thank the reviewers for their time and effort in providing inspiring insights on the manuscript and we thank them for their comments which help us improve the manuscript. We have addressed all comments made by reviewer 1 and 3 (reviewer 2 and 3 in the previous round). For reviewer 2 (reviewer 1 in the previous round), despite our best efforts in addressing the reviewer's previous comments, we feel that the reviewer disagrees with the core idea of our approach. We are therefore inclined to only add brief clarifications/responses on the comments in the paper and in our letter.

We think this manuscript is appropriate for the Journal of Software and System Modeling in the special issue on ECMFA 2018, for it provides a good evaluation of the MDE paradigm in automating repetitive, non-trivial and error-prone processes.

We confirm that the work presented in the manuscript is original and is not under review elsewhere or published elsewhere. We have no conflicts of interest to disclose.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,

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