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Preface

This volume contains the papers presented at LFMTP 2006, the First International Workshop on Logical Frameworks and Meta-Languages: Theory and Practice. LFMTP 2006 merges two previous workshop series: LFM (workshop on Logical Frameworks and Meta-languages) and MER λ IN (workshop on MEchanized Reasoning about Languages with variable BIndingIN). It was organized by the editors of this volume. There were 20 submissions of which the committee decided to accept 10.

The programme also includes an invited talk by Professor Gordon Plotkin, LFCS, University of Edinburgh. An abstract of this talk is included in the Proceedings as well.

Logical frameworks and meta-languages form a common substrate for representing, implementing, and reasoning about a wide variety of deductive systems of interest in logic and computer science. Their design and implementation and their applications, for example, to proof-carrying code have been the focus of considerable research over the last decade. The broad subject areas of LFMTP 2006 are:

- The automation and implementation of the meta-theory of programming languages and related calculi, particularly work which involves variable binding and fresh name generation.
- The theoretical and practical issues concerning the encoding of variable binding and fresh name generation, especially the representation of, and reasoning about, datatypes defined from binding signatures.
- Case studies of meta-programming, and the mechanization of the metatheory of programming languages and calculi, in particular focusing on experiences with encoding programming languages theory and instances of proof-carrying code or proof-carrying authorization.

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