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Preface

This volume collects the papers presented at the CHIItaly 2015 Doctoral Consortium, held in Rome (Italy) on September 28th, 2015. The CHIItaly conference is a biannual event organized by the SIGCHI Italian Chapter. After the successful first edition in 2013, it hosted for the second time a Doctoral Consortium with the aim of supporting PhD students to present and share ideas about their research and gather feedback from senior experts.

A good number of contributions was received, mainly from Italian PhD students but also from abroad. After a careful review process, we finally selected 7 papers for presentation at the doctoral consortium. The selection was based on the maturity of the described research and its potential impact, and on quality of writing and presentation. The accepted papers span a good variety of themes, showing the vitality of the Italian CHI community and its capability to attract contributions from abroad.

During the event, PhD students were provided with a friendly and lively atmosphere for presenting their research ideas and exchanging experiences with other students. They also received useful suggestions from senior researchers for the completion of their dissertation. We are immensely grateful to the panel of experts attending the event, and to the reviewers of the papers, namely Federico Cabitza, Francesco Colace, Daniela Fogli, Stephen Kimani, Andrea Marrella, Stavros Vassos, Andrea Vitaletti, who provided careful reviews and supportive feedbacks on the students' current research and guidance on future directions.

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