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Preface

This volume consists of the proceedings of the 29th International Conference on Applications and Theory of Petri Nets and Other Models of Concurrency (PETRI NETS 2008). The Petri Net conferences serve as annual meeting places to discuss the progress in the field of Petri nets and related models of concurrency. They provide a forum for researchers to present and discuss both applications and theoretical developments in this area. Novel tools and substantial enhancements to existing tools can also be presented. In addition, the conferences always welcome a range of invited talks that survey related domains, as well as satellite events such as tutorials and workshops. The 2008 conference had six invited speakers, two advanced tutorials, and four workshops. Detailed information about PETRI NETS 2008 and the related events can be found at http://ictt.xidian.edu.cn/atpn-acsd2008.

The PETRI NETS 2008 conference was organized by the Institute of Computing Theory and Technology at Xidian University, Xi’an, China, where it took place during June 23-27, 2008. We would like to express our deep thanks to the Organizing Committee, chaired by Zhenhua Duan, for the time and effort invested in the conference and for all the help with local organization. We are also grateful for the financial support of the National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) (Grant No. 60433010), Xidian University, and the Institute of Computing Theory and Technology at Xidian University.

This year we received 75 submissions by authors from 21 different countries. We thank all the authors who submitted papers. Each paper was reviewed by at least four referees. The Program Committee meeting took place in Eindhoven, The Netherlands, and was attended by 20 Program Committee members. At the meeting, 23 papers were selected, classified as: theory papers (14 accepted), application papers (5 accepted), and tool papers (4 accepted). We wish to thank the Program Committee members and other reviewers for their careful and timely evaluation of the submissions before the meeting. Special thanks are due to Martin Karusseit, University of Dortmund, for his friendly attitude and technical support with the Online Conference Service. Finally, we wish to express our gratitude to the six invited speakers, Gustavo Alonso, Jifeng He, Mike Kishinevsky, Huimin Lin, Carl Adam Petri (presented by Rüdiger Valk), and Grzegorz Rozenberg for their contribution. As usual, the Springer LNCS team provided high-quality support in the preparation of this volume.

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