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## Preface

The 15th International Workshop on Automated Verification of Critical Systems (AVoCS 2015) was hosted by the School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences within Heriot-Watt University on September 2 - 4, 2015. The workshop took place in the headquarters of the International Centre for Mathematical Sciences (ICMS), located in the historic old town of Edinburgh. The 6th AI4FM workshop, which was held on 1 September, was co-located with AVoCS.

The workshop programme consisted of regular papers, research ideas papers and two keynote speakers – Don Sannella (Contemplate Ltd & the University of Edinburgh, UK) and Colin O'Halloran (D-RisQ Software Systems & the University of Oxford, UK). We are particularly grateful to Don and Colin for their contributions to AVoCS 2015.

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24 papers were submitted to AVoCS, from which 15 were accepted for presentation at the workshop and publication in the PreProceedings. 14 of these have been accepted for this Post-Proceedings, together with the two invited talks. We also received 8 research ideas papers, of which 6 were presented at the workshop and included in the PreProceedings. These do not how-ever appear in the PostProceedings. New to AVoCS 2015 was two discussion-based sessions for the research ideas papers.

We would like to thank our excellent programme committee and additional reviewers for their efforts in ensuring a high quality workshop and proceedings. Thanks also to the AVoCS steering committee for giving us the opportunity to host a very successful AVoCS 2015 in Edinburgh.

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