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The Free Models Initiative

Goals and Perspectives

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Program Today

13:30 - 13:45	Welcome & Introduction	<i>Harald Störrle, Alexander Knapp, Regina Hebig</i>
13:45 - 14:00	Experiences on the Quality and Availability of Test Models for Model Differencing Tools	<i>Pit Pietsch, Dennis Reuling, Udo Kelter, Jens Folmer, Birgit Vogel-Heuser</i>
14:00 - 14:15	The Need for Process Model Corpora	<i>Tom Thaler, Jürgen Walter, Peyman Ardalani, Peter Fettke, Peter Loos</i>
14:15 - 14:30	Towards an Open Process Model Repository for Evaluations in Business Process Management Research	<i>Agnes Koschmider, Andreas Oberweis, Andreas Schoknecht, Meike Ullrich</i>
14:30 - 14:45	BPM Academic Initiative: Fostering Academic Research in Business Process Management	<i>Mathias Weske</i>
15:00 - 15:15	Break	
15:15 - 16:30	Discussion, Information Collection Wrap Up	

Motivation

- **Sample data ("Corpora") are considered important in many scientific disciplines. Use cases include**
 - Validation of new theories;
 - Discovery of phenomena through secondary studies;
 - Benchmarking of approaches.

- **We have very few such corpora in model-based software engineering. Many questions arise immediately:**
 - Do we need model corpora in the first place? What for?
 - What corpora do we actually have? Are they sufficient (size, quality)?
 - Where are the obstacles to having more/larger model corpora, and how can we overcome them?
 - How can companies and practitioners be motivated to publish model? Which incentives are effective and practicable?
 - What technical and legal issues are there (model kind, formats, licenses)?
 - What context information is required to enable effective use of models?

Goals for Workshop

- **By organizing this workshop we want to achieve the following goals:**
 - Pooling our knowledge, and share available information
 - Build a model corpora community
 - Define the research challenges
- **More concretely, we want to produce a number of lists**
 - use cases for model corpora
 - existing corpora with preliminary assessment of their usefulness
 - Wish-list(s) of the ideal model corpus for one or more of the use cases
 - research challenges and practical challenges
- **We hope this might result in steps towards a “Freedom for Models”-Manifesto, raising the awareness of the issue and stimulating**



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