PREFACE

The AI*IA 2014 Doctoral Consortium was organized with the aim of providing a full-immersion occasion, for Ph.D. students, to discuss their ongoing research work, establish research connections with peer researchers, and receive first-class mentorship from domain experts.

The event included two main sessions:

– **PAPER SESSION**: The innovative feature is that Ph.D. students submitting papers were involved in the reviewing process of other submissions, thus providing a 'behind-the-scenes' perspective of the workshop. This format was successfully introduced in AI*IA 2013 Doctoral Workshop[1].
– **IDEA SESSION**: For this session, Ph.D. students were welcome to submit an abstract of their ongoing research work. Selected 'ideas' had then been assigned a senior supervisor; on the consortium day, each of idea was discussed in an open brainstorming, putting together the senior expert in the field and various Ph.D. students working on related topics.

For this edition, we accepted a total amount of 9 contributions, i.e. 6 regular papers and 3 ideas.

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[1] http://www.di.unito.it/~perotti/dwai/