



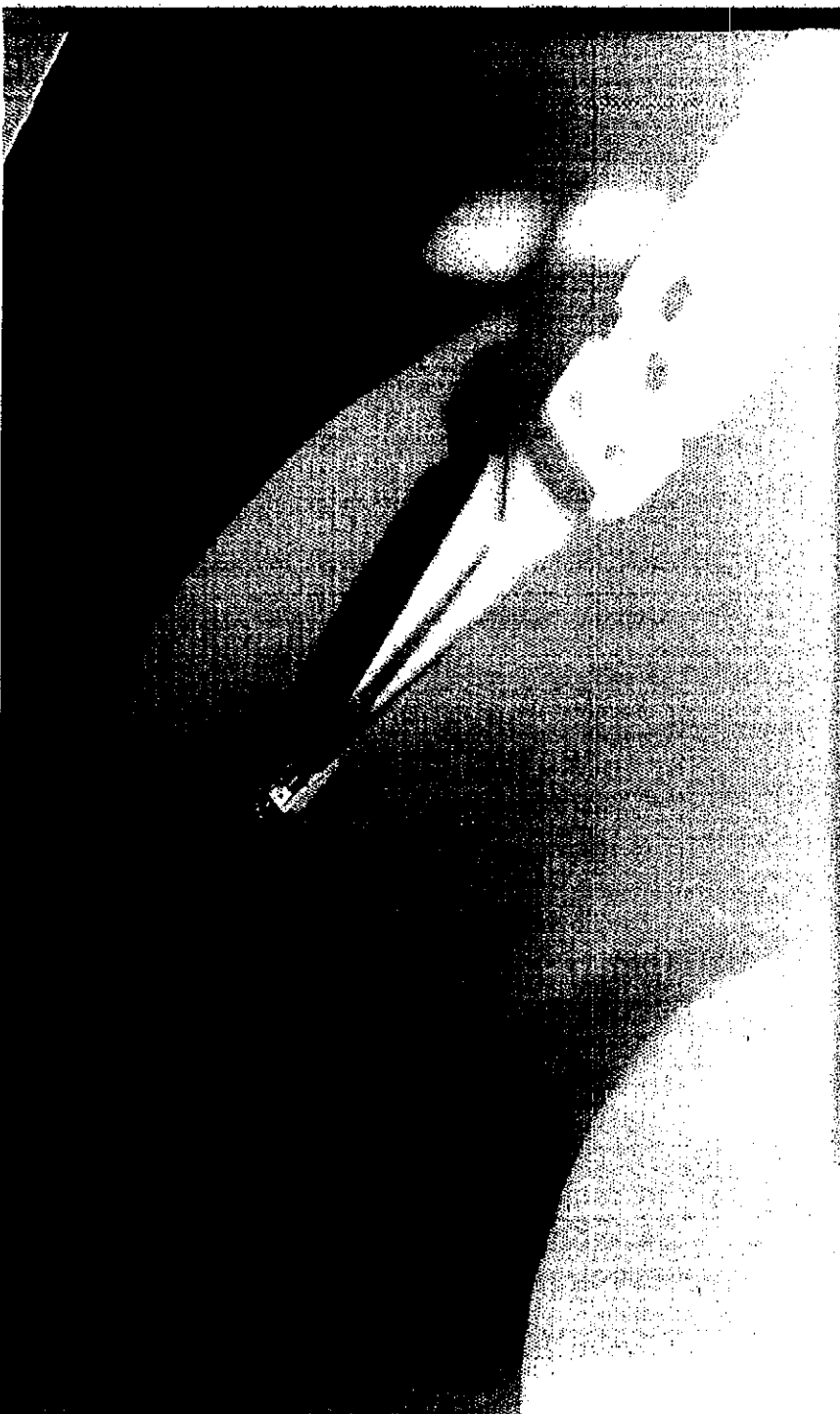
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## Message from the Symposium Chair

Empirical work in software engineering has increased substantially since the 1990s and is now considered fundamental requirement of high quality research in software engineering. This has also led to improve in the quality and rigor in empirical research in the software engineering. The METRICS and conferences, the ISERN community, and the Empirical Software Engineering Journal have instrumental in advancing the standards in empirical research.

There are several doctoral students around the world pursuing their doctoral research in software engineering with specific interest in using sound empirical methods. The 2nd International Doctoral Symposium on Empirical Software Engineering (IDOESE 2007, <http://www.conferences.org/idoese2007.php>), held in Madrid, Spain on September 19, 2007, during the Experimental Software Engineering International Week (<http://www.esem-conferences.org>), followed the success of the previous 1st IDOESE 2006, held jointly with the 2006 Experimental Software Engineering International Week, and the Doctoral Colloquium held jointly with METRICS 2005. IDOESE 2007 provides an opportunity for these Ph.D. students to present their work and plans to the senior and junior members of the empirical software engineering community. On the one hand, the symposium provides an open forum for these works and plans to be reviewed and discussed, so young researchers can obtain feedback and guidance from the empirical software engineering community. On the other hand, the symposium provides a promising young researchers to present their innovative ideas, findings, and experiences to the empirical software engineering community, discuss the state of the art of the discipline, and outline future research directions.

I would like to highlight that the papers accepted at IDOESE 2007 clearly show the vitality of the Empirical Software Engineering field and that Empirical Software Engineering can be successfully used in a wide range of different application contexts and for several different purposes. The papers build on previous results and address research topics that are already important today and will become even more crucial in the future.

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