Preface

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This special issue contains selected papers from the sixth ISDT, which took place on the campus of Hunan University in Changsha, from October 25 to October 29, 2013. This symposium included three invited talks, given by Dana Scott (Carnegie Mellon University, USA), Achim Jung (University of Birmingham, UK), and Glynn Winskel (University of Cambridge, UK). Additional invited presentations were given by Pierre-Louis Curien, Klaus Keimel, Jimmie Lawson, Michael Mislove, Guo-Qiang Zhang, and Bin Zhao, interleaved with 18 contributed talks.

Seven papers have been included in this special issue. Each paper was refereed according to the quality guidelines of MSCS. We regret that several worthy submissions cannot be included in this special issue.

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