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Preface

What we are offering you here are the proceedings of the 1st European Conference on Argumentation: Argumentation and Reasoned Action, held at the ArgLab, Nova Institute of Philosophy, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, 9-12 June 2015, Lisbon, Portugal. The European Conference on Argumentation (ECA) is a new pan-European initiative launched in 2013 aiming to consolidate and advance various streaks of research into argumentation and reasoning. ECA's chief goal is to organise, on a biannual basis, a major conference that provides an opportunity for exchanging research results and networking in all areas related to the study of argumentation: philosophy, communication, linguistics, discourse analysis, computer science, psychology, cognitive studies, legal theory, etc. While based in Europe, ECA involves and further encourages participation from argumentation scholars all over the world.

The proceedings comprise what we think is the most complete statement of the state of the art of argumentation studies today. From ancient rhetoric to Artificial Intelligence, and from analytic philosophy to detailed empirical research, the contributors have submitted argumentation theory and practice to a thorough examination. It's gratifying to have all this research collected in one source and realise the breadth and depth of the lively debates in argumentation studies.

The proceedings are divided into two printed volumes. *Volume I* includes 36 long papers along with the commentaries on them delivered during the conference. *Volume II* comprises 10 regular papers presented within three thematic panels, as well as 71 regular papers from the general conference programme. All these papers were subject to a double-blind peer review of the Scientific Panel of more than 50 experts in the field, who evaluated extended abstracts for long papers and short abstracts for regular papers before the conference. As a result, out of 286 submissions nearly 200 were accepted for presentation. Most of them are collected here. We have excluded poster presentations and invited keynote addresses by John Searle, Isabela and Norman Fairclough, and Simon Parsons.

As a collaborative effort, these proceedings cannot be published without duly acknowledging, first, João Sàágua, Fabrizio Macagno and Giovanni Damele, ArgLab members who were part of the ECA Lisbon 2015 Organising Committee. Also, the entire 12-person ECA Steering Committee (see www.ecargument.org) was indispensable in shaping the conference. We would also like to thank Nuno Mora, Marisa Campos and Rita Luís for their crucial assistance with the conference and the proceedings. We wouldn't be able to make it without you!

With this publication, we are happy to conclude ECA Lisbon 2015. Yet, ECA is an on-going project, and for years to come. As we write this, the $2^{\rm nd}$ European Conference on Argumentation: Argumentation and Inference is being prepared by our colleagues at the University of Fribourg, Switzerland, where it will take place 20-23 June 2017. This will be another chance to present, discuss and publish the most up-to-date research on argumentation. You're welcome to be part of it.

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