

### **Short bio**

Matteo Baldoni is an associate professor (and habilitation for full professor) at the Department of Computer Science of the University of Torino since 2006. He received a Ph.D in CS in 1998, he has been visiting researcher at Laboratoire d'Informatique de Marseille in 1998 and visiting researcher at the KRDB of the University of Bozen-Bolzano in 2015-2016. Since mid Ninety he co-authored more than 120 papers on the area of Artificial Intelligence, in particular in the field of Computational Logic, Semantic Web, E-Learning, Multi-Agent Systems, and Business Processes.

Matteo Baldoni has collaborations with many researchers in the MAS community, among them Munindar Singh (NCSU), Amit Chopra (Leicester University), Olivier Boissier (Mines St. Etienne), Jomi F. Hübner (FUSC), Alessandro Ricci (Bologna University), Diego Calvanese e Marco Montali (Bozen-Bolzano University), Viviana Mascardi (Genoa University).

### **Services for the Multi-agent Community**

He has been involved in many events in the Artificial Intelligence and Multiagent Systems area, among them co-program chair of PRIMA 2016 (Principles and Practice of Multi-Agent Systems - 19th International Conference), co-workshop chair of PRIMA 2015 (Principles and Practice of Multi-Agent Systems - 18th International Conference), co-program chair and co-general chair of AI\*IA 2013 (Advances in Artificial Intelligence - XIII International Conference) held in Torino, co-organizer of six editions of DALT@AAMAS (2005-2009, 2012), the international workshop on Declarative Agent Language and Technologies, two editions of EMAS@AAMAS (2015 and 2016), the international workshop on Engineering Multi-Agent Systems, and one edition of NorMAS (2014), the international workshop on Normative Multiagent Systems. From 2011, he is member of the steering committee of the Italian Association for Artificial Intelligence (AI\*IA) and he has been the chair of the special interested group on Multi-Agent Systems of the AI\*IA from 2006 through 2010.

Matteo Baldoni was co-organizers of the Second Multi-Agent Logics, Languages, and Organisations Federated Workshops (MALLOW'09), and of European Agent Systems Summer School 2009, both held in Torino. Finally, from 2016, he is member of the steering committee of the PRIMA conference series and, from 2013, he is member of the steering committee of EMAS workshop series, and NorMAS workshop series.

I regularly attended AAMAS conference/workshops from 2004 and I served as PC member/SPC member/Area Chair for AAMAS conference series from 2008. I also served as PC member/SPC member of related conferences such as IJCAI, AAAI, PRIMA.

### **How I can serve on the IFAAMAS board**

The strength of the Multi-agent Systems research area is to be inherently multidisciplinary as well as the researchers interested in this topic, sociologists, economists, computer scientists, engineers, legal experts. All these scientists always felt Multi-agent Systems a great field where to exchange ideas and contribute altogether to the advancement of the research. Multi-agent systems are a wonderful basis for studying real phenomena as well as a tool for designing and realizing distributed systems. The Board of Directors of IFAAMAS should continue its great tradition to welcome all researchers from different areas, giving to all the chance to compare their different researches.

Multi-agent Systems research area has now an incredible opportunity, given by the hype of Artificial Intelligence. Words like Intelligent Agent, Autonomous Agent are incredibly common to a wide segment of people. The Board of Directors should use this chance to further expand its influence in the computer science research community and in industry. On the other hand, it should drive the discussion on the relationships among research on AI/MAS and ethics. There are also incredible chances to bring AI/MAS experiences in (and to learn from) neighbouring research areas, like information systems that even more are interested in the AI topics.