

Preface

This volume contains the Abstracts of all the papers presented at the 13th International Meeting of the Psychometric Society in Chia Laguna (Cagliari), Italy. One thing that is special about this meeting is that it is also the 68th in the series of Annual Meetings of the Psychometric Society that until now always convened in North America. The Program committee would like to thank the Board of Trustees of the Psychometric Society for selecting the University of Cagliari as the Host of this meeting, and for their commendable step to refrain from a separate North-American meeting, which underscores that this society is a truly international association of scholars.

The Abstracts cover a broad range of topics, including traditional areas in psychometrics such as item response theory, structural equation modeling, and scaling methods, but also a good deal of more general areas in current statistical methodology and classification. I hope that this diversity will provide new inspiration and interesting challenges to our field, which has been on the frontier of quantitative methods for so long, but can only stay there by continually refreshing and reviving itself.

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