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Preface

Design of complex artifacts and systems requires the cooperation of multidisciplinary design teams. The Seventh International Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work in Design (CSCWD 2002) provides a forum for researchers and practitioners involved in different but related domains to confront research results and discuss key challenges. The major topics of CSCWD 2002 include the following:

- Techniques, methods, and tools for CSCW in design;
- Social organization of the CSC process;
- Integration of methods and tools within the work organization;
- Cooperation in virtual enterprises and e-businesses
- CSCW in Design and Manufacturing
- Interaction between the CSC approach and knowledge reuse as found in knowledge management;
- Intelligent agent and multi-agent systems;
- Internet/Web and CSCW in design;
- Applications and testbeds.

The current proceedings contain 85 papers presented at CSCWD 2002. The papers are grouped according to their contents to facilitate parallel session organization and discussions.

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