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The papers of the workshop are presented in this book, organized in four topics: *Environment, Decision Support Systems, Environmental Information Systems, Data Mining and Qualitative Models*, and *Remote Sensing*.

We are very glad to show the ongoing work on e-Environment and to serve as the stepping stone for new news to achieve collaboration among European and Latin American research groups to ensure optimum use of the most appropriate Information Society Technologies for the protection of the environment and sustainable development.

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