



4612 2021 Ranking Committee

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Antonio Vallecillo declared a conflict of interest with this conference and did not take part in the discussion nor in the decision made.

ECMFA is seeking to be ranked at B - it is currently unranked. In 2020 this conference subsumed the International Conference on Model Transformation (ICMT), formerly ranked B.

The number of submitted papers is quite low and dropping at 48, 45 and 32 in the past three years, and the acceptance rates are quite high (and rising) for a B-ranked venue, at 38%, 40% and 44%, respectively.

The Program Chairs have h-indices varying from 15 to 30 in the last three years, low to OK for a B conference (though this is explained in part by a desire to have practitioners and emerging researchers in the role). The average SPC h-index is good for a B event, at 17, and positively 27/56 have an h index that indicates they are established researchers. Some top people in the field do publish there, all ten of those listed having published there more than three times in the last five years. This conference was published at 95 times by 23 of 30 SPC members in the last 15 years - a longer window than normally considered in these analyses. There is, however, some evidence of repeat publishing over this time: 13 out of the 30 SPC members published at this conference in 4 or more of those 15 years.

A similar pattern is evident for MDE experts - this conference was published at 59 times by 14 of 21 experts in the last 15 years. Eight out of the 21 experts published at this conference in 3 or more years. All of these indicators suggest a B ranking.

ECMFA is not in the list of top 20 software systems venues according to Google Scholar, and it does not return h5-index value. ECMFA is not listed on AMiner or Guide2Research or in the centile lists.

The committee members discussed this conference and agreed that, given that there is insufficient data currently to form a ranking and it should be tagged NEW.