Preface

These are the proceedings of the *Sixth International Conference on Logic Programming and Nonmonotonic Reasoning* (LPNMR 2001). The conference was held in Vienna from 17th to 19th of September, 2001. It was collocated with the Joint German/Austrian Conference on Artificial Intelligence (24th German/9th Austrian Conference on Artificial Intelligence), KI 2001.

LPNMR conferences aim to promote research in logic-based programming languages, database systems, nonmonotonic reasoning, and knowledge representation. LPNMR 2001 was the sixth conference in the series. The previous meetings were held in Washington, DC, in 1991, in Lisbon, Portugal, in 1993, in Lexington, Kentucky, in 1995, in Dagstuhl, Germany, in 1997, and in El Paso, Texas, in 1999.

The technical program of LPNMR 2001 was comprised of five invited talks that were given by Jürgen Dix, Georg Gottlob, Phokion Kolaitis, Maurizio Lenzerini, and Chiaki Sakama. It also contained 23 technical presentations selected by the program committee during a rigorous review process. Finally, as a part of the technical program, the conference featured a special session comprised of nine presentations and demonstrations of implemented nonmonotonic reasoning systems. All these contributions are included in the proceedings.

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