Preface

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1. This thematic issue

This issue of JAISE is focused on the theme of *Mobility*. As technology matures and citizens adopt more and more technology as tools and companions in daily life tasks, innovative developments follow people wherever they are. This is particularly challenging as we expect technology to assist us not just in well-defined environments with restrictions which facilitate the definition of the service to be provided. Now technology is expected to be useful even where the world is more complex and unpredictable. This is undoubtedly a young area with many big challenges to be overcome, not only on issues of efficiency and accuracy, but also on handling privacy and security, all being important features for the users, and the absence of any likely to render this technology unacceptable by the masses. This Thematic Issue presents a good sample of the latest innovation in the area which we hope will pave the way to more successful developments in this technology.

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As usual for an area active like AmI there are interesting events around the world. The last pages of this issue consist of a report on a successful viva by a Ph.D. student working in the area.

2. Upcoming issues

The following is the list of upcoming issues of JAISE:

– Nov. 2015: Regular Issue
– Jan. 2016: Thematic Issue on *Natural Interaction in Intelligent Environments*
– March 2016: Regular Issue
– May 2016: Regular Issue

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