# Panel ICSE 2008 SEAMS

## Software Engineering for Self-Adaptive Systems: A Research Road Map

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# The Road Map Paper

- Objective of the panel
  - present, discuss and receive feedback for road map paper
    - its current version is a draft
    - the discussions may influence the final draft
- The road map paper is a result
  - Dagstuhl Seminar 08031 on "Software Engineering for Self-Adaptive Systems" in January 2008
    http://www.dagstuhl.de/en/program/calendar/semhp/?semnr=2008031
    - list of participants
    - abstracts, papers, etc.
    - slides of presentations
    - 5Ws of self-adaptability

## The Road Map Paper

- For the systematic software engineering of selfadaptive systems, the objective of the road map paper
  - establish a road map for research
  - identify the main research challenges

- The exercise had no intentions of being exhaustive
  - focus on four views that were identified to be essential from the software engineering perspective
    - requirements, modelling, engineering and assurances

## The Road Map Paper

- Several issues were not covered, e.g.
  - processes
  - technologies
    - model driven development, aspect-oriented programming, and software product lines
- We have learned from this exercise is that the area is
  - vast, multidisciplinary, and involves a wide range of system
  - finding a generic solution that fits all purposes is remote
    - exemplars to benchmark different techniques, methods and tools

# Theses of the Four Views of Self-Adaptability

### Requirements

 "the need to define a new requirements language for handling uncertainty"

### Modelling

 "the need to enumerate and classify modelling dimensions for obtaining precise models"

## Engineering

 "the need to consider feedback control loops as first-class entities"

### Assurances

 "the need to define novel verification and validation methods for the provision of assurances"

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