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# Preface

These proceedings contain the papers of the State of the Art Report (STAR) Section of the EUROGRAPHICS 2003 Annual Conference, held in Granada (Spain), between the 1st and the 6th of September 2003.

Over the years the STAR section has played a key role in the main event of The European Association for Computer Graphics by offering a set of presentations able to give exhaustive overviews on topics of interest for the attendants to the conference.

This year we received 14 proposals with an overall quality of very high level, making the selection really difficult. This selection was guided by a balanced evaluation of two main parameters:

- The STAR should offer a survey work presenting the existing methods/techniques as well as a comparison/evaluation of their performances.
- The topic should be potentially interesting for a wide number of EG '03 attendants.

This led to the selection of 7 submissions dealing with visualization in medical applications, distributed and collaborative applications, digital actors, information visualization, high quality rendering and real time and hardware graphics.

We wish to thank all the authors who submitted their work to the STAR Section of EG '03, the experts who advised in the selection process and previous EG STARS chairmen for their help. Finally we want to express our gratitude to the EG '03 organisers, members of the Computer Graphics Granada Group, for their valuable logistic support.

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