In memory of Marco Garetti

Marco Garetti, *IJPLM* program committee member and our beloved colleague, peacefully passed away on April 4th, 2016. This was very sad news for our PLM community. Marco, Professor at Politecnico di Milano, was one of the founders of our community as well as the PLM journal. He was always available and served for years as chair and co-chair of the IFIP PLM International Conference that he hosted with his team in 2007 in Italy.

Marco was a passionate and energetic researcher. He pushed the world of PLM a step forward and promoted a multi-disciplinary culture. Marco was always driven by a genuine and honest intellectual interest and spent part of his time initiating younger generations into research work. Marco launched several activities, such as the International Doctoral Workshop on Product and Asset Lifecycle Management, which today gives the opportunity to many PhD students to share their findings with their peers and with professors and experts of our community.

Marco left us with wonderful memories. He will be sorely missed and lovingly remembered by all of us.

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