Editorial

Communication and Information Technology has taken the world by storm, touches virtually all aspects of our daily lives. It interweaves tightly into our private and public communications, interactions and transactions; inadvertently forms an intricate infrastructure for critical social and institutional functions such as commerce, banking and finance, utilities, national defense, education, entertainment and many more useful applications. The International Symposium on Information Science and Engineering 2008 (ISISE 2008) and International Symposium on Computer Science and Computational Technology 2008 (ISCSCT 2008) will bring together researchers from academia and industry, who are interested in the emergent field of information processing. We are soliciting papers that present recent results, as well as more speculative presentations that discuss research challenges, define new applications, and propose methodologies for evaluating and the roadmap for achieving the vision of information processing.

The ISISE 2008 and ISCSCT 2008 are co-sponsored by Shanghai Institute of Electronics, China, Peoples’Friendship University of Russia, Russia, Guangdong University of Business Studies, National Chung Hsing University, Taiwan, and Jiaxing University, China. Much work went into preparing a program of high quality. We received above 2000 submissions, every paper was reviewed by three program committee members and about 600 were selected as regular papers, representing a 30% acceptance rate for regular papers. To encourage the author presentation at ISISE 2008 and ISCSCT 2008, we have chosen 12 outstanding papers to be published in this special issue. The candidates of the Special Issue are all the authors, whose papers have been accepted and presented at the ISISE 2008 or ISCSCT 2008, with the contents not been published elsewhere before.

The purpose of ISISE 2008 and ISCSCT 2008 is to bring together researchers and practitioners from academia, industry, and government to exchange their research ideas and results and to discuss the state of the art in the areas of the symposium. In addition, the participants of the Symposium will hear from renowned keynote speakers IEEE & IET Fellow Prof. Chin-Chen Chang from National Chung Hsing University, Taiwan, IEEE Fellow Prof. Yuhen Hu from University of Wisconsin - Madison, USA and Chair of IEEE Shanghai Section Prof. Junfa Mao from Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China.

We are particularly grateful to for Chin-Chen Chang, Yuhen Hu and Junfa Mao accepting our invitation to deliver invited talks at this year’s conference.

We would like to acknowledge the exceptional effort by the Editorial Board of the Journal of Software throughout this process.

Lastly, we wish to express our deepest thanks to the members of the Program Committee, who gave their personal free time to perform the often thankless job of reviewing many papers under extremely short deadlines, and to the volunteers and local assistants who made this program a success.

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