Message from General Co-chairs

It is our great pleasure to welcome everyone to the 25th IEEE International Conference on Advanced Information Networking and Applications (IEEE AINA 2011). This year’s event is also an important milestone as it marks the 25th anniversary of the conference. AINA has grown over the years and its success rests very much on the authors, presenters, participants, and of course, the people who work behind the scenes to make the event a success. The aim of AINA is to enable researchers working on different aspects of computer networks and distributed systems to come together and interact, exchange ideas, form linkages and set up new collaborations. We have therefore ensured that our keynote speakers come from both industry and academia to share their views on the rapidly advancing technologies.

Despite its small size and often referred to as “the little red dot”, Singapore has advanced rapidly over the years to developed nation status. Hosting AINA 2011 in Singapore, and in One-North, truly demonstrates the vision of the Steering Committee. One-North is where world-class research facilities and business parks are built to support growth in Biomedical Sciences, Infocomm Technology (ICT), Media, Physical Sciences and Engineering. While AINA is situated in Biopolis, the area for biomedical science research within One-North, we encourage everyone to also visit Fusionopolis which is the area for ICT and media research that is a short walk away.

This year’s event could not have succeeded without the contributions and efforts of many, and we like to express our deepest appreciation to those who have volunteered their time and effort. Firstly, the authors without whom there will not be any papers to present, ideas to share, and issues to discuss. From among the authors, the presenters who bring the ideas out of the papers to the audience in a short time and, the participants who engage the presenters, authors and other participants in lively debate and discussions over ideas and issues. Equally, if not more important, are the people behind the scenes who have worked relentlessly for many months prior to this event to get everything organized. These include the local arrangements, finance, publicity and, of course, the various technical program track committees. In particular, I like to single out Dr Hwee Pink Tan, our TPC co-chair who has put in extraordinary effort in the submission review process to ensure that only the best papers are selected. However, as in any realistic scenario, it cannot be perfect but everything within his means has been done to ensure the necessary level of quality is achieved. We hope that attending AINA2011 will be a fruitful and fulfilling experience for you and look forward to your support and participation in future conferences.

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