Preface of SIM4MSI’08

Welcome to the 2008 International Symposium on Services Integration and Management for Modern Service Industry (SIM4MSI-08), which was in conjunction with the IEEE Asia Pacific Services Computing Conference (IEEE APSCC 2008) held in Yilan, Taiwan, December 9-12, 2008.

Modern service industry requires collaborations among large-scale resources to support complex scientific and business applications across multiple domains. Service-oriented architecture is a promising technology pathway, with its discipline “construct a business application with the reuse of existing web services”. Hence a key problem in modern service industry is the service integration and management. The object of the workshop is to invite authors to submit original manuscripts that demonstrate and explore current advances in the area of service integration and management for modern service industry.

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