Preface of MPIS’08

Welcome to the First International Workshop on Multimedia, Information Privacy and Intelligent Computing Systems (MPIS 2008), which is in conjunction with the 2008 IEEE Asia-Pacific Services Computing Conference (IEEE APSCC), held in Yilan, Taiwan, December 9-10, 2008.

Multimedia technologies and intelligent computing are emerging rapidly as an exciting paradigm including multimedia signal processing, information hiding, evolutionary computing such as neural network and fuzzy theory to enable the process of creating applications of intelligent computing in multimedia for various domains. This workshop on Multimedia, Information Privacy and Intelligent Computing Systems (MPIS 2008) is intended bring together researchers from academia and industry as well as practitioners to share ideas, problems, and solutions relating to the multifaceted aspects of information technology as related to multimedia and the applications of intelligent computing in multimedia.

In order to guarantee high-quality proceedings, each submitted paper was reviewed by at least two to three researchers in the topic area. It was extremely difficult to select the presentations for the workshop because there were so many excellent and interesting ones. In order to allocate as many papers as possible and keep the high quality of the workshop, we finally decided to accept 16 papers for oral presentations. We believe all of these papers and topics will not only provide novel ideas, new results, work in progress and state-of-the-art techniques in this field, but will also stimulate future research activities.

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