Message from the USDM Workshop Chairs

On behalf of the Program Committee of the First International Workshop on Unstructured Data Management (USDM 2010), it is our honor to welcome you to USDM 2010, held in conjunction with APWeb 2010 in Busan, Korea on April 5, 2010.

With the consistent increase of computing and storage capacities and the emergence of many data-centric applications, a huge volume of unstructured data has been generated. How to effectively handle and utilize unstructured data becomes a critical issue to these data-centric applications. We have held the Symposium on Unstructured Data Management twice in Beijing, China, on December 26, 2008 and on July 2, 2009 respectively. Encouraged by this success, we would like to organize a series of USD workshops in the next several years.

The aim of this one-day workshop is to bring together researchers, developers, and users to discuss and present current technical developments in the area. It will be a forum not only for presenting new research results but also for the discussions of practical experiences that can help shaping and solving critical problems in unstructured data management.

USD 2010 attracted more than 10 papers and every paper was reviewed by three reviewers. Among them, three papers were selected as regular papers, representing about 30% acceptance rate. Moreover, four papers were accepted as short papers.

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