The Ninth International Conference on Availability, Reliability and Security (ARES 2014)

Welcome Message from ARES Program Committee Co-Chairs and General Chair

The Ninth International Conference on Availability, Reliability and Security (ARES 2014) brings together researchers and practitioners in the field of dependability and information assurance. ARES 2014 highlights the various aspects of dependability, following the tradition of previous ARES conferences, again with a special focus on the crucial linkage between availability, reliability, security and privacy.

ARES aims at contributing to an intensive discussion of research issues in the field of dependability as an integrative concept that in its core comprises research contributions from availability, safety, confidentiality, integrity, maintainability, security and privacy and their different areas of application. The conference emphasizes the interplay between foundations and practical issues of research in information security and will also look at upcoming research challenges.

ARES 2014 is dedicated to expanding collaborations between different sub-disciplines and to strengthening the community for further research which, previous ARES conferences have started to build.

This year we are very happy to welcome three well-known keynote speakers: Bart Preneel, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, Volkmar Lotz, SAP Research, Germany and Allison Mankin, Director of Verisign Labs, Verisign, Inc., US.

From the many submissions we have selected the 13 best for a presentation as full paper. The quality of submissions has steadily improved over the last years and the conference officers sometimes faced a difficult decision when selecting which papers should be accepted. This year’s acceptance rate for full papers is 16%. In addition, several workshops and short papers are included in the program and show intermediate results of ongoing research projects and offer interesting starting points for discussions.

A different country hosts the conference every year. The 2014 edition takes place in Fribourg, Switzerland, at the University of Fribourg.

We wish all participants an enjoyable conference and interesting discussions.

The ARES 2014 Program Committee Co-Chairs

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