Welcome Message from the Program Chair

We would like to extend our welcome and express our gratitude to all of the authors of submitted papers and to all of the attendees, for their contributions and participation.

In AST 2009, the first biannual international conference, the number of 102 submitted papers it has attracted is very impressive. The international character of the conference is reflected in the fact that submissions came from 15 countries.

The submitted abstracts and papers went through a thorough reviewing process. As a result, 17 articles were accepted and registered for the AST 2009 proceedings published by IEEE, reflecting (but not limited to) the following areas:

- Communication and Networking
- Computer Science and its Applications
- Ubiquitous Multimedia Computing
- Software Engineering & Its Applications
- Security Technology and Information Assurance
- Bio-science and Bio-technology
- u and eService, Science and Technology
- Database Theory and Application
- Control and Automation
- Signal Processing, Image Processing and Pattern Recognition
- Grid and Distributed Computing
- And more…

Achieving such a high quality of proceedings would have been impossible without the huge work that was undertaken by the international program committee members. We take this opportunity to thank them for their great support and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

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