Message from the Workshops Chair

BNCOD is an international gathering that attracts participants representing a wide range of interests in databases and information retrieval. The purpose of BNCOD workshops is to discuss emerging aspects of database technology with students, researchers and practitioners with the aim of developing understanding, exchanging experiences and building research communities. Database research has been an enduring feature in the evolution of computer science and the indications are that database technology will underpin many of the exciting developments now in prospect. As well as making technical contributions, we need to be sure that our enthusiasm is passed on to future generations of researchers and practitioners who will carry this process forward. The workshops programme addresses both aspects of this enterprise.

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We hope that you enjoy your visit to Glasgow and the BNCOD workshops. Glasgow has a rich diversity of arts, sciences and history, along with many fine Victorian and modern buildings. For those who enjoy a more rural setting, the finest mountains and lochs are less than one hour away by road or rail. The experiences offered by this unique cultural heritage will provide a major contribution to your enjoyment of the BNCOD conference and workshops.

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