Welcome to the CCGrid08 Workshops!

Workshops are important for CCGrid: they identify hot topics of interest, stimulate research in these domains, open the opportunity for participants to meet, discuss and establish collaborative links and provide an important outlet for novel research that is at an early stage of maturity.

In 2007, the CCGrid 2008 organizers and the steering committee expressed the importance to continue 7 years of tradition by collocating outstanding workshops with the CCGRID conference. They also declared their intention to improve the quality of the workshops by a selection of the workshops and a high quality peer review process.

The 2008 workshop program is the result of these efforts to assert the workshop quality.

Six workshops (out of nine submitted) have been chosen this year, based on the strength of the proposals, the quality of submissions, and importance of these emerging areas to Grid computing research. We hope these workshops raise important discussion during the paper presentations, and allow CCGrid attendees to get a glimpse of future and emerging themes in Cluster and Grid computing research:

1. GP2PC: Global and P2P Computing  
   Organisers: Gilles Fedak and Mitsuhisa Sato

2. STPG: Security, Trust and Privacy in Grid Environments  
   Organisers: Noria Foukia

3. WSES: 3rd International Workshop on Workflow Systems  
   Organisers: Zhiming Zhao and Adam Belloum

4. HPGN: High performance grid networks  
   Organisers: Marc De Leenheer, Chris Develder, and Dimitra Simeonidou

5. MCTB: Modern computer tools for the biosciences – a grid perspective  
   Organisers: Christophe Blanchet and Erik Bongcam-Rudloff

   Organisers: Stephen L. Scott and Chokchai (Box) Leanqsuksun

This year we have placed strict quality control on workshop papers, primarily by working with the workshop organizers to ensure that the acceptance rate of workshops is close to 50%. We are grateful to the workshop chairs to work along with us to ensure that the resulting selection demonstrates both novelty and quality.

To encourage participation at these workshops, we have also accepted a limited number of submissions as 1-page extended abstract. Also some workshops have invited keynote speakers, whose talk abstracts have been included in the proceedings. We would like to thank the above workshop organisers for their collaboration, tolerance, and hard work.
We would also like to thank members of the Steering Committee, especially Laurent Lefevre, Rajkumar Buyya, and Craig Lee for their suggestions and support.

Enjoy your workshops!

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