Message from the Workshop Chairs

In the recent past the Semantic Web initiative has grown from an idealistic vision to a major research field in the area of Web information systems. Its main objective is to transform the information on the World Wide Web in a machine processable form, to give information a well-defined meaning by considering its semantics, to improve the communication between computers and people, and finally to enable software to process Web based tasks on behalf of human users. A huge amount of researcher and their communities, research projects and activities have been carried out in order to make this vision reality.

The Tenth International Workshop on Web Semantics (WebS‘11) continues a series of successful workshops dedicated to this topic. Its main objective is to bring together researchers from both the theoretical and practical side with the aim of encouraging the exchange of ideas and experience between the various communities in the Semantic Web field. We received 14 papers from 11 countries and the WebS‘11 program committee finally selected 8 papers for presentation at the workshop.

We hope that the papers presented at the WebS‘11 Workshop and published in the IEEE Workshop proceedings bring novel, interesting, and an important contribution in the area of research and practice concerning Semantic Web techniques, and may be useful and inspiring for both the Workshop participants and the readers of the Workshop proceedings.

Finally, we would like thank the DEXA 2011 Workshop Chairs as well as the organizing committee of the 22nd International Conference on Database and Expert Systems Application (DEXA 2011) for their support and their cooperation. Furthermore, we would like to greatly thank all the members of our program committee and additional reviewers who have reviewed the papers very carefully and in a timely manner. We were also deeply impressed by the great amount of researches who have again agreed to join the WebS‘11 program committee. Thank you all!

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