Message from the General Chairs

We are very pleased to welcome our colleagues to the International Conference on Biometrics and Kansei Engineering (ICBAKE'09) 25-28 June 2009, Cieszyn, Poland. ICBAKE 2009 is organized by the AGH University of Science and Technology, Cracow, Poland. This multi-conference aims to bring many important research streams together: Biometrics and Kansei Engineering, Image Analysis and Biometrics applications in both behavioral and physiological categories comprise researches in Information Processing Systems and Human Biology, Behavior and people Emotion Measuring Techniques for Identification and Recognition of either their personality or emotional state. Therefore, researchers were encouraged to submit their contributions in both theoretical and practical aspects of the following topics.

**Biometrics:**
- Preprocessing Methods, Feature Extraction, Face Description and Identification, Iris Identification, Fingerprints, Hand Palm and Hand Geometry, Speech and speaker recognition and all other topics on Human Description, Classification, Identification and Description

**Kansei Engineering:**

**Affective Systems:**
- Face and Gesture Processing, Speech Processing, Evaluation of Affective Expressivity, Affective Database, Annotation and tools, Music Processing and Interaction

**Computer Information Systems:**
- Signal Analysis, Image Analysis and Processing, Computer Graphics and Vision, Object Classification, and Recognition, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Simulation, Computer Security and Safety, Medical, Multimedia, Industrial and other Applications

Each paper was peer reviewed by at least two or more program committee members and based on the recommendations of the reviewers, 45 papers were included in the final program. We would like to thank the ICBAKE'09 international program committee and the additional reviewers for providing the reviews in time. Our special thanks also go to all the plenary speakers for providing the very interesting and informed talks to catalyze subsequent discussions.

Our special thanks to Juan Guerrero, of IEEE Computer Society Press, for all the support and help related to the production of this important scientific work. Finally, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to all the authors and local organizing committees that have contributed towards the success of this conference. We look forward to seeing you in Cieszyn, Poland during ICBAKE 2009.

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