Welcome from the Program Chairs

We hereby extend our welcome to all of you and express our sincere gratitude to the authors and presenters of the papers of this International Conference on Convergence and Hybrid Information Technology (ICHIT 2008). The conference comprises these papers and presentations and takes place in Daejeon, Korea during August 28th-29th, 2008 (website http://www.ichit2008.org/).

Submitted abstracts and papers went through a thorough reviewing process and as a result, 186 articles were accepted for these ICHIT 2008 proceedings, which are published by IEEE Computer Society. The papers are principally concerned with the following domain areas as well as with others that are too numerous to list explicitly:

1. Bioinformatics and Computational Biology
2. Communications and Networking
3. Data Mining and Pattern Recognition
4. Grid and Distributed Computing
5. Intelligent Robotics and Autonomous Agents
6. Hardware and Software Design
7. Health and Medical Informatics
8. Learning Systems and Smart Card Technology
9. Human-Computer Interaction and Multimedia
10. Image and Signal Processing
11. Convergence in technology and evaluations
12. Convergence in Network and Intelligent systems
13. Convergence in Service and Management
14. Industrial and Environmental Engineering
15. Security and Safety Systems
16. KDD and Data Warehousing
17. Multi-Scale Modeling and Simulation
18. Ubiquitous Computing and Embedded Systems

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