Message from the Program Chairs

It is our great pleasure, on behalf of our conference and workshop Program Committees, to welcome you to Portland, Oregon, and to both the 7th ICIS and the 2nd IWEA. Both our conference and workshop are sponsored by ACIS and IEEE.

This conference and workshop are organized to gather members of our international community of computer scientists so that researchers from around the world can present their leading-edge work, expanding our community’s knowledge and insight into the significant challenges currently being addressed in that research. The conference Program Committee is itself quite diverse and truly international, with membership from Africa, Asia, Europe, the Americas, and Oceania. This year we have authors from at least 19 different countries presenting at the conference.

If you have attended an ICIS conference or IWEA workshop before, you are aware that the conference and workshop together report the results of research efforts in a broad range of computer science topics. For inclusion in this conference, we have accepted 108 papers after a peer-review evaluation of 320 papers (at least two reviewers each). The Program Committees encourage conference attendees to venture beyond their specific areas of expertise and to actively participate in sessions for which the constituent papers do not directly address attendees’ personal research interests. In doing so, we believe, the conference participants will encourage a synergistic and useful cross-fertilization of ideas.

We express our sincere appreciation for the efforts of all who made this event possible. In particular, we are grateful to Dr. C. V. Ramamoorthy of the University of California, Berkeley, and Professor David Garlan of Carnegie Mellon University who are our noted keynote speakers, to our Conference Chair (and Publicity Chair), our Finance and Registration Chair, our Publicity Co-Chairs, and our international cadre of reviewers—all of whom have generously contributed significant time toward the success of this event—and to you, the authors, the attendees, and the presenters, upon whom the success of this conference and workshop depend.

Finally, we hope that you will both benefit from and enjoy your participation in ICIS 2008 and WEA 2008 as well as your visit to Portland.

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