Message from the SNDS05 Chairs

Welcome to the First International Workshop on Security in Networks and Distributed Systems (SNDS05) in conjunction with the 11th International Conference on Parallel and Distributed Systems (ICPADS-2005) which was held in Fukuoka Institute of Technology (FIT), Fukuoka, Japan on July 20 (Wed.) to 22 (Fri.), 2005.

This workshop provides a forum for academic and industry professionals to discuss recent progress in the area of network and distributed system security, and includes studies on security attacks that occur in today's networks, security mechanisms that are designed to detect, prevent, or recover from a security attack and security services that are available to enhance system security.

This international workshop collected research papers on the above research issues from more than 10 countries and regions. Papers collected in this international workshop were carefully reviewed by at least 3 reviewers. Each program committee member was assigned 3-4 papers. According to the review results, the program committee member selected 17 papers to be presented in this workshop.

Putting together a workshop requires the time and effort of many people. First, we would like to thank all the authors for their hard work in preparing submissions to the workshop. We deeply appreciate the effort and contributions of the program committee members who worked very hard to send back their comments and to put together an exciting program. Especially, we thank the effort of those program committee members who delivered their reviews in a timely manner despite having to face very difficult personal situations. In addition, we would like to thank the ICPADS-2005 organization committee for their support, guidance, and help for making the workshop. We would like to greatly thank Prof. Jianhua Ma, Hosei University, and Prof. Laurence T. Yang, St. Francis Xavier University. They kindly helped us to organize this workshop as ICPADS-2005 Workshop Co-chairs. Also, we would like to thank Dr. Cheng-Zhong Xu for his help and guidance throughout this workshop. Finally, we would like to give our special thank to the local organizers at Fukuoka Institute of Technology (FIT) and to those people who have kindly helped us prepare and organize the SNDS05 workshop.

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