Message from the General Chair

I am delighted to welcome you to the 2015 International Symposium on Performance Analysis of Systems and Software. For fifteen years, the conference has provided a vibrant venue for the publication of new findings in methodologies for performance analysis. These findings are instrumental to broader research in systems and architecture. The continued strength of the conference, the enthusiasm of its participants, and the rigor of its program attest to the value that researchers place in performance analysis.

Philadelphia. I am also excited to welcome you to Philadelphia! The fifth largest city in the United States by population, Philadelphia played a unique role in early American history, which you can experience with visits to Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, and Congress Hall. The conference venue at Penn’s Landing places us on the waterfront with views of the Delaware River. In addition to the city’s unique character, Philadelphia offers easy accessibility for ISPASS participants, who are increasingly traveling from outside the United States. Philadelphia offers direct flights to and from many international destinations, which facilitates travel and increases participation.

Program. Jose Renau (Program Chair) assembled an outstanding program committee to produce a set of quality papers that reflect the depth and breadth of the ISPASS community. Furthermore, Andrew Hilton (Workshops/Tutorials Chair) received a number of strong workshop and tutorial proposals, producing a strong collection of supplemental material that is well aligned with the core conference. The number of submissions for the main conference and its associated workshops reflect the community’s regard for the ISPASS audience.

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I am honored that the ISPASS steering committee has entrusted me with the organization of this conference in its fifteen anniversary. I look forward to another fifteen years of great research in performance analysis of systems and software.

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