Message from the Program Chairs


In its eighth year, MASCOTS has come of age. MASCOTS is now a well-established symposium in modeling and analysis of computer architecture, networking and telecommunication systems. For the third time, MASCOTS returns to California, where it started, with Silicon Valley, world-class universities, and many more opportunities nearby. Like in previous years, MASCOTS is co-located with the Workshop on Distributed Simulation and Real Time Applications (DS-RT 2000), which we hope will give an additional benefit for the exchange of ideas for the participants of both events.

We received 94 high-quality submissions from all over the world. Based on the recommendations of our program committee members and reviewers, we selected 57 regular papers, and 10 papers for tool session presentation with live demonstrations. For administering paper submissions and reviews, we used the public domain system “Wimpe.” All submissions and reviews have been done electronically with a web-based interface, which greatly simplified our work. Many thanks go to David Nicol for making this system available to us.

As in previous years, the program committee invited several leading experts to talk on vital issues in modeling and analysis of computer and telecommunication systems. We thank our invited speakers for sharing their ideas and experiences with us, and we hope you will enjoy their presentations.

We would like to thank our program committee members and all reviewers for conducting the paper reviews and giving valuable feedback to the authors. Thanks to Peter Wilke and Guenter Mamier for getting the Tools Fair on the road, as in many previous years. We also would like to thank Alois Ferscha for sharing with us his experiences with MASCOTS ’99. And many thanks to the inner circle who made it all happen: Jozo Dujmovic, General Chair; William Hsu, Local Arrangements Chair; David Finkel, Finance and Registration Chair; Gary Tan, Publicity Chair’ and of course Kallol Bagchi, the leading figure in the background.

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