Welcome Message from Research Track
Program Chairs


This year, the conference received 109 submissions, of which 14 were accepted for publication as full-length papers, and 15 were accepted for short-paper/poster presentations. The selection process was difficult, and consisted of a rigorous review by a technical program committee formed from an international group of prominent experts in storage systems and technologies. Each paper was reviewed by at least three reviewers, and more than 96% of the reviews were from PC members. The final selection of papers was based on the perceived quality and originality of the submissions, as well as their relevance to the themes of the conference.

It has been our great pleasure and privilege to serve as Program Chairs for the MSST2013 Research Track, and we are indebted to so many. We are particularly grateful for the hard work of the committee and organizers. The reviewers on the technical program committee worked tirelessly to prepare and discuss the reviews of the submitted papers. Without their hard work and that of the scholars and researchers who submitted their works for review, this program would not be possible. We are in debt to the members of the program committee and the external reviewers who worked very hard to review the submitted papers. Their hard work makes the program possible.

We would also like to thank the MSST steering committee: Sam Coleman, Merritt Jones, Ben Kobler, and Ethan Miller for giving us this opportunity to serve the storage systems research community and for their wise guidance, and tireless support throughout preparing for this conference. It is thanks to their efforts, and the generous support of the conference sponsors, that we can meet today in this beautiful and fun venue.

We hope you all enjoy the program and have a lot of fun aboard the historic Queen Mary in Long Beach, CA.

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