Preface

MUE 2009

Based on the great success of previous MUE conferences, the 3rd International Conference on Multimedia and Ubiquitous Engineering (MUE’09) is a comprehensive conference focusing on the various aspects of advances in multimedia and ubiquitous engineering. Multimedia and ubiquitous computing has rapidly emerged as an exciting new paradigm to provide computing life services anywhere at any time. Our conference provides a chance for academics and industry professionals to discuss recent progress in the area of multimedia and ubiquitous environments including models and systems, new directions, novel applications associated with the utilization and acceptance of ubiquitous computing devices and systems.

MUE 2007 and MUE 2008 were held in Seoul, Korea and Busan, Korea respectively. MUE 2009 takes place in Qingdao, China, June 4-6, 2009. It is organized by Huazhong University of Science and Technology (HUST) and Ocean University of China (OUC), in cooperation with colleagues worldwide.

A total of 205 papers from 15 countries were submitted to the main MUE 2009 conference. All the papers were assigned to three reviewers from the conferences technical program committee and their colleagues and at least two reviews were received for every paper. In order to ensure a high quality of the conference, 62 papers were finally accepted for the main conference. We believe that, these papers and topics can not only provide new ideas, novel results, work in progress and state-of-the-art techniques in these fields, but also stimulate the future research activities in the area of multimedia and ubiquitous science and engineering.

In addition, four workshops were held in conjunction with the conference:

- The 5th International Workshop on Mobile Commerce and Services (WMCS 2009)
- 2009 International Workshop on Theory and Applications Frontier of Location Based Services (TAFLBS 2009)
- The International Workshop on Network Security and Network Management (NSNM 2009)

The objective of these workshops is to complement the spectrum of the main conference, which provides a premier international forum for researchers from academia and industry. The four workshops accepted 27 papers which were selected by the program committee on the basis of the review reports.

This conference, including its four workshops, is a result of the hard work of many people. First of all, we wish to thank all of the authors who submitted their papers. We are grateful to the steering committee, external reviewers, program and technical committee members for their extraordinary dedication and distinguished reviewing efforts that guarantee the quality of the proceedings. We also are grateful to our keynote speakers for their kindly support and remarkable guidance. We would like to express our earnest thanks to everyone involved.

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