Message from the NCA 2005 Program Committee

Welcome to NCA 2005, the 4th IEEE International Symposium on Network Computing and Applications. As the name suggests, NCA is a forum for researchers with different backgrounds related to networking, from protocol issues up to middleware and applications. The spectrum of the Symposium is large, which is a good opportunity for attendees to widen their interest topics and to discover problems that may have links to their research.

This year 92 papers were submitted, out of which the Program Committee selected 22 regular papers and 18 short papers. The Program Committee extends its thanks to all authors who submitted papers to NCA 2005. The symposium followed a fast review schedule and the Program Committee responded with aplomb to this challenge. Thanks are also due to the many external reviewers for their efforts to meet our hard deadlines. The benefit of the short review period is that the authors were notified very quickly. We are convinced that a good set of papers has been selected to be presented at NCA 2005, and we expect that the papers presented at the symposium will generate interesting and lively discussions.

We also hope that NCA 2005 will contribute to the growth and the development of the NCA Symposium and will increase its visibility. We believe that NCA has found its place among the conferences related to networking and distributed systems. With a good and rigorous scientific leadership, NCA should be able to continue growing and enter the ranks of the best conferences in networking and distributed systems.

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