Message from the PDCAT 2016 General Chair

Welcome to PDCAT 2016, the 17th International Conference on Parallel and Distributed Computing, Applications and Technologies. PDCAT is an annual international conference covering the theory, design, analysis, evaluation and application of parallel and distributed computing systems.

Following the great successes of PDCAT 2000 in Hong Kong; PDCAT 2001 in Taipei; PDCAT 2002 in Kanazawa, Japan; PDCAT 2003 in Chengdu, China; PDCAT 2004 in Singapore; PDCAT 2005 in Dalian, China; PDCAT 2006 in Taipei; PDCAT 2007 in Adelaide, Australia; PDCAT 2008 in Dunedin, New Zealand; PDCAT 2009 in Hiroshima, Japan; PDCAT 2010 in Wuhan, China; PDCAT 2011 in Gwangju, Korea; PDCAT 2012 in Beijing, China; PDCAT 2013 in Taipei; and PDCAT 2015 in Jeju, Korea, PDCAT 2016 will be held for the first time in Guangzhou, which is the third largest Chinese city and serves as an important national transportation hub and trading port.

The Organizing Committee and Program Committee have put together an exciting conference program. There are also social occasions that are important to networking with colleagues from different parts of the world.

It would not have been possible for PDCAT 2016 to take place without help and support from various people. The efforts of authors, program committee members and reviewers are essential to the conference’s quality, and deserve my utmost appreciation. I also wish to thank the local organization committee members for all their hard work for making PDCAT 2016 a great success, and thank our sponsors, Sun Yat-Sen University and IEEE Computer Society Technical Committee on Parallel Processing, for their support. Last but not the least, I wish to thank Geoffrey Fox from Indiana University; Lionel M. Ni from the University of Macau; Hui Lei from Watson Health Cloud, IBM; Jie Lu from the University of Technology Sydney; Jifeng He from the East China Normal University; and Depei Qian from Sun Yat-sen University/Beihang University, who kindly accepted my invitation to deliver keynote speeches and helped attain the objectives of the conference.

I hope that all participants will enjoy PDCAT 2016 and have a great time in Guangzhou.

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