Preface

This volume contains the proceedings of POLICY 2010, the IEEE International Symposium on Policies for Distributed Systems and Networks. POLICY 2010 took place during July 21-23 2010, at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA, USA. The POLICY conference series brings together scientific domain experts, policy researchers, practitioners, and developers for the presentation and exchange of current research concepts, tools, and techniques for policies for distributed systems and networks. POLICY organizers strive to provide a stimulating environment to encourage discussion, fellowship, and exchange of ideas in all aspects of research related to policies in distributed systems and networks, including both original research contributions and insights from practical policy systems design, implementation, and evaluation.

POLICY 2010 received 63 submissions from 21 countries. Each submission was reviewed by three program committee members, leading to the acceptance of 11 long papers and 14 short papers. The short papers include a mix of demonstrations as well as traditional conference papers.

This year we also benefitted from four invited presentations. Lorrie Faith Cranor of Carnegie Mellon University explained how to build better privacy policies. Reagan Moore from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill talked about policy-based data management. Boon Thau Loo from the University of Pennsylvania gave an overview of declarative policy-based networking, and Annie Anton from North Carolina State University discussed compliance with policies and regulations.

Organizing POLICY 2010 was a team effort that involved many people. We thank our general chair Duminda Wijesekera for his careful attention to so many details, and the POLICY steering committee for their guidance. The program committee and our external referees did an excellent job with their timely review and careful discussion of all our submissions. We thank our shepherds for their extra effort to ensure that POLICY remains a premier forum. We also appreciate Joana M. F. da Trindade’s help in running our EasyChair site and assembling the proceedings. We thank Patty Park at George Mason University for her work on local arrangements and registration.

We hope that you enjoy the proceedings!

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