Welcome to QSIC 2007—the Seventh International Conference on Quality Software! QSIC brings together researchers and practitioners working to improve the quality of software to present new results and exchange ideas.

We have prepared a strong and varied technical program spread over seven regular paper sessions, four short paper sessions, one distinguished plenary panel, and two keynote addresses. We are honored to have Professor Edward A. Lee, Chair of EECS and Robert S. Pepper Distinguished Professor, UC Berkeley, and Dr. Solom Heddaya, Head of Windows OS Reliability, Microsoft Corp., to be our distinguished keynote speakers. We received 92 submissions from 29 countries. Each submission was carefully evaluated by at least three reviewers. The reviews were used for selecting papers to be presented at the conference. Twenty-four regular papers have been accepted. These papers cover a broad spectrum of areas including software testing, verification, reliability, security, model checking, and quality assurance. Also included are papers on component-based software, distributed systems, and embedded systems. In addition, 25 submissions have been accepted as short papers. One associated workshop emphasizes “Software Test Evaluation.” It includes six regular papers and one position paper.

We thank our distinguished keynote speakers, panelists, and all of the authors for sharing their ideas and results with us, and all of the members of the Program Committee and reviewers for their help in evaluating and selecting high-quality papers. Their participation has been crucial to the success of QSIC 2007. Special thanks to Professor T. H. Tse for his continuous support and encouragement, to Professor T. Y. Chen for his insightful suggestions, and to Mr. Lei Zhao for maintaining the conference website and assisting with registration.

On behalf of the Program Committee, we thank all participants for attending QSIC 2007 and hope that you enjoy the conference.

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