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In this second edition we strove to reinforce the high standards of the previous workshop: renowned researchers have been invited for the Program Committee; a double blind review process was used to evaluate the submissions based on quality, maturity and clarity of the research problem and research methodology; and generous time slots have been allocated to enable deeper debates and feedback.

I hope that students find the workshop as worthwhile as those involved in the first edition did, and that meaningful contributions for their thesis may emerge.

Since organizing such an event is a team effort, I would like to conclude this message by thanking the valuable contribution of the other members of the Program Committee:

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