Message from General Chair

It is my pleasure to invite you to the latest edition of the IEEE International Conference on Technology for Education (T4E 2016).

T4E 2016 is scheduled to be held at the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, India during December 2-4, 2016. This is the 8th year of the conference. The first one, held in Bangalore during August 4-6, 2009 was an International Workshop on Technology for Education. The success of T4E 2009 inspired the community to enlarge the scope of T4E from that of a Workshop to an annual Conference to be held in major centers of learning technology in India. IIT Bombay shouldered the responsibility for T4E 2010. T4E 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 were held at IIT Madras, IIIT Hyderabad, IIT Kharagpur, Amrita University and NIT Warangal respectively.

This series has aimed at providing platform for innovations in educational technology to bring them to wider educator community as well as fostering dialogue among researchers. Researchers and educators from computing and education alike have found these discussions beneficial. Consequently, from the very beginning, this conference series has focused on research, design and development of technology for education and related pedagogical issues, where participants have shared their ideas and validated their own work. It has also encouraged more academics and industry professionals to engage in this emerging field. Over the last few years, internationally acclaimed experts have been delivering keynote speeches and tutorial sessions for the benefit of those who are interested in entering new areas of research. Successive T4E conferences have added wider range of activities to popularize and accelerate the growth of high quality research in this field.

Since 2011, all T4E conferences have been fully sponsored by the IEEE Computer Society. This ensured that well established norms are followed and standards are kept high. Since details of technical papers, keynote and invited speakers and also of technical events are available elsewhere, I restrict myself to the very pleasant task of thanking and welcoming everyone associated with this conference.

I begin by welcoming all the participants of the T4E 2016 to IIT Bombay, and hope that you will enjoy not only the professional aspects of this conference and make lots of friends, but will also enjoy the experience that one of the premier institutes of technology affords. Mumbai, where IIT Bombay is located, is rich in Indian history.

I thank the Program Chairs Prof. Sahana Murthy and Prof. Viraj Kumar for their enormous contribution and hard work. I also take this opportunity to thank Prof. Sandhya Kode and Prof. Kamal Bijlani - Steering Committee Chair and Vice Chair respectively for their guidance. Special thanks are also due to all the Keynote Speakers for agreeing to share their knowledge and wisdom. I thank all the eminent members of the International Advisory Board for their guidance and extremely valuable contributions. This conference would not have been possible without the untiring work of Organising Chair Prof. Sridhar Iyer, Finance Chair Prof. Kannan Moudgalya,
Publicity Chair Prof. Venkatesh Chopella, Workshop Chair Prof. Venkatesh Kamat, Academic Liaison Chair Prof. I.A.K. Reddy, Industry Liaison Chair Dr. Om Deshmukh and PhD Symposium Chair Dr. T. Venkatesh. I also sincerely thank all those who have contributed very meaningfully to this conference but have remained invisible to many of us.

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