Preface of MENS’10

The 2nd International Symposium on Multidisciplinary Emerging Networks and Systems

Welcome to the 2nd International Symposium on Multidisciplinary Emerging Networks (MENS 2010), which is held in conjunction with the seventh International Conference on Autonomic and Trusted Computing (ATC 2010), in Xi’an, China, October 26 - 29, 2010.

As computing and network systems gradually become the fundamental infrastructure of our information society, many multidisciplinary research topics emerge to reflect the features of our economics and society. As we know, in the research and application of autonomous networks and systems, only technical viewpoint is far away from sufficient. Thus, multidisciplinary perspectives and approaches will shed new light on various related issues in autonomous networks and systems, and foster new applications. In this direction, biology, psychology, economics, social network, and many other research fields can provide many helpful hints for autonomous networks and systems research. Furthermore, one special session on “Assurance Networks” is also held in MENS 2010.

In order to guarantee high-quality proceedings, each submission to MENS 2010 was peer-reviewed by two or three program committee members. It was extremely difficult to select the presentations for the symposium because there were so many excellent and interesting ones. We finally decided to accept 18 papers for oral presentations including one keynote speech “Assurance Networks: Concepts, Technologies, and Case Studies” by Prof. Yoshiaki Kakuda from Hiroshima City university, Japan. We believe all of these papers will not only provide novel ideas, new results, work-in-progress and state-of-the-art techniques in this field, but also stimulate future research activities.

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