Chairs’ Message


The pervasive connectivity of the Internet and the powerful architecture of the WWW have created a tremendous opportunity for conducting business on the Internet. The terms e-commerce and e-business have been used to describe those systems and technologies that make conducting business on the Internet possible. The purpose of this workshop is to identify and explore the technical and related technology management issues and solutions for e-commerce on the Internet.

This year’s program features again a wide variety of papers focusing on cutting-edge topics. WECWIS has proven to be an excellent catalyst for further research and collaboration, and we fully expect that this year’s meeting will continue this trend. The program features a variety of papers, focusing on topics ranging from Web services, to Internet infrastructures, auctions, and pricing.

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