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Message from the General Chair

The IEEE WETICE conference brings together researchers from around the world to share the latest advances in the field of enabling technologies for collaboration. It provides a high-quality forum for research in the theory and the practice. These are the proceedings of IEEE WETICE 2013, held for the first time in Hammamet, Tunisia, in June 2013. It is an honor for our ReDCAD laboratory to have been selected to organize and host this event and for me to act as General Chair.

The previous WETICE conferences have been very successful and this 2013 conference has attracted a high number of high-quality submissions and attendance. In WETICE 2013 submissions were invited to thirteen special tracks. The aims of these special tracks were to give researchers from these areas a strong focus, to provide a forum for discussion and to ensure that the impact of both theoretical contributions and innovative applications were recognized. The tracks were chaired by leaders in the corresponding fields.

My special thanks go to the sponsor of WETICE 2013: IEEE Computer Society, West Virginia University and ReDCAD Laboratory. We are particularly grateful for the strong support by the Faculty of Economics and Management of Sfax and the National Engineering School of Sfax. Also to be acknowledged are the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research and the University of Sfax for their supports that contribute to the overall success of this event.

Furthermore, many people contributed to the success of WETICE 2013. I am happy to thank the Program Committee Chairs Mohamed Jmaiel and Sumitra Reddy, as well as the Steering Committee Chair Khalil Drira for their continual and efficient support and their hard work to produce an outstanding program. My special thank go to all members of the Organizing Committee for their dedication, enthusiasm, and attention to detail, and wish to particularly thank Slim Kallel and Mohamed Hadj Kacem as co-chairs for their contributions. Finally, I would like to thank the programme committee for their hard work, all the authors, speakers and participants for making IEEE WETICE a success event.

Enjoy your visit to Hammamet and explore its cultural and geographical rich history.

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