Message from the General Co-chairs

Welcome to the WISA 2009, the Sixth Web Information Systems and Applications Conference. Welcome to SWON and EGTA, workshops held in conjunction with WISA 2009. As conference chairs, it is a pleasure to welcome you to Xuzhou and to China, for the WISA 2009 sponsored by IEEE Computer Society and Chinese Computer Federation. Xuzhou is the fourth largest prefecture-level city in the Jiangsu province, China. It is known for its convenient location as a transportation hub in northern Jiangsu. It is also a fascinating and historic city with a deep tradition of enlightenment.

Internet and Web have brought the deep effects on our society and made Web information system become one of the main popular distributed application systems which take a more and more important role in information systems of various organizations and enterprises. The rich conference program includes 10 sessions of paper presentations, panel discussions and workshops, and covering many aspects of Internet and Web information and applications. This could not have been possible without the hard work of our excellent Program Co-chairs Guoren Wang, Qiaoming Zhu, and Shiguang Ju.

The organization of such a conference is not easy, and this is made possible by many people’s hard work. We would like to thank so many organizers, particularly the Publication Chairs, Lei Xu and Lin Chen; the Publicity Chair, Lizhen Xu; the Local Arrangement Co-chairs Shujuan Jiang and Junyan Qian. Their hard work is much appreciated.

WISA is an annual national conference on Web Information Systems and Applications (WISA) sponsored by the Electronic Government and Office Automation Society of China Computer Federation. Two workshops SWON09 and EGTA09 are held in conjunction with the main conference. Previous WISA conferences were held in Wuhan (2004), Shenyang (2005), Nanjing (2006), Beijing (2007) and Xi’an (2008). This year, SWON is the 4th workshop on Semantic Web and Ontology while EGTA is the 3rd workshop on Electronic Government Technology and Application.

We would like express our appreciation to the China University of Mining and Technology (CUMT). WISA 2009 will hold in CUMT this year, and we hope you find the rich program, outstanding speakers. We also hope that you enjoy yourselves in Xuzhou to renew friendships and make new friends. And if you can spare the time, please explore and take advantage of Xuzhou’s unique and spectacular scenery.

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