Preface

This volume of WISE’2000 Proceedings contains papers presented at the following three WISE workshops:

- WISE Workshop — The 10th International Database Symposium on Mobile, XML and Post-relational Databases, organized by Joseph Fong;
- WISE Workshop on Web-based Education & Learning, organized by Yun Yang;

These three workshops were held on 21 June, 2000, in Hong Kong, immediately after the First International Conference on Web Information Systems Engineering (WISE’2000).

When we were planning WISE series conferences last year, the Steering Committee of WISE conferences decided to establish a tradition of having satellite workshops around the main conference. The workshops are intended to provide an informal setting for active, focused exchange among researchers, developers and users on selected topics on Web Information Systems. We also decided to adopt a single registration for workshops and the main conference to encourage cross attendance in order to maximize the benefits for the people who attend the WISE conference or a WISE workshop.

The three workshops this year, selected from six workshop proposals we received, present high quality papers on very interesting Web Information Systems related topics. The papers accepted by all the three workshops have gone through the review process. Limited by the duration of the workshops, it is unfortunate to see many good submissions are not accepted this year.

Without enthusiasm and excellent effort of the three workshop organizers, Joseph Fong, Yun Yang and William Song, the success of WISE’2000 workshops is impossible. It is equally impossible without the commitment and support from WISE’2000 organizers, in particular Yanchun Zhang (General Co-Chair), Qing Li (PC Co-Chair) and Xiaohua Jia (Conference Treasurer). I also take this opportunity to thank Monica Lau, our conference secretary, for her tireless and always immediate help in many logistic matters.

Finally, I thank all the colleagues who have submitted workshop proposals. And on behalf of Joseph, Yun and William, I thank all the authors and participants who have contributed to WISE workshops.

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