Program Chairs' Message

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to LA-WEB's Eighth edition. This year's technical program attracted submissions from Latin America, Europe, and the U.S. in a variety of topics. Selection was competitive, and as in previous editions, we decided to maintain a single track program, for which the main criteria for selection were technical quality and novelty with respect to the state of the art.

The program is split into five sessions: Web IR and XML Querying, social Web, user behavior and recommendations, clustering and virtual worlds, and sponsored search and network security. The program includes research papers in diverse and relevant topics such as visualization, eye tracking, and clustering, with applications in education, politics, search, and other domains.

We expect the presentations to lead to lively discussions and to help attendees identify open issues and opportunities for future work.

We hope that you find the program to be as exciting as we do, and that the conference gives you the opportunity to share ideas with other researchers and practitioners from institutions around the world. In particular, we hope that the technical program also sets the basis for discussion on the topics that are most relevant for the Web, specifically in Latin America.

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