Message from the
Program Chair and Vice Chairs

We are pleased to announce an excellent technical program for the 6th International Conference on Pervasive Computing and Communications. The program covers a broad cross section of topics in pervasive computing and communications. This year, 160 papers were submitted for consideration to the program committee. As a result, the selection process was highly competitive, and the result is a program of high-quality papers.

The review process was carried out in two phases. Each paper was assigned to three members of the program committee. In the first phase of the review process, program committee members were asked to nominate papers for full review; approximately 5 percent of the papers were rejected in this phase due to violations of the submission guidelines, relevance to the conference scope, or because they were not deemed to be competitive with the remaining papers given the expected low acceptance rate. The remaining papers received between 3-6 full reviews each, either by program committee members or by carefully selected external reviewers.

The program committee meeting took place in East Lansing, MI on October 27. At this meeting 19 papers were accepted as full papers, resulting in a 12 percent acceptance rate. In addition, 6 papers were accepted as concise contributions and 10 papers were accepted for poster presentation. At the TPC meeting, and in further email discussion, several papers were nominated for the best paper award. A small committee has been formed to select the best paper.

This year’s program is organized into nine sessions: best papers, RFID in pervasive computing, pervasive networking, localization and its applications, application of pervasive systems, software engineering, security and privacy, data management, context aware pervasive systems, and the poster session. With such a broad program, we hope that every attendee will benefit listening to several presentations of interest.

We thank the members of the program committee and the external reviewers for their work in preparing the reviews. We thank Lionel Ni (General Chair) and Jiannong Cao, (General Vice-Chair) for their support.

We hope that you enjoy the program at Percom 2008!

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