Message from the General Chairs

SAINT 2011

On behalf of the IEEE Computer Society and Information Processing Society of Japan (IPSJ), we would like to welcome you to the 11th International Symposium on Applications and the Internet (SAINT 2011). SAINT was first held in 2001 and has been held every year in USA and Japan alternatively till 2004, and Europe from 2005. We are very pleased to return to Europe to hold the conference in Munich, GERMANY.

SAINT was designed as an international conference addressing important research challenges in both networking and applications. The important change in the symposium organization was introduced from SAINT 2008. From that year, SAINT was co-located with COMPSAC (IEEE Annual Conference on Computer Software and Applications) which is also a major international conference for computer software and applications.

In order to facilitate the coordination of these two conferences, SAINT and COMPSAC have joint keynotes and joint panels so that both communities can exchange their ideas and new research results. We also developed the joint doctoral symposium to provide an international forum for doctoral students to interact with other students, faculty mentors, industry and government. New in 2011, conference host Siemens will afford these students a technical tour to their Munich based research labs. We hope that such joint activities will contribute to an exciting exchange of ideas and research directions between SAINT and COMPSAC participants.

We would like to thank Sumi Helal, Steering Committee Chair, and all other members of SAINT 2011’s organizing committee who worked very hard in making SAINT 2011 a successful event. Special thanks go to the SAINT 2011 Program Chairs Hiroyuki Ohsaki and Max Muhlhauser for an outstanding technical program and to the Workshop Organizers Kazutoshi Fujikawa and Ying Cai for an exciting workshop program. Nariyoshi Yamai and Ming Zhao made a great contribution on joint doctoral symposium. Klaus Beetz of Siemens AG, also in his capacity as the General Chair for IEEE COMPSAC, is an exemplary host for the 2011 event. Frances Paulisch deserves a round of applause for her dedicated work and outstanding organizing effort to have mapped out all details of local arrangements. Last but not least, Katsuyuki Yamazaki, known as “Yama” to both communities, always provided leadership and timely advice in his capacity as the Chair of SAINT Standing Committee. We thank him so much!

We feel confident that you will enjoy the joint SAINT 2011 and COMPSAC 2011 conferences, and we hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to discuss new ideas advancing the state of the art in Internet applications and networking. Please also remember to enjoy Munich in the wonderful July.

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