

Welcome to HotP2P '07

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We warmly welcome you to Hot-P2P '07, the fourth International Workshop on Hot Topics in Peer-to-Peer Systems, sponsored by the IEEE Computer Society and by the Italian FIRB "WebMINDS" Project, and held jointly with the International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium 2007 (IPDPS 2007) in Long Beach, California, on March 30th 2007.

Hot-P2P '07 is an international meeting that brings together researchers and practitioners, from both industry and academia, in the fields of systems, networking, and theory, and represents an occasion to share latest research results and ideas on P2P systems, thereby promoting research activities in this area. This fourth edition of the workshop follows the first one, held on October 8th, 2004 in Volendam (The Netherlands), the second one, held on July 21st, 2005 in San Diego (California), and the third one, held on April 29th, 2006 in Rhodes (Greece), the latter also in conjunction with IPDPS.

We issued a Call for Papers with interests in the following topics related to Peer-to-Peer systems: Applications of P2P systems; P2P systems and infrastructures; Performance evaluation of P2P systems; Workload characterization for P2P systems; Trust and Security issues in P2P systems; Network support for P2P systems; Protocols for resource management, discovery, scheduling, and their evaluation; Fault tolerance in P2P systems; DHT and other scalable lookup algorithms; Self-organization and self-management in Grid-like environments.

In response to the Call for Papers, we received 18 papers, and each of them was reviewed by at least three anonymous referees. In consultation with members of the Program Committee, after the re-examination of papers we have finally decided to accept 11 of the submitted papers. In addition, two invited papers are also included in the program.

The 11 accepted and 2 invited papers have been organized in 6 sessions.

Session 1: Replication

(invited paper) "Threat-adaptive dynamic fragment replication in large scale distributed systems"
"Effects of Replica Placement Algorithms on Performance of structured Overlay Networks"
"A Resource Allocation Problem in Replicated P2P Storage Systems"

Session 2: Monitoring and Management

"kP2PADM: An In-kernel Gateway Architecture for Managing P2P Traffic"
"A Peer-to-Peer Infrastructure for Autonomous Grid Monitoring"

Session 3: APIs and Middleware

"A Pretty Flexible API for Generic Peer-to-Peer Programming"
"Spinneret: A log random substrate for P2P networks"

Session 4: Routing

(invited paper) "Using Linearization for Global Consistency in SSR"
"Performance Modelling of Peer-to-Peer Routing"
"Reliable Routing of Event Notifications over P2P Overlay Routing Substrate in Event Based Middleware"

Session 5: Proximity

"PON: Exploiting Proximity on Overlay Networks"
"Proximity-Aware Collaborative Multicast for Small P2P Communities"

Session 6: Document Sharing

"Description and Performance Evaluation of a Peer-to-Peer System for Document Sharing and Tracking using Pull-Only Information Dissemination"

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