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Message from the Workshops Chair



Welcome to IPDPS 2007 in Long Beach. This year's workshops program includes 21 workshops with a total of 333 papers. Many of the workshops have grown steadily in strength and several are now operating with parallel sessions or on multiple days. We are pleased to welcome two new workshops this year, one on Multithreaded Architectures and Applications and the other on Large-Scale, Volatile Desktop Grids. As always, we are looking for new workshop proposals for the next IPDPS.

It is my great pleasure to work with such a diverse and energetic group of workshop organizers. It is impossible to over-emphasize our appreciation for all these people who invest so much time and energy to create and publicize the workshops, collect and review submissions, and then organize the programs. Their contribution to the community is enormous, and I urge every participant to personally thank these individuals for their hard work and dedication. I've also been fortunate to have the assistance of Yuanyuan Yang as my workshop vice chair again this year. Her effort, especially in dealing with EDAS system issues, has been most welcome.

In the IPDPS organization, I must first thank Shoukat Ali for his amazingly efficient management of the camera-ready paper submission process. Unless you've been on his end of this frantic endeavor, you can't begin to imagine what he and his helpers go through in the week that papers all pour in. Thanks to Sally Jelinek for her wide-ranging efforts - "production chair" doesn't begin to describe all of the jobs she tackles for this conference, including the workshops. Besides designing the proceedings and overseeing the proceedings production process, many of our workshop attendees can thank her for arranging invitation letters for visas. She will also be one of the smiling faces at the registration desk, so when you see her, be sure to say thanks. Susamma Barua has once again handled the very complicated local arrangements for the workshops, including arranging space, A/V needs, and refreshments. While you drink your coffee during a break, stop by the registration desk and offer your compliments. As usual, Bill Pitts has kept the financial wheels turning smoothly. Thanks also to Anna Brown for keeping the workshop web page and links up to date.

Long Beach is a wonderful location for a conference, and I hope that everyone has both great technical interactions at the workshops and conference, and a fine time taking advantage of all that Long Beach has to offer.

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