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Welcome to the Ninth IEEE International Symposium on Parallel and Distributed Processing with Applications (ISPA 2011), which will be held in Busan, Korea, May 26–28, 2011.

ISPA 2011 will foster state-of-the-art research in the area of parallel and distributed computing and networking, including reliability, fault tolerance, and security issues as well as algorithms and performance evaluation and measurement in parallel and distributed computing environments. ISPA 2011 will also provide an opportunity for academic and industry professionals to discuss the latest issues and progress in the area of parallel and distributed computing and networking.

For ISPA 2011, we received a total of 159 paper submissions from more than 20 countries. Out of these, after a rigorous peer review process, we accepted 55 articles for the ISPA 2011 proceedings, published by the IEEE. All submitted papers have undergone blind reviews by at least three reviewers from the technical program committee, which consists of leading researchers around the globe. Without their hard work, achieving such a high-quality proceedings would not have been possible. We take this opportunity to thank them for their great support and cooperation.

We would like to sincerely thank the following speakers who kindly accepted our invitations, and, in this way, helped to meet the objectives of the conference:

- Kai Hwang, University of Southern California, USA
- Jianhua Ma, Hosei University, Japan
- Tai Myung Chung, Sungkyunkwan University, Korea
- Xian-He Sun, Illinois Institute of Technology, USA

Finally, we would like to thank all of you for your participation in our symposium, and also thank all the authors, reviewers, and organizing committee members.

Thank you and enjoy the symposium!

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