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Preface

Welcome to the proceedings of ISPA 2005 which was held in the city of Nanjing. Parallel computing has become a mainstream research area in computer science and the ISPA conference has become one of the premier forums for the presentation of new and exciting research on all aspects of parallel computing. We are pleased to present the proceedings for the 3rd International Symposium on Parallel and Distributed Processing and Applications (ISPA 2005), which comprises a collection of excellent technical papers, and keynote speeches. The papers accepted cover a wide range of exciting topics, including architectures, software, networking, and applications.

The conference continues to grow and this year a record total of 968 manuscripts (including workshop submissions) were submitted for consideration by the Program Committee or workshops. From the 645 papers submitted to the main conference, the Program Committee selected only 90 long papers and 19 short papers in the program. Eight workshops complemented the outstanding paper sessions.

The submission and review process worked as follows. Each submission was assigned to two Program Committee members for review. Each Program Committee member prepared a single review for each assigned paper or assigned a paper to an outside reviewer for review. In addition, the program chairs, vice program chairs, and general chairs read all papers when a conflicting review result occured. Given the large number of submissions, each Program Committee member was assigned roughly 15–20 papers. Based on the review scores, the program chairs along with the vice program chairs made the final decision.

The excellent program required a lot of effort from many people. First, we would like to thank all the authors for their hard work in preparing submissions to the conference. We deeply appreciate the effort and contributions of the Program Committee members who worked very hard to select the very best submissions and to put together an exciting program. The effort of the external reviewers is also deeply appreciated. We are also very grateful to Prof. Sartaj Sahni, Prof. Pen-Chung Yew, and Prof. Susumu Horiguchi for accepting our invitation to present keynote speeches. Thanks go to the workshop chairs for organizing eight excellent workshops on several important topics related to parallel and distributed computing and applications.

We deeply appreciate the tremendous efforts of the vice program chairs, Prof. Ivan Stojmenovic, Prof. Mohamed Ould-Khaoua, Prof. Mark Baker, Prof. Jingling Xue, and Prof. Zhi-Hua Zhou. We would like to thank the general co-chairs, Prof. Jack Dongarra, Prof. Jiannong Cao, and Prof. Jian Lu, for their advice and continued support. Finally, we would like to thank the Steering Committee chairs, Prof. Sartaj Sahni, Prof. Yaoxue Zhang, and Prof. Minyi Guo for the opportunity to serve as the program chairs as well as their guidance through the process. We hope that the attendees enjoyed this conference, found the technical program to be exciting, and had a wonderful time in Nanjing.

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