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Preface

These proceedings contain the papers presented at the 2005 IFIP International Conference on Network and Parallel Computing (NPC 2005), held in Beijing, China, between November 30 and December 3, 2005. The goal of the conference was to establish an international forum for engineers and scientists to present their ideas and experiences in network and parallel computing.

A total of 320 submissions were received in response to our Call for Papers. These papers were from the following countries or regions: Australia, Canada, China, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Italy, Japan, Korea, Luxemburg, Nepal, Netherlands, Taiwan, United Arab Emirates, and United States. Each submission was sent to at least three reviewers. Each paper was judged according to its originality, innovation, readability, and relevance to the expected audience. Based on the reviews received, a total of 68 papers were retained for inclusion in the proceedings. Among the 68 papers, 48 were accepted as full papers for presentation at the conference. We also accepted 20 papers as short papers for a possible brief presentation at the conference, followed by discussion during a poster session. Thus, only 21% of the total submissions could be included in the final program.

The IFIP NPC conference emerged from initial email exchanges between Kemal Ebcioğlu, Guojie Li, and Guang R. Gao in the year 2002, with a vision toward establishing a new, truly international conference for fostering research and collaboration in parallel computing. We are happy to see that the NPC conference, with its eminent team of organizers, and its high-quality technical program, is well on its way to becoming a flagship conference of IFIP.

We wish to thank the contributions of the other members of the Organizing Committee. We thank the Publicity Chair, Cho-Li Wang, for his hard work to publicize NPC 2005 under a very tight schedule.

We are deeply grateful to the Program Committee members. The large number of submissions received and the diversified topics made this review process a particularly challenging one.

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