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Preface

The series of annual Asian Computing Science Conferences (ASIAN) was initiated in 1995 by AIT, INRIA and UNU/IIST to provide a forum for researchers in computer science from the Asian region and to promote interaction with researchers from other regions. The first nine conferences were held respectively in Bangkok, Singapore, Katmandu, Manila, Phuket, Penang, Hanoi, Mumbai and Chiang Mai. The 10th ASIAN conference was held in Kunming, China, December 7-9, 2005.

Each year, the conference focuses on a different theme at the cutting edge of computer science research. The theme of ASIAN 2005 was data management on the Web. Four distinguished speakers were invited to the conference: Mariano Consens (University of Toronto), Richard Hull (Bell Laboratories, Lucent Technologies), Tova Milo (Tel Aviv University) and Prabhakar Raghavan (Yahoo Research and Stanford University).

This year, 91 papers were submitted from 11 countries. The Program Committee selected 17 regular papers and 21 short papers. This volume contains the papers based on the invited talks, the regular papers, and the short papers. We wish to thank the Program Committee and the external referees for their work in selecting the contributed papers.

The conference was organized by Yunnan University in Kunming, the capital of the southern province of Yunnan, which has strong historical ties with South-East Asia. Yunnan University is part of the Greater Mekong Subregion Academic and Research Network (GMSARN), which aims to strengthen the cooperation between academic institutions in the region. We warmly thank the Local Organization Committee, and particularly Prof. Shaowen Yao, for their sustained efforts in the organization of the conference.

We thank the Steering Committee for inviting us to organize the 10th ASIAN conference in China. We also thank the Database Society of the China Computer Federation, CCFDBS, for the promotion of the conference in China. The conference received financial support from the French Embassy in China, INRIA, and Yunnan University, for which we are grateful.

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