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Preface

This book of proceedings brings together papers on the topics of the tutorials given at the second IFIP-TC6 networking conference "Networking 2002", held in Pisa, Italy, on May 19–24, 2002.

The aim of this book is to provide overviews and surveys on prevailing topics in the field of networking, to sum up and complement what the speakers conveyed in their tutorials. Despite the vast spectrum of topics in networking, we were pleased to receive proposals from leading researchers in areas of great interest. The papers collected in this book attest to the great variety of topics and the richness of current research and trends in areas that span from mobile computing and wireless networking to network security and optical networks.

The reader unfamiliar with the specific topic of a tutorial will find the papers presented in this book useful as pointers to the basics on each topic. Researchers in the area of a given tutorial will find here the latest trends and achievements on the tutorial topic.

The general chair and the tutorial co-chairs would like to thank here all the tutorial speakers, whose effort and cooperation made this "extra" book possible.

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