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Preface

The 2002 VLDB workshop on Technologies for E-Services (VLDB-TES 02) is the third workshop in a series of annual workshops endorsed by the VLDB Conference. It serves as a forum for the exchange of ideas, results and experience in the area of e-commerce and e-business.

VLDB-TES 02 took place in Hong Kong, China. It featured the presentation of 14 regular papers, focused on major aspects of e-business solutions. In addition, the workshop invited five industrial speakers to share their vision, insight, and experience with the audience.

The workshop would not have been a success without help from many people. Special thanks go to Fabio Casati, who recruited the world-class speakers from various e-business fields, Ludger Fiege who served as the publicity and publication chair, and Eleana Kafeza, who organized and planned the local arrangements. We also thank the authors for submitting their papers and the members of the program committee and external reviewers for their thorough work, which greatly contributed to the quality of the final program.

We hope that the participants found the workshop interesting and stimulating, and we thank them for attending and for contributing to the discussions.

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