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Preface

WWIC 2007 was organized by the University of Coimbra, Portugal, and it was the fifth event of a series of International Conferences on Wired/Wireless Internet Communications, addressing research topics such as the design and evaluation of protocols, the dynamics of the integration, the performance trade-offs, the need for new performance metrics, and cross-layer interactions. Previous events were held in Berne (Switzerland) in 2006, Xanthi (Greece) in 2005, Frankfurt (Germany) in 2004, and Las Vegas (USA) in 2002.

As in 2005 and 2006, WWIC was selected as the official conference by COST Action 290 (Wi-QoS-Traffic and QoS Management in Wireless Multimedia Networks).

WWIC 2007 brought together active and proficient members of the networking community, from both academia and industry, thus contributing to scientific, strategic, and practical advances in the broad and fast-evolving field of wired/wireless Internet communications.

The WWIC 2007 call for papers attracted 257 submissions from 36 different countries in Asia, Australia, Europe, North America, and South America. These were subject to thorough review work by the Program Committee members and additional reviewers. The selection process was finalized in a Technical Program Committee meeting held in Malaga, Spain, on February 15, 2007.

A high-quality selection of 32 papers, organized into 8 single-track technical sessions made up the WWIC 2007 main technical program, which covered transport layer issues, handover and QoS, traffic engineering, audio/video over IP, IEEE 802.11 WLANs, sensor networks, protocols for ad-hoc and mesh networks, and OFDM systems. The technical program was complemented by two keynote speeches, by Henning Schulzrinne (Columbia University, New York, USA) and Nitin Vaidya (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA), on New Internet and 4G Wireless Networks, and Multi-Channel Wireless Networks, respectively.

In addition to the main technical program, the two days preceding the conference were dedicated to two workshops: the 1st ERCIM workshop on eMobility (<http://www.emobility.unibe.ch/workshop>) and the 1st WEIRD workshop on WiMax, Wireless and Mobility (<http://workshop.ist-weird.eu/>).

We wish to record our appreciation of the efforts of many people in bringing about the WWIC 2007 conference: to all the authors that submitted their papers to the conference, we regret that it was not possible to accept more papers; to the Program Committee and to all associated reviewers for their careful reviews; to our sponsors and supporting institutions; to the University of Malaga, for hosting the TPC meeting. Finally, we would like to thank all the people that helped us at the University of Coimbra and all the volunteers from the Laboratory of Communications and Telematics.

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