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Preface

Information systems in transportation, health-care and public utility services depend on computing infrastructure. Many research efforts are being made in related areas, such as wireless computing, data warehousing, stream processing, text-based computing, and information accesse by Web users. Government agencies in many countries plan to launch facilities in education, health-care and information support as e-government initiatives. In this context, Web content and query interface adaptation for ubiquitous access to data resources has become an active research field. A number of new opportunities have evolved in design and modeling based on the new computing needs of users. Database systems play a central role in supporting networked information systems for access and storage management aspects.

The fifth international workshop on Databases in Networked Information Systems (DNIS 2007) was held on October 17–19, 2007 at the University of Aizu in Japan. The workshop program included research contributions and invited contributions. A view of research activity in geospatial decision making and related research issues was provided by the session on this topic. The invited talk was given by Dr. Cyrus Shahabi. The workshop session on Web Data Management Systems included invited papers by Prof. Masahito Hirakawa and Dr. Gao Cong. The sessions on Networked Information Systems included the invited contributions by Prof. Divyakant Agrawal and Prof. Krithi Ramamritham. I would like to thank the members of the Program Committee for their support and all the authors who submitted their papers to DNIS 2007.

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