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## **Preface**

Welcome to the proceedings of  $5^{\rm th}$  International Conference on Hybrid Learning (ICHL 2012). ICHL 2012 was held in Guangzhou, China, with our new host, South China Normal University.

Hybrid learning is undoubtedly a new frontier in education, as neither virtual nor physical resources alone can provide the best teaching and learning environment. It is not merely a simple combination of face-to-face and technology-mediated instruction, but also encompasses different learning strategies for teaching and learning. It places emphasis on outcome-based learning, and provides a diversified learning environment.

ICHL 2012 provided a platform for knowledge exchange on hybrid learning among researchers and practitioners who share the common goal to enhance the quality of teaching and learning in this fast-changing knowledge world.

It was our pleasure to have two keynote speakers for ICHL 2012, namely, Nora Jones from the University of Glamorgan, and Ronghuai Huang from Beijing Normal University. They shared with us their valuable insights in the field.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following parties who made the conference a success: (a) the Organizing Committee; (b) the Program Committee; (c) the conference organizers; (d) the conference sponsors; (e) all participants; and (f) all the supporters.

We trust you will enjoy reading these conference papers.

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