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Preface

Welcome to the 6th International Workshop on Passive and Active Measurement, held in Boston, Massuchusetts. PAM 2005 was organized by Boston University, with financial support from Endace Measurement Systems and Intel.

PAM continues to grow and mature as a venue for research in all aspects of Internet measurement. This trend is being driven by increasing interest and activity in the field of Internet measurement. To accommodate the increasing interest in PAM, this year the workshop added a Steering Committee, whose members will rotate, to provide continuity and oversight of the PAM workshop series.

PAM plays a special role in the measurement community. It emphasizes pragmatic, relevant research in the area of network and Internet measurement. Its focus reflects the increasing understanding that measurement is critical to effective engineering of the Internet's components. This is clearly a valuable role, as evidenced by the yearly increases in the number of submissions, interest in, and attendance at PAM.

PAM received 84 submissions this year. Each paper was reviewed by three or four Program Committee (PC) members during the first round. Papers that received conflicting scores were further reviewed by additional PC members or external reviewers (typically two). After all reviews were received, each paper with conflicting scores was discussed extensively by its reviewers, until a consensus was reached. The PC placed particular emphasis on selecting papers that were fresh and exciting research contributions. Also, strong preference was given to papers that included validation results based on real measurements. Eventually, out of the 84 submissions, 24 were accepted as full papers and 12 were accepted as poster presentations. The accepted papers cover a wide range of measurement areas, from topology and routing to wireless network and application measurements. Also, the PAM 2005 program shows the truly diverse and international identity of the network measurement community; the 36 accepted contributions are from 13 different countries in North and South America, Asia, Europe, and Oceania.

This year's conference was held in Boston's Back Bay, a lively neighborhood in the heart of the city. Our location is close to many of the best attractions Boston has to offer, and we hope that attendees found an opportunity to enjoy some of them.

The workshop depended on the support of many people, whom we wish to thank. The PC members worked long and hard to evaluate papers, write reviews, and come to consensus on paper acceptance; this work took place under tight deadlines.

We would like to thank Boston University for their support. Special thanks go to Manish Jain at Georgia Tech, who prepared the conference webpage, ran the online review system (CyberChair), and helped significantly in preparing the final proceedings. Many thanks also to George Smaragdakis at Boston University for helping with the conference website and with the local arrangements. And we are grateful to Ellen Grady at Boston University for her work in local arrangements, financial management, and registration. The PC Chair wishes to acknowledge the authors of CyberChair, the software used to manage the review process, for making their system publicly available.

We are very grateful to Endace Measurement Systems and to Intel for financial support that allowed us to keep registration costs low.

Finally, our thanks to all authors of submitted papers, to the speakers, and to all the participants for making PAM 2005 a success!

We hope attendees enjoyed the PAM 2005 workshop, and had a pleasant stay in Boston.

Mark Crovella (General Chair) Constantinos Dovrolis (PC Chair)

Chadi Barakat, Nevil Brownlee, Mark Crovella, Constantinos Dovrolis, Ian Graham, and Ian Pratt (Steering Committee)

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