Message from the Program Co-Chairs

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to CODES+ISSS 2013, the 11th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Hardware/Software Codesign and System Synthesis. Over the past decade CODES+ISSS has grown to become the premier event dedicated to interdisciplinary research on system-level synthesis and optimization. Last year's edition of this conference was held in Finland; this year, we have the pleasure of hosting it in the beautiful city of Montreal, Canada.

We have a very exciting program this year. We received a large number of high-quality submissions from 20 countries, reflecting the vitality and growth of this new field. The Program Committee had a difficult task in selecting the best contributions among these submissions and putting together the final program. We received a total of 111 complete submissions, and an overwhelming majority of these papers were reviewed by four or five experts in the field. 31 papers were eventually selected for presentation in the conference which represents a highly selective acceptance rate of 28%. The final program also includes posters that complement the regular papers and three special sessions on key issues that are expected to have a significant impact on the future of system-level design.

There are many individuals who helped in the organization of this year's conference. We would like to begin by thanking members of the technical program committee who contributed their invaluable time and expertise toward selecting the most deserving papers for the symposium. Without their considerable efforts this symposium would not have been possible. Special mention must be made of Andy Pimentel, Todor Stefanov, Tony Givargis, Umit Ogras, Juergen Teich, Sri Parameswaran, and Jörg Henkel, who, as track chairs, devoted a significant amount of time to help co-ordinate the review process. We would like to acknowledge the help we received from other members of the organization committee who were instrumental in putting together this event. In particular, we would like to mention the help of Aviral Srivastava for keeping the webpage up to date, as well as General Chairs Luca Carloni and Karam Chatha for helping us coordinate with the other sister conferences involved in ESWeek. We are also very grateful to the people involved in the best paper award committee for their help in selecting the best contribution to CODES+ISSS.

Finally, we hope that you will find the symposium informative and intellectually invigorating, and also enjoy the architectural, cultural, and natural beauty of the city of Montreal.

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