Message from the General Chairs

Welcome to SIGCOMM 2010 in New Delhi! It is a pleasure and a distinct honour to host this flagship conference of ACM's SIG on Data Communications for the first time in India and only the second time outside of the conference's traditional home in North America and Europe. It is also fitting that SIGCOMM 2010 is the first flagship conference of an ACM SIG to be held in India, given the key role played by data communications in knitting the global research community.

The 2010 conference continues SIGCOMM's tradition of a strong technical program. It has been a pleasure to work with our colleagues who have organized the program. Geoff Voelker and K. K. Ramakrishnan helped put together a very strong and diverse technical program for the main conference, comprising 33 papers. The program also includes a very compelling set of 20 demos and 22 posters organized by Neil Spring and Bhaskaran Raman. The main conference is complemented by 5 workshops on topical subjects, assembled by Jim Kurose and Christophe Diot: VISA (virtualized systems), MobiHeld (mobile systems), HomeNets (home networking), Green Networking, and APSys (co-sponsored by ACM SIGOPS). We thank the organizers of each of these workshops.

Organizing a conference on the scale of SIGCOMM is an immensely challenging task. That we have been able to pull this off is entirely due to our fantastic organizing committee. We are extremely grateful for the hard work and dedication of the members of the committee. Rajeev Shorey and K. K. Ramakrishnan served as Vice Chairs and as part of the core team from the beginning. Rajeev anchored our local arrangements efforts and liaised with the government, while K. K. always stayed on top of innumerable organizational details and helped us liaise with the ACM. Vinay Ribeiro and Sudipta Maitra helped with various aspects of local arrangements. Sue Moon and Ranjita Bhagwan ensured wide publicity for the conference. Aaditeshwar Seth, Huzur Saran, and Kevin Almeroth handled the mammoth task of disbursing over U.S. $150,000 in travel grants to 180 awardees selected out of over 300 applicants from across the world. Sergey Gorinsky ensured a smooth publications process. Krishna Sivalingam and Carla-Fabiana Chiasserini handled the many registration-related matters, including visa enquiries. Partha Dutta helped ensure a well-designed and up-to-date conference website. Anurag Kumar and B. N. Jain shared their advice as senior academics. Jaudelice de Oliveira and Bruce Davie shared their institutional knowledge and ensured a smooth working relationship with the SIGCOMM Executive Committee.

We also thank the many people outside of the organizing committee who helped with the conference. Raj Sharma, Anil Sharma, and Saurabh Arora played a critical role in local arrangements. Several student volunteers provided on-the-ground support during the conference week. Umamaheswari Devi managed the website from time to time. Tulika Pandey helped ensure a smooth interfacing with the government. Shweta Taneja designed the conference logo.

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