

Foreword

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An important mission of WORLDCOMP (a federated congress to which this conference is affiliated with) includes "Providing a unique platform for a diverse community of constituents composed of scholars, researchers, developers, educators, and practitioners. The Congress makes concerted effort to reach out to participants affiliated with diverse entities (such as: universities, institutions, corporations, government agencies, and research centers/labs) from all over the world. The congress also attempts to connect participants from institutions that have **teaching** as their main mission with those who are affiliated with institutions that have **research** as their main mission. The congress uses a quota system to achieve its institution and geography diversity objectives."

The program committee would like to thank all those who submitted papers for consideration. About 46% of the submissions were from outside the United States. Each paper was peer-reviewed by two experts in the field for originality, significance, clarity, impact, and soundness. In cases of contradictory recommendations, a member of the conference program committee was charged to make the final decision; often, this involved seeking help from additional referees by using a double-blinded review process. In addition, papers whose authors included a member of the conference program committee were evaluated using the double-blinded review process. The only exception to the above evaluation process was for papers that were submitted directly to chairs/organizers of approved sessions/workshops; in these cases, the

chairs/organizers were responsible for the evaluation of such submissions. The overall paper acceptance rate for regular papers was 27%; 14% of the remaining papers were accepted as poster papers.

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