Message from the Program Co-Chairs

Welcome to MobiSys 2006: The Fourth International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications and Services. This is an exciting time in the history of the conference – the first time that MobiSys has gone truly mobile, travelling outside the US to Scandinavia.

MobiSys 2006 has also seen a significant increase in the number of submissions to the conference. This year we received 123 full submissions – a 46% increase on 2005.

The reviewing process closely followed that used by David Kotz and Brian Noble last year. Each full paper was assigned to three Program Committee members to review in the first round. Based on these reviews we then selected 52 papers for discussion at the PC meeting. All of these papers were assigned to at least two additional PC members for shorter, skim reviews. Most PC members reviewed approximately 30 papers – a massive undertaking for which we thank everyone on the committee. The committee met in Pittsburgh in early March to discuss these papers and eventually selected 19 papers for inclusion in the proceedings (an acceptance rate of 15%). Each accepted paper was shepherded by a PC member before appearing in these proceedings. In addition to the technical sessions, the program features keynote speakers, a work-in-progress session, a session devoted to demos and posters, and ample unstructured time for technical interactions with colleagues.

The success of any conference relies on a strong team working together and MobiSys 2006 is no exception. We would like to thank everyone on the MobiSys 2006 organizing committee for their hard work. Most importantly, we would like to thank the MobiSys research community for entrusting their work to us. We hope that you are as pleased with the resulting program as we are.

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