

Guest Editor's Message

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We are delighted to have the sixteenth and special of the International Journal of Informatics Society (IJIS) published. This issue includes selected papers from the Seventh International Workshop on Informatics (IWIN2013), which was held at Stockholm, Sweden, Sep 1-4, 2013. The workshop was the seventh event for the Informatics Society, and was intended to bring together researchers and practitioners to share and exchange their experiences, discuss challenges and present original ideas in all aspects of informatics and computer networks. In the workshop 24 papers were presented at five technical sessions. The workshop was complete in success. It highlighted the latest research results in the area of networking, business systems, education systems, design methodology, groupware and social systems.

Each paper submitted IWIN2013 was reviewed in terms of technical content and scientific rigor, novelty, originality and quality of presentation by at least two reviewers. From those reviews 15 papers are selected for publication candidates of IJIS Journal. This fourteenth includes four papers of them. The selected papers have been reviewed from their original paper presented in IWIN and accepted as publication of IJIS. The papers were improved based on reviewers' comments.

We hope that the issue would be interest to many researchers as well as engineers and practitioners in this area.

We publish the journal in print as well as in an electronic form over Internet. This way, the paper will be available on a global basis.

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