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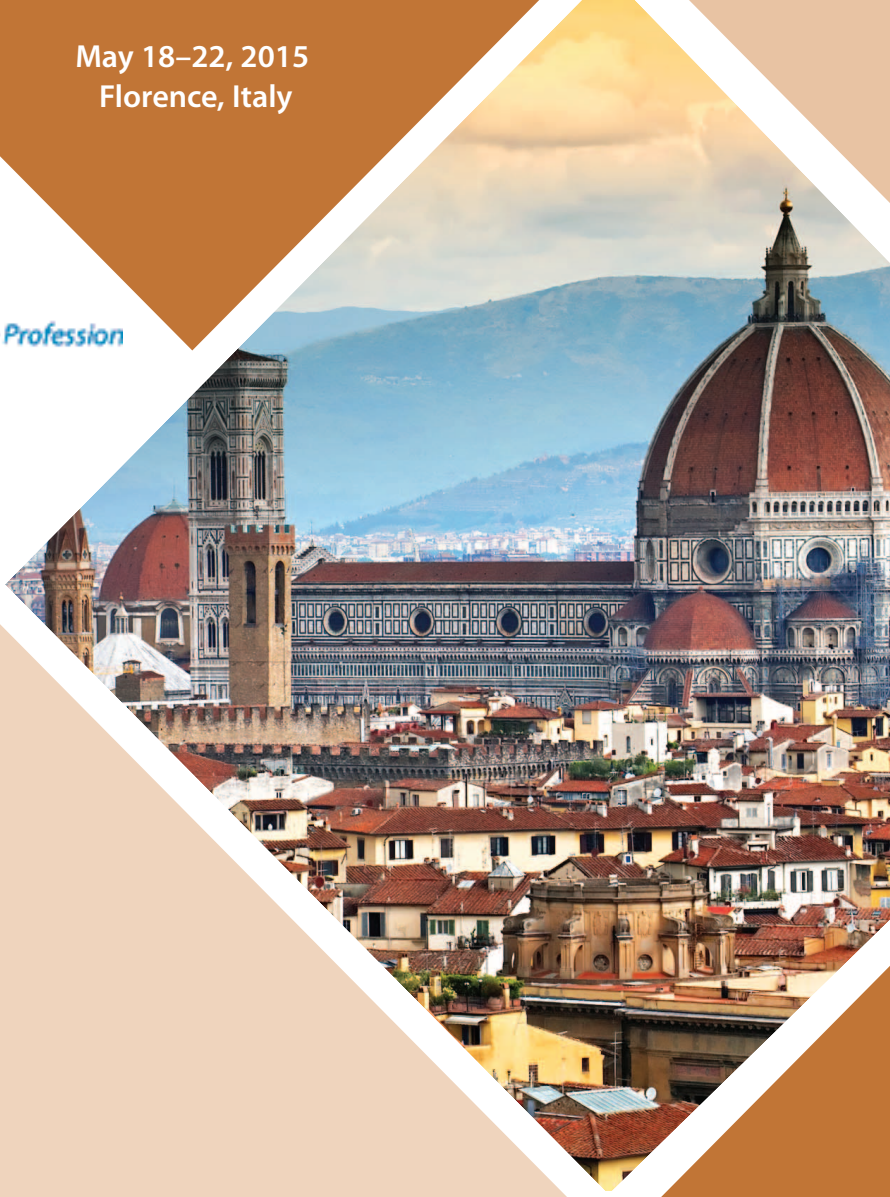

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General Chairs' Welcome

On behalf of the entire organizing committee, it is a great pleasure to welcome you to the 13th International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications and Services – MobiSys 2015 in Florence, Italy.

The Program Chairs, Marco Gruteser and Jason Hong, have an excellent technical program lined up for you. I thank them, their Program Committee, and the external review committee for doing the heavy lifting on this front. We hope that you will enjoy the talks and have many stimulating discussions during your three days at this conference. The scientific program is enriched by our keynote presentations from Krishan Sabnani (Research VP at Bell Labs), and Deborah Estrin (Professor of Computer Science at Cornell Tech in New York City); which will outline the vision for the future of clouds and mobile data science.

In addition to the regular program, this year's MobiSys also includes a high quality program of videos, demos, posters and workshops. The video presentations are integrated with the technical presentations of the main track, and posters and demos will be presented at the end of the first day.

The workshop program consists of 5 workshops that will cover exciting topics in mobile Physical Analytics, mobile gaming, wearable computing, drone networks, mobile internet of things, mobile user interfaces, and mobile technologies applied to social sciences. The workshop program also includes a Ph.D. Forum that provides a friendly and supportive environment for doctoral students to present and discuss their dissertation work.

Last but not least, this year's MobiSys is co-located with WWW to enable community cross-pollination. I wish to thank Stefan Saroiu, Stefano Leonardi, the MobiSys Program Chairs, and the WWW Program Chairs for organizing a joint session and a joint keynote, which are open to attendees of both events.

We wish to thank the Organizing Committee members and the SigMobile leadership who have helped a lot during the conference preparation. Thank you all!

Finally, I wish to honor the memory of ACM MobiSys 2015 Co-Chair Gaetano Borriello, a dear friend and a leading member of our community. He will be greatly missed.

I sincerely hope that you will find your curiosity – as well as all of your senses – satisfied this week in Florence!

Giovanni Pau
ACM MobiSys 2015 General Co-Chair
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Program Chairs' Welcome

Welcome to MobiSys 2015, the 13th Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications, and Services. This year's technical program covers a wide and rich range of topics in mobile systems. The research themes include wearable computing, privacy and security, gaming, wireless networks, and more.

We are delighted to anchor the technical program with keynote talks by Dr. Krishan Sabnani and Dr. Deborah Estrin. Drs. Sabnani and Estrin have been leading researchers in Internet design, wireless networks, and sensing for over twenty years. In addition to the keynotes, we have an exciting technical program that includes 29 full-length technical papers chosen by the technical program committee (TPC).

This year, we had a record number of 219 submissions. To reduce the number of reviews each TPC member had to write, we augmented the TPC with an external review committee (ERC) of 30 experts. Most ERC members reviewed seven papers during the initial round of the review process.

Our review process consisted of three rounds. In the first round, all submissions received three reviews, each written by a member of the TPC or ERC. If a reviewer recommended that a paper be accepted, the paper advanced to the second round. In the second round, papers received two or more additional reviews. At the end of the second round, reviewers discussed each remaining paper online to determine whether it should advance to the third round of decisions. The third round of decisions occurred during an all-day face-to-face meeting of the TPC. By the conclusion of this meeting, the TPC had identified the 29 papers in the program. Finally, all accepted papers were shepherded by a TPC member to ensure that the final manuscripts met the standards of the committee. We also took strict precautions throughout the review process to avoid conflicts of interest.

Creating the technical program for MobiSys 2015 was a team effort, and we would like to thank the TPC members, ERC members, and shepherds who worked extremely hard reading papers and providing feedback to paper authors. We would also like to thank the authors for sending us a pool of very high-quality submissions.

We are also grateful to our colleagues who helped organize the conference, including the steering committee, the poster and demo chairs (Liqun Li, Ilias Leontiadis, Justin Manweiler, Andreas Terzis), the publicity chairs (Ling-Jyh Chen, Christos Efstratiou, Robert LiKamWa), the publication chair (Marco Levorato), the workshop co-chairs (Rajesh Balan, Andrea Passarella, Xia Zhou), the travel grants co-chairs (Jun Bi, Tamer Nadeem), the industrial liaison chair (Marco Magnarosa), and the web chair (Francesco Bronzino).

We would especially like to thank the general chairs, Gaetano Borriello and Giovanni Pau, and the local arrangements chair Gustavo Marfia. Their handling of the conference logistics was invaluable. We are also indebted to Justin Manweiler, who, in his role has Hotmobile general chair, handled the logistics of the co-located MobiSys technical program committee meeting. Finally, we thank our sponsors, ACM SIGMOBILE, and our supporters, HP, Google, Microsoft Research, IBM, and the National Science Foundation. We hope that you will find the technical program exciting and thought provoking, and that the conference will provide you with a valuable opportunity to share experiences and ideas with others from around the world.

Lastly, we would like to dedicate this year's Mobisys program in remembrance of Gaetano Borriello. Gaetano was not only an active member of our community, but also a mentor and friend to many of us. We will remember him for his warmth, his humor, his pioneering work, his leadership, and his kindness. He will be greatly missed.

Marco Gruteser
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