Preface

The conference on advances in social network analysis and mining (ASONAM), ASONAM 2024 has marked the 16th anniversary of being the flagship, premier and leading venue in the rapidly growing domain of social network analysis and mining which emerged into one of the most well established and successful conferences. It is great pleasure to have the acceptance rate stabilizes below 20% for full papers since ASONAM was organized in Istanbul in 2012. Indeed, this reflects maturity and stability in terms of number of submissions, acceptance rate and participation, and ASONAM got its permanent position among top tier international conferences.

This year, we moved from ACM/IEEE as sponsors to have Springer as the Sponsor and publisher of the proceedings. We will continue to have authors of all papers presented at ASONAM and the co-located events are invited to submit expanded versions of their manuscripts to the prestigious SNAM journal, NetMAHIB journal, or the LNSN series which are characterized by their high visibility and fast processing of submissions. Special thanks to Springer Nature for having their various publication venues which have been well integrated with ASONAM to the benefit of both parties.

We gathered over four days to witness interesting and exciting research achievements by various authors who present full, short, poster, or demo papers covering a wide spectrum of research contributions to the foundations and applications of social networks. These would not have been possible without the dedication of a large team of motivated research leaders work closely together for twelve months to put together the attractive and intensive scientific program. Their great achievements contribute much to the visibility of ASONAM. I would like to heartedly thank them all.

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