ACM WINTECH'13 Chairs Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the 8th ACM International Workshop on Wireless Network Testbeds, Experimental evaluation & Characterization (WiNTECH 2013) hosted in Miami, Florida, USA. Similar to previous editions, WiNTECH workshop is serving as a major venue for bringing together researchers and practitioners working in the area of experimental wireless research.

The call for papers this year attracted submissions from all over the world. The program committee did an excellent job in reviewing the papers, and we finally accepted 11 papers out 26 submissions. The papers in the program cover a variety of topics, including design and implementation of different wireless protocols (e.g., context-specific MAC, cooperative packet recovery, and mobile adaptive streaming), and evaluation and characterization of various wireless systems (e.g., 802.11n for drones, digital wireless channel emulator, video quality for mobile clients, low power wireless networks, and energy consumption monitoring.) The program also includes a keynote speech on "Spectrum Access from TV Bands to Millimeter Wave and Visible Light" by Edward Knightly from Rice University who is a world-renown researcher in the field of mobility and wireless systems. We conclude the workshop with the demo session, which has been an integral part of WiNTECH workshop over the years, including 8 exciting demos.

We thank Daji Qiao and Hyoil Kim for actively publicizing the workshop to attract many good papers. Xavier Perez Costa and Ilenia Tinnirello worked together tirelessly to put up an exciting demo session. Andres Garcia-Saavedra made his outstanding efforts in managing the workshop website and helping us with the paper review system. Raja Bose and Moustafa Youssef, who are the Mobicom Workshop Chairs, promptly addressed all our organizational issues. Last but not least, we are very grateful to Edward Knightly, Sung-Ju Lee, Mahesh Marina, and Peter Steenkiste, who are the WiNTECH steering committee members, for providing useful guidance in organizing the workshop.

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