Message from the Program Chair

Welcome to the 2010 USENIX Conference on Web Application Development! WebApps is a new conference this year, and we hope it will grow into a major annual event for discussing the latest ideas related to the development and deployment of Web applications. Web applications are revolutionizing software; over the next 10 years they are likely to change every aspect of the software development food chain, from languages and storage systems up to frameworks and management systems. However, until now there have been few opportunities for interaction and synergy across the diverse technologies related to Web applications. The goal of this conference is to bring together experts who span the entire ecosystem of Web applications.

The program committee accepted 14 excellent papers out of 26 submissions. The papers were reviewed in two rounds. In the first round each paper was read by four members of the program committee; most of the papers advanced to a second round, where they received another two reviews. The program committee met in person at Stanford University on March 9, 2010, to make the final selections for the conference; since most papers had been read by half of the program committee, the discussions were quite lively. Each accepted paper was assigned a program committee shepherd to guide the revision process for the paper.

I'd like to thank the many people who contributed time and effort to make this conference a success. First and foremost, thanks to all of the authors. Preparing a manuscript is a major undertaking; without you there would be no conference. Next I'd like to thank the program committee for their hard work in reviewing the submissions and shepherding the accepted papers. Finally, the USENIX organization did its usual stellar job in organizing and supporting the conference; thanks go to Ellie Young, Anne Dickison, Casey Henderson, Jane-Ellen Long, and the rest of the USENIX staff.

I hope you enjoy the conference and that it will inspire you to develop exciting ideas to submit to future WebApps conferences.

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