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Message from CSS 2012 General Chairs

We are privileged and delighted to welcome you to the proceedings of the 4th International Symposium on Cyberspace Safety and Security (CSS 2012).

A large fraction of the world population now spends a great deal of time in cyberspace. Cyberspace has become a critical infrastructure that is, itself, embedded in almost all other critical infrastructures and enables every aspect of human society. It is thus very much in the public interest to have a safe and secure cyberspace. The CSS 2012 conference was organized and hosted by Deakin University, Australia. Previously, CSS was held in Milan, Italy (2011), Chengdu, China (2009), and Sydney, Australia (2008).

We sincerely thank all those people who helped to organize CSS 2012. We would also like to thank the Program Chairs, Javier Lopez, University of Malaga, Spain, C.-C. Jay Kuo, University of Southern California, USA, and Yang Xiang, Deakin University, Australia, for their leadership in providing the excellent technical program. We are also grateful to the members of our Program Committee and other reviewers for their hard work in helping us produce this year's exciting program.

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Message from CSS 2012 Program Chairs

A warm welcome to the proceedings of the 4th International Symposium on Cyberspace Safety and Security (CSS 2012).

In the past several years, there has been a large number of attacks in cyberspace, such as attacks on the Internet, attacks on embedded/real-time computing and control systems, and attacks on dedicated computing facilities. Many research efforts have been made to achieve cyberspace safety and security, such as blocking and limiting the impact of compromise, enabling accountability, promoting deployment of defense systems, and deterring potential attackers and penalizing attackers.

In this context, we focused our program on cyberspace safety and security, such as authentication, access control, availability, integrity, privacy, confidentiality, dependability, and sustainability issues of cyberspace. The aim of this symposium is to provide a leading-edge forum to foster interaction between researchers and developers in the cyberspace safety and security communities, and to give attendees an opportunity to network with experts in this area. The symposium is a highly focused, professional, high-quality, and social event.

In response to the CSS 2012 call for papers, we received 105 submissions from 255 authors of 27 countries in the world. These papers were evaluated on the basis of their originality, significance, correctness, relevance, and technical quality. Each paper was reviewed by at least three members of the Program Committee. Based on these evaluations, of the papers submitted, 30 regular papers were selected for presentation at the conference, representing a 28.6% of acceptance rate. As the topics of this symposium are highly related to the most recent research and development of industry, we also invited seven papers from industry to be included in the program.

We would like to thank the Program Committee members and additional reviewers from all around the world for their efforts in reviewing the large number of papers. We appreciate all the associated Workshop Chairs for their dedication and professionalism. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Wanlei Zhou, Deakin University, Australia, Peter Mueller, IBM Zurich Research, Switzerland, and Jiankun Hu, UNSW@ADFA, Australia. They provided us with invaluable guidance throughout the process of paper selection and program organization. We also thank Yu Wang for his help on completing the final proceedings.

Last but not least, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the authors for their submissions to CSS 2012. Many of them travelled a considerable distance to participate in the conference.

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