

Message from the General Chair

Great city, great venue, and great food. Most certainly a great start attraction. What makes a conference truly great are the participants, whether attending physically or virtually, their presentations, whether presenting in person or virtually, and most importantly their interactions, whether these are face to face or virtual. Conferences are where new academic friendships are born, old academic friendships are rekindled, and where future collaborations are seeded.

The International Conference on Intelligent Computing, Communication, Networking and Services (ICCNS2023) has proved to be no exception in every respect. The conference welcomed all its participants in Valencia, both physical and virtual, on Monday, 19 June 2023 for a three-day academic extravaganza of keynote speeches, technical presentations, and peer networking. And never forgetting the hospitality which has been second to none.

The four keynotes were a real treat: Sandra Sendra's, of the Polytechnic University of Valencia in Spain, on "digital transition in precision agriculture", Dofe Jaya's, of California State University in USA, on "exploring the synergy of 3D integration and hardware security", Eirini Ntoutsi's, of Bundeswehr University Munich in Germany, on "bias and discrimination in AI systems: from single-identity dimensions to multi-discrimination" and Giancarlo Fortino's, of the University of Calabria in Italy, on "integrating machine learning and multi-agent systems for fully enabling device-edge-cloud continuum in complex IoT worlds".

ICCNS2023 owes its success to all the authors and presenters. Space limitations stand firmly in the way of acknowledging each one of the speakers and their talks; what an exceptionally outstanding collection of technical papers that is. And it has been rewarding to witness the emergence of an ICCNS2023 group of followers whose patronage should help with the continuation of this conference in the future.

ICCNS2023 credits much of this success to the work of the various committees that went on for several months leading up to, and for the entire duration of, the conference, and will continue far beyond, with several colleagues serving across several committees: the technical programme co-chairs that organized the reviews of all submissions and drafted the technical programme, Gregorio Martinez Perez of the University of Murcia in Spain, Anthony Simonofski of the University of Namur in Belgium and Anastasija Nikiforova of the University of Tartu, in Estonia, the last of which also served as publicity co-chair with Faris A. Almalki of Taif University in Saudi Arabia, the publications chair, Muhannad Quwaider of Jordan University of Science and Technology in Jordan, the steering committee that was led by Yaser Jararweh of Jordan University of Science and Technology in Jordan, the army of reviewers drafted from the technical programme committee and all session chairs that ensured the smooth delivery of the technical programme.

The support of the sponsors, IEEE Spain Section, the Polytechnic University of Valencia in Spain, and Al Ain University in UAE have undoubtably safeguarded the success of ICCNS2023.

Finally, great venue and great food needs a great local host. The local responsibility felt into the hands of Jaime Lloret and his team of volunteers that turned the initial expectations into a reality. This has raised the bar high for future installations.

It was a privilege and an honour to serve as this year's General Co-Chairs and we shall look forward to seeing as many of you in ICCNS2024.

Thank you all.

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