

Candidate for Vice Chair

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BIOGRAPHY

Academic Background:

Ph.D., In Computer Science, INSA de Lyon, 2001, Multimedia Information Retrieval.

Professional Experience:

Associate Professor, University of Bourgogne, Dijon-France, 2002 – 2009;
Assistant Professor, University of Lyon 1, Lyon-France, 1999 – 2001.

Professional Interest:

Multimedia Information Retrieval; Query Rewriting and Optimization; XML-based Comparison and Similarity; Multimedia Access Control Models.

ACM Activities:

Chair, ACM SIGAPP French Chapter, 2007 – 2009;
Vice-chair, ACM SAC Conference, 2006 – 2006;
Track Chair, ACM SAC ASIIS Track, 2006 – 2009;
Member, ACM & SIGAPP, 2006 – 2009.

Membership and Offices in Related Organizations:

Editorial Board, Soft Computing of the IEEE SMCS, 2008 – 2009;
Editor, Emergent Web Intelligence Springer Book, 2007 – 2008;
Guest Editor, IEEE Multimedia, 2008 – 2009.

Awards Received:

SBB'D'07 Conference ("2nd Best Paper Award"), 2007.

STATEMENT

Computing applications are becoming vital for most contemporary societies. It would be an honor to serve as Vice Chair and to play a privileged role in promoting SIGAPP, as a missionary of applied computing, over the world and particularly in Europe and Asia. With the emergence of new technologies, SIGAPP gathers more and more various communities (computer scientists, computer engineers, software engineers, application developers, etc.) working in different areas. The diverse needs and interests of these communities witness the importance of establishing strong collaboration between them. If elected as Vice Chair, I will do my best to significantly strengthen such collaboration, to be close and notably attentive to each community needs, and to initiate several gateways. I will also work in

collaboration with the chair towards expanding and diversifying the human capital of SIGAPP and making it a more and more friendly and accessible society. I will explore how membership in SIGAPP and participation to its events can increase, with initiatives that focus especially on young researchers and on scientists from different geographic regions. My ongoing involvement in several conference series would also serve to initiate several opportunities for cooperation with other special research groups.

Thank you for your consideration.