

## Message from the General Co-Chairs

Welcome to the Sixth IEEE International Symposium on Service-Oriented System Engineering, SOSE 2011!

Service-orientation is at a turning point in its history. The field has begun to go beyond web services and computing models and has become a key research discipline with practical connotations for the modeling and construction of complex systems. Service-orientation is an approach to the modeling and analysis of different types of systems in the life of organizations and industries. This notion of service elevates from and also includes computational paradigms. Thus, we see an evolution and integration of service-oriented architecture, service-oriented enterprise, service-oriented infrastructure and other enterprise services operations.

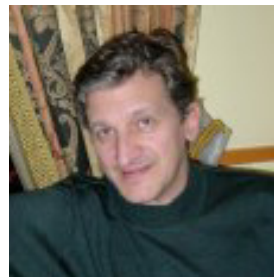
The objective of SOSE 2011 is to bring together researchers, industrial practitioners, and developers to share their experiences in the rapidly growing area of service-oriented systems, their modeling, construction and management. We have an exciting combination of foundational and applied papers including industrial experiences and related cases.

The symposium is made possible and successful by many people's hard work. Our program co-chairs and program committee have put together an excellent program for this year, thanks to the program co-chairs, Profs. Jerry Gao, Xiaodong Lu and Hong Zhu, and the great support from the program committee. We would like express our appreciation to other key members for their hard work including: Muhammad Younas for his role as the publication chair; Ching-Hsien Hsu, Xiaoying Bai, Lu Liu, and Ignacio Terrizzano for their roles as the publicity co-chairs; Jessie Wang for her effort and time in helping registration and local arrangement, and all members in the local arrangement team. Thanks must also go to Wei-Tek Tsai and I-Ling Yen for their leading roles as the members of the steering committee and for helping us throughout the entire process of preparing SOSE 2011.

Hope you will enjoy the conference and the beautiful Southern California!



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