WWW'14 PhD Symposium Chairs' Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the *PhD Symposium* which is in conjunction with the 23rd International World Wide Web Conference, April 7 – April 11, 2014, Seoul, Korea. The PhD Symposium of WWW 2014 provides an excellent opportunity both for the beginners as well as the senior PhD students to present their ideas, and receive feedback on their work by experienced researchers and other PhD Students working in research areas related to the World Wide Web.



The call for papers attracted 24 submissions from Austria, Belgium, China, Germany, India, Japan, Korea, Pakistan, Spain, Switzerland, Tunisia, United Kingdom, and the United States. The program committee accepted 11 papers that cover a variety of topics, including search and recommendation, Web mining, social network analysis, and data management, among others. We hope that the program will serve as a valuable reference for researchers and developers in the field of World Wide Web.

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We hope that you will find this program interesting and thought-provoking and that the symposium will continue its excellence and serve as an important forum for PhD candidates around the world to share their original research results in the field of World Wide Web.

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