

WWW'14 WebSci Track Chairs' Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the Web Science track at the *23rd International World Wide Web Conference – WWW 2014*. In recent years, there has been a dramatic growth in studies related to Web Science, and the Web Science track at WWW 2014 showcases some of the most promising research in the field.

Web Science focuses on the analysis and design of Web architecture and applications, as well as studies of the people, organizations, and policies that shape and are shaped by the Web. Accordingly, Web Science embraces the study of the Web as a vast information network of people and communities. It also includes the study of people and communities using the digital records of user activity mediated by the Web. An understanding of human behavior and social interaction can contribute to our understanding of the Web, and data obtained from the Web can contribute to our understanding of human behavior and social interaction.

The call for papers attracted 88 submissions from across the globe. The program committee accepted 20 papers and 15 posters. Papers and posters in this track cover a wide range of important topics, including the evolution of the web, the growth of online communities, the underlying structure of web interactions, and the nature of user interaction in online spaces. We encourage attendees to attend the paper sessions, and to engage with researchers at the interactive poster session.

Putting together the Web Science track at WWW 2014 was a team effort. We first thank the authors for providing the content of the program. We are grateful to the program committee, who worked very hard in reviewing papers and providing feedback for authors. Finally, we thank the IW3C2, KASIST, KATS, W3C and the ACM for their support for this track.

We hope that you will find this program interesting and thought provoking and that the symposium will provide you with a valuable opportunity to share ideas with other researchers and practitioners from institutions around the world.



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