

CyberSafety 2017 Chairs' Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to CyberSafety 2017: The Second International Workshop on Computational Methods for CyberSafety, held in conjunction with WWW 2017 in Perth, Australia in April 2017. This workshop follows on the success of the first CyberSafety workshop, which was held in conjunction with CIKM 2016.

The goal of the CyberSafety workshop is to bring together researchers and practitioners from academia, industry, government and research labs working in the area of cybersafety. We broadly interpret cybersafety as covering those topics related to making the Internet safer for its users, especially characterizing, detecting and mitigating online misbehavior that is not necessarily illegal but is still damaging to the Internet's users. Examples of cybersafety issues include cyberbullying, cyberthreats, bad actors in social media, vandals and hoaxes in the Internet, deceptive and/or abusive online advertising, recruiting minors via Internet services for nefarious purposes, spreading rumors or hate speech via WWW services, and many others. The focus of this workshop is on computational methods for cybersafety, including new algorithms, tools, data mining techniques and analysis, systems and applications for the detection, prevention and mitigation of various cybersafety issues, as well as education and promoting safe practices.

The call for papers attracted six technical submissions. Each submission was reviewed by at least two program committee members. Four technical papers were selected for presentation at the workshop and inclusion in the proceedings. In addition to paper presentations, the workshop also features a keynote speech, invited talks, and a panel discussion. We hope that you will find this program interesting and thought-provoking and help promote more active research in this important new area.

Putting together *CyberSafety 2017* was a team effort. We would like to thank everyone who participates in or contributes to CyberSafety 2017, especially the authors and the program committee members. We also thank the Organizing Committee of WWW 2017 for hosting our workshop and making local arrangements.

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