FOREWORD

Special Section on The Internet Architectures, Protocols, and Applications for Diversified Futures

Internet technologies are widely adapted to various fields in society as digital infrastructures. These adaptations have led to increasingly complex requirements of Internet technologies to establish diversified future. These requirements should be achieved by various researches in terms of Internet architectures, protocols and applications.

In response to this situation, a special editorial committee was organized to publish these new discussion items. After the call for papers, 25 papers (including 5 letters) were submitted to this special section. Finally, 7 papers have been accepted for publication after the reviewing processes. The accepted papers cover wide range of topics in the field of Internet researches. We believe that all these papers provide valuable information to readers who are interested in this field and will contribute future research activities related to Internet architectures.

The editorial committee would like to express our sincerely appreciation to all the authors for their valuable contributions and to all the reviewers for their cooperation in completing the review processes under a tight schedule.

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