P2P13 was held in Trento, Italy September 9–11 2013. Peer-to-Peer Computing is a small, single track, focussed conference on Peer-to-Peer technologies that is today recognized as one of the most relevant venues for the publication and dissemination of results on Peer-to-Peer technologies, applications, systems, and networks.

We are proud of presenting the Proceedings of the conference on IEEE Xplore, but before detailing the selection process and the reasons behind the choice of papers we would like to thank the key people that contributed to the success.

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The program of the conference has been balanced by including poster presentations and demos. We are in debt to Luca Abeni and Damiano Carra for the unsparing efforts put in the organization of these sessions, whose extended abstracts are available with the Xplore proceedings.

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committee, but also served as financial chair, taking care of the budget and
making all ends meet.

And now some facts about the conference. The review process has been,
as in the tradition of P2P, double blind, with at least five different reviews
in two rounds for every accepted paper. About 50% of the papers were
rejected at the end of the first round. 18 full papers and 11 short papers
made it to the program, out of 94 submissions leading to a 19% acceptance
rate for full papers and 30% overall. The papers have been submitted from
30 different countries from all continents . . . but Antarctica, with the large
majority coming from Europe and the Unites States. Accepted papers came
from 16 different countries preserving a high diversity.

A Best Paper Award has been attributed to the paper “Information
Propagation in the Bitcoin Network” by Christian Decker and Roger Wat-
tenhofer from ETH Zurich, Switzerland. Finally the program has been com-
pleted with two very interesting and inspiring keynotes by Prof. Pedro Garcia
Lopez and Dr. Roberto Saracco. The abstracts are available in Xplore with
the speakers’ biographies. The talks themselves are available in streaming
from the conference web site.

We hope you will find the papers from IEEE P2P13 interesting and
inspiring for your future research. Enjoy them!

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