Message from the IWDENS 2008 Co-Chairs


The IWDENS 2008 is the first international workshop and serve as a forum for the exchange of information and ideas regarding with not only network design and implementation and application systems for large scale national disasters such as earth quick, mountain explosion, seismic sea wave in addition to ordinal disasters, such as typhoon, rain flooding and snow-slide. Not only technological aspects by researchers but actual experience by governmental officers or volunteers for Disaster are also discussed.

This year, there were a number of papers submitted. Finally, excellent ten papers were selected as IWDENS workshop papers. We hope that all participants of this workshop can share ideas and research work in the emerging areas of Disaster and Emergency Information Network Systems.

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