

Editor's Message to Special Issue of “Applications and the Internet” in Conjunction with Main Topics of COMPSAC 2018

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It is our great honor to have the special issue of “Applications and the Internet” in Conjunction with Main Topics of COMPSAC 2018 in IPSJ Journal of Information Processing (JIP).

The Annual International Computers, Software & Applications Conference (COMPSAC), sponsored by IEEE Computer Society and also technically sponsored by Information Processing Society of Japan (IPSJ), is one of the premium international forums for academia, industry, and government to discuss research results, advancements and future trends in computer and software technologies and applications. Among a wide range of topics covered by COMPSAC, several symposia cover a broad range of networking and computing technologies as well as advanced applications and services. COMPSAC 2018 is held in Tokyo, Japan, on July 23-27, 2018. By taking this opportunity, the Special Issue of “Applications and the Internet” in Conjunction with Main Topics of COMPSAC 2018, “Staying Smarter in a Smartening World”, has been planned to publish articles which are based on the papers presented mainly in the COMPSAC 2018.

We received eight submissions. Among those we carefully selected two papers for publication. In addition to them, we invited two papers from major researchers related to COMPSAC. Prof. Yutaka Arakawa explains his research that won IPSJ/IEEE-CS Young Computer Researcher Award. Ms. Nusrat Jahan Mozumder presents refined version of their paper that won Best paper award of COMPSAC 2018.

Finally, we would like to deeply express our sincere gratitude to all the members of the editorial committee, who made great efforts to complete this special issue.

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