

Preface
Message from the Guest Editors-in-Chief

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MIRU (Meeting on Image Recognition and Understanding) is one of the largest Japanese conferences in the areas of computer vision and pattern recognition. It is our pleasure to introduce the special CVA issue on the 13th MIRU, which was held in Kushiro, Japan, in July 2010. About three hundred refereed papers were presented at MIRU2010.

This special issue contains extended versions of eleven MIRU2010 papers. These papers were carefully selected based on recommendations from MIRU2010 Area Chairs and reviewers, and the authors of these papers were invited to submit journal versions of their papers. Each submitted paper went through the usual rigorous peer-review process, namely, each paper was assigned an Associate Editor and reviewed by three reviewers. The papers featured in this special issue cover a wide range of interesting topics, including object/human detection and recognition, low-level vision, and computational photography.

We would like to thank all those who have made this special issue possible, especially the authors for being timely in submitting and revising their papers, as well as the Associate Editors and reviewers for their efforts in handling the papers.

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