

Preface

The 2002 VLDB workshop on Technologies for E-Services (VLDB-TES 02) is the third workshop in a series of annual workshops endorsed by the VLDB Conference. It serves as a forum for the exchange of ideas, results and experience in the area of e-commerce and e-business.

VLDB-TES 02 took place in Hong Kong, China. It featured the presentation of 14 regular papers, focused on major aspects of e-business solutions. In addition, the workshop invited five industrial speakers to share their vision, insight, and experience with the audience.

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We hope that the participants found the workshop interesting and stimulating, and we thank them for attending and for contributing to the discussions.

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