

# Preface

The 2008 IFIP Conference on Wireless Sensors and Actor Networks (WSAN 08) is the second in a series of annual conferences which are dedicated to the development and application of Wireless and Actor Networks (WSAN). Initiated by the IFIP Working Group 6.8 Mobile and Wireless Communications, it was held last year at the Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha, Albacete, Spain. This years conference was held at the School of Information Technology and Engineering of the University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada. The School, located in one of Canada's largest high-technology centres, also includes a large number of researchers, and many research laboratories specializing in related research areas. The conference received submissions from 15 different countries. After a rigorous evaluation process by the program committee members, assisted by external reviewers, a total of 23 papers were selected to be included in the program. The program was organized into the following themes: *Energy, Actors, Security, MACs, and Protocols*.

I am grateful to the program committee members and the external reviewers for their hard work and expertise in selecting the program. I would like to thank the Paper Award Committee members for their assistance in selecting the best regular and student papers. I would also like to thank the organizing committee: the Publicity Co-Chairs, Pedro M. Ruiz and Behzad Malek; the Local Arrangement Chair, Ilker Onat; the Submission Chair, Xu Li; and the Publication Chair, Terasan Niyomsataya.

I hope that WSAN 2008 has been a memorable conference and an enjoyable experience for all of its participants.

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