Message from the HCW General Chair

Welcome to HCW 2006, the 15th Heterogeneous Computing Workshop. The workshop aims at providing an international forum for researchers who study the phenomenon of heterogeneity, which has become a challenging characteristic of virtually all modern computing platforms. We hope that the workshop will prove a stimulating opportunity for interaction for all speakers and participants.

The HCW workshop series has been associated with the IPDPS meeting since its founding. It is a joy and pleasure to observe the synergy created by this association. It is also a pleasure to acknowledge the IPDPS organizing team, who have established and maintained the infrastructure that enables both IPDPS and all of its satellite workshops.

Many people and organizations deserve our profound gratitude. Jose Fortes, our program chair, has done an outstanding job in managing the entire "life cycle" of HCW: selecting an outstanding program committee, soliciting submissions, coordinating the review process, organizing the keynote speaker and panel, and maintaining the workshop website. In short, Jose has been the type of program chair that general chairs dream of. I wish to extend personal thanks to our Steering Committee Chair, H.J. Siegel, who invited me to be this year's general chair, and who provided decisive help and valuable input during several stages of the organization process. It is a pleasure to thank the workshop sponsors: ONR, the U.S. Office of Naval Research; the IEEE Computer Society, through the Technical Committee on Parallel Processing (TCPP); and the University of Florida.

I wish you all a very productive meeting, and a memorable stay on the beautiful Isle of Rhodes.

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