

Preface

The 17th International Conference on Information and Communications Security (ICICS 2015) was held in Beijing, China, during December 9–11, 2015. The ICICS conference series is an established forum that brings together people from universities, research institutes, industry, and government institutions who work in a range of fields within information and communications security. The ICICS conferences give attendees the opportunity to exchange new ideas and investigate developments in the state of the art. In previous years, ICICS has taken place in Australia (1999), China (2013, 2011, 2009, 2007, 2005, 2003, 2001, and 1997), Hong Kong (2012, 2014), Singapore (2002), Spain (2010, 2004), UK (2008), and USA (2006). On each occasion, as on this one, the proceedings have been published in the Springer LNCS series.

In total, 148 manuscripts from 21 countries and districts were submitted to ICICS 2015, among which 24 regular and 19 short papers from 13 countries and districts were accepted. The accepted papers cover a wide range of disciplines within information security and applied cryptography. Each submission to ICICS 2015 was anonymously reviewed by at least three reviewers. We are very grateful to members of the Program Committee, which was composed of 82 members from 19 countries and districts; we would like to thank them, as well as all the external reviewers, for their valuable contributions to the tough and time-consuming reviewing process.

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