Preface

The 22nd Australasian Conference on Information Security and Privacy was organized in beautiful New Zealand on the Massey University campus in Auckland, July 3–5, 2017. This was the first time that the conference was organized outside Australia.

This year we received 150 submissions. Each paper got assigned to four referees. In the first stage of the review process, the submitted papers were read and evaluated by the Program Committee members. In the second stage, the papers were scrutinized during an extensive discussion. Finally, the Program Committee chose 45 regular and ten short papers to be included in the conference program. The authors of the accepted papers had ten days for revision and preparation of final versions. The revised papers were not subject to editorial review and the authors bear full responsibility for their contents. The submission and review process was supported by the EasyChair conference submission server. We thank the EasyChair people for letting us use it.

The Program Committee voted for the best paper using the Doodle software. We nominated four papers with best reviews. Out of the four, two papers were the preferred options with no clear winner. We decided to award the ACISP2017 Best Paper Award to the two papers:

- “Dynamic Searchable Symmetric Encryption with Physical Deletion and Small Leakage” by Peng Xu, Shuai Liang, Wei Wang, Willy Susilo, Qianhong Wu and Hai Jin
- “Multi-user Cloud-Based Secure Keyword Search” by Shabnam Kasra Kerman-shahi, Joseph K. Liu and Ron Steinfeld

The awards were handed during the conference dinner.

The Jennifer Seberry Lecture this year was delivered by Clark Thomborson from the University of Auckland, New Zealand. The keynote lecture was presented by L. Jean Camp from Indiana University, USA. The program also included invited talks by well-known researchers working in different areas of cybersecurity. They were Dong Seong Kim, University of Canterbury, New Zealand; Dongxi Liu, CSIRO/Data61, Australia; Surya Nepal, CSIRO/Data61, Australia; Paul Pang, Unitec Institute of Technology, New Zealand; Peter Pilley, Department of Internal Affairs, New Zealand; Ian Welch, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand and Henry B. Wolfe, University of Otago, New Zealand.

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