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Editorial

CAIP—Computer Analysis of Images and Patterns

CAIP (International Conference on Computer Analysis of Images and Patterns; <http://caip.eu.org>) is a series of biennial international conferences devoted to all aspects of Computer Vision, Image Processing and Analysis, Pattern Recognition, and related fields. The scientific program of the conference consists of keynote addresses, contributed papers presented in single-track oral and poster sessions. CAIP has been held in: Berlin (1985), Wismar (1987), Leipzig (1989), Dresden (1991), Budapest (1993), Prague (1995), Kiel (1997), Ljubljana (1999), Warsaw (2001), Groningen (2003), Paris (2005), Vienna (2007), and Münster (2009). The next CAIP conference will be in Seville, 2011. Initially, this conference series served as a forum for getting together scientists from East and West Europe. Nowadays, CAIP enjoys a high international visibility and attracts participants from all over the world.

CAIP 2009 was held in Münster, Germany, from September 2 to 4, 2009. It attracted 405 submissions from about 30 countries of all continents. After the reviewing process 148 papers (36%) were accepted for presentation. This special issue contains 20 selected papers from the scientific program of CAIP 2009 which were substantially extended and underwent a thorough reviewing. The paper “3D video and free viewpoint video—from capture

to display” is contributed by Aljoscha Smolic, one of the keynote speakers at CAIP 2009. The other papers cover topics in Image Processing, (Biomedical) Image Analysis, Motion Analysis, Shape Recovery, Biometrics, And graph-based representations for Pattern Recognition.

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