

Preface

The workshop on Technologies for E-Services (TES) is a forum for the exchange of ideas, results, and experiences in the area of e-services. The first edition of the workshop (TES 2000) was organized in Cairo, Egypt in conjunction with the VLDB conference. Following the success of the first edition and pushed by many requests, we organized a second edition, also in conjunction with VLDB.

TES 2001 took place in Rome, Italy, in the Pontificia Università Urbaniana, a university belonging to the Catholic Church, located in the center of Rome and overlooking St. Peter's Cathedral. The TES workshop began right after VLDB, and lasted two days. It featured the presentation of fifteen papers focused on several aspects of e-services, including e-service description, e-service composition, peer-to-peer execution of e-services, transactional issues in e-services, e-services infrastructures, and e-services for mobile users. In addition, the workshop included overview and discussion papers that presented and summarized the issues that still need to be addressed to realize the e-services vision.

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We hope that the participants have found the workshop interesting and stimulating, and we thank them for attending the workshop and for contributing to the discussions, despite the many temptations provided by the beautiful city of Rome. We are also confident that the readers of this book will find that the time and money have been well invested.

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