

## Preface

ICISC 2015, the 18th International Conference on Information Security and Cryptology, was held in Seoul, Korea, during November 25–27, 2015. This year, the conference was hosted by KIISC (Korea Institute of Information Security and Cryptology) jointly with NSR (National Security Research Institute).

The aim of this conference is to provide an international forum for the latest results of research, development, and applications in the field of information security and cryptology. This year we received 84 submissions, and were able to accept 23 papers from 13 countries, with the acceptance rate of 27.4 %. The review and selection processes were carried out by the Program Committee (PC) members, 56 prominent experts world wide, via the IACR review system. First, each paper was blind reviewed, by at least three PC members for most cases. Second, for resolving conflicts on the reviewers' decisions, the individual review reports were open to all PC members, and detailed interactive discussions on each paper were followed.

The conference featured two invited talks: “Discrete Logarithm-Based Zero-Knowledge Arguments” by Jens Groth, and “Multilinear Maps and Their Cryptanalysis” by Jung Hee Cheon. We thank the invited speakers for their kind acceptance and interesting presentations. We would like to thank all authors who submitted their papers to ICISC 2015 and all 56 PC members. It was a truly nice experience to work with such talented and hard-working researchers. We also appreciate the external reviewers for assisting the PC members in their particular areas of expertise.

Finally, we would like to thank all attendees for their active participation and the Organizing Committee members who expertly managed this conference. We look forward to seeing you again at the next year's ICISC.

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