

Preface

The 9th International Conference on Security, Privacy, and Anonymity in Computation, Communication and Storage (SpaCCS 2016) was held in Zhangjiajie, China, during November 16–18, 2016, and was jointly organized by Central South University, Guangzhou University, and Jishou University.

The SpaCCS conference series provides a forum for world-class researchers to gather and share their research achievements, emerging ideas, and trends in information security fields. Previous SpaCCS conferences were held in Helsinki, Finland (2015), Beijing, China (2014), Melbourne, Australia (2013), Liverpool, UK (2012), and Changsha, China (2011).

This year the conference received 110 submissions. All submissions received at least three reviews during a high-quality review process. According to the review results, 40 papers were selected for oral presentation at the conference and inclusion in this Springer volume, giving an acceptance rate of 36.4 %. Besides the regular paper presentations, the program included three interesting and insightful keynotes by Prof. Yang Xiao, the University of Alabama, USA, Prof. Indrakshi Ray, Colorado State University, USA, and Dr. Shui Yu, Deakin University, Australia. We are very grateful to the keynote speakers.

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