

# WWW'15 PhD Symposium Chairs' Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the *PhD Symposium* that is in conjunction with the WWW 2015. The PhD Symposium of WWW 2015 provides an excellent opportunity both for the beginners as well as the senior PhD students to present their ideas, and receive feedback on their work by experienced researchers and other PhD Students working in research areas related to the World Wide Web.

The call for papers attracted 17 submissions from Australia, Austria, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, India, Netherlands, Spain, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, and the United States. The program committee accepted 9 papers that cover a variety of topics, including search and recommendation, web mining, social network analysis, and crowdsourcing analysis, among others. We hope that the program will serve as a valuable reference for researchers and developers in the field of World Wide Web.

Putting together *WWW'15 PhD Symposium* was a team effort. We first thank the authors for providing the content of the program. We are also grateful to the WWW'15 TPC Chair Krishna Gummedi and the Local Organization Committee Members for their help in the preparation and organization of the PhD Symposium. Finally, we thank the hosting university, ACM SIGs, and our generous corporate supporters, CombineNet, Facebook, AT&T, NSF, Google Research, Microsoft Research, and Yahoo! Labs.

We hope that you will find this program interesting and thought-provoking and that the symposium will provide you with a valuable opportunity to share ideas with other researchers and practitioners from institutions around the world.

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