

AFIN 2017

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The Ninth International Conference on Advances in Future Internet (AFIN 2017), held between September 10-14, 2017 in Rome, Italy, continued a series of events dealing with advances on future Internet mechanisms and services.

We are in the early stage of a revolution on what we call the Internet now. Most of the design principles and deployments, as well as originally intended services, reached some technical limits and we can see a tremendous effort to correct this. Routing must be more intelligent, with quality of service consideration and 'on-demand' flavor, while the access control schemes should allow multiple technologies yet guarantying the privacy and integrity of the data. In a heavily distributed network resources, handling asset and resource for distributing computing (autonomic, cloud, on-demand) and addressing management in the next IPv6/IPv4 mixed networks require special effort for designers, equipment vendors, developers, and service providers.

The diversity of the Internet-based offered services requires a fair handling of transactions for financial applications, scalability for smart homes and ehealth/telemedicine, openness for web-based services, and protection of the private life. Different services have been developed and are going to grow based on future Internet mechanisms. Identifying the key issues and major challenges, as well as the potential solutions and the current results paves the way for future research.

The conference had the following tracks:

- Internet services and applications
- Internet challenges

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We also gratefully thank the members of the AFIN 2017 organizing committee for their help in handling the logistics and for their work that made this professional meeting a success.

We hope that AFIN 2017 was a successful international forum for the exchange of ideas and results between academia and industry and to promote further progress in the field of the future Internet. We also hope that Rome, Italy provided a pleasant environment during the conference and everyone found some time to enjoy the historic charm of the city.

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