

# SPWID 2019

## Forward

The Fifth International Conference on Smart Portable, Wearable, Implantable and Disability-oriented Devices and Systems (SPWID 2019), held between July 28, 2019 and August 02, 2019 in Nice, France, continued a series of events focused on concepts and communities dealing with specialized implantable, wearable, near-body or mobile devices, including artificial organs, body-driven technologies, and assistive services. Mobile communications played by the proliferation of smartphones and practical aspects of designing such systems and developing specific applications raise particular challenges for a successful acceptance and deployment.

We welcomed academic, research, and industrial contributions, technical papers presenting research and practical results, position papers addressing the pros and cons of specific proposals.

We take here the opportunity to warmly thank all the members of the SPWID 2019 technical program committee, as well as all the reviewers. The creation of such a high quality conference program would not have been possible without their involvement. We also kindly thank all the authors who dedicated much of their time and effort to contribute to SPWID 2019. We truly believe that, thanks to all these efforts, the final conference program consisted of top quality contributions.

We also thank the members of the SPWID 2019 organizing committee for their help in handling the logistics and for their work that made this professional meeting a success.

We hope that SPWID 2019 was a successful international forum for the exchange of ideas and results between academia and industry and to promote further progress in the area of smart portable, wearable, implantable and disability-oriented devices and systems. We also hope that Nice, France provided a pleasant environment during the conference and everyone saved some time to enjoy the charm of the city.

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