# Message from the
# NSDI '20 Program Co-Chairs

Welcome to NSDI '20!

NSDI is traditionally the top venue for papers on networked and distributed systems, and this year we continue that tradition with an excellent program featuring yet another record number of amazing papers. The research and experiences described in this year's program include a wide range of topics including analytics, data center network architecture, distributed systems, host networking, machine learning, modern network hardware, monitoring and diagnosis, operating systems, privacy, security, wireless networking and deployed industrial experience.

This year, we continued the changes put into place during last year's conference, including two deadlines and the possibility of a "one shot" revision process. We received 354 submissions (79 in the Spring cycle and 275 in the Fall cycle), and we accepted a record 65 papers, resulting in an 18.3% acceptance rate. These papers were carefully selected by a panel of 57 experts spanning academia and industry.

The review process was double-blind. We had two rounds of reviews per cycle, providing papers that advanced to the second round at least five reviews. We strove to include valuable feedback in all these reviews, so we hope it benefited all authors who submitted their work. After writing reviews, we held online discussions to select papers to be discussed further at PC meetings or to be accepted without further need for discussion. We discussed 24 papers during the Spring PC meeting (conducted online via video conferencing software) and 90 papers during the 1.5-day Fall PC meeting held on the UC San Diego campus in La Jolla, Calif.

We'd like to thank the many, many people whose work was necessary to arrange this conference. Foremost, we thank all the authors who chose to send their strong work to NSDI. We also thank the program committee whose diligence, professionalism, expertise, excitement, and courtesy made the review process go smoothly and successfully. Special thanks to those of them who took on extra responsibilities beyond the considerable ones PC members already have. Thank you to Ivan Beschastnikh and Ravi Netravali for serving as poster co-chairs. We'd like to thank Sujata Banerjee and Rebecca Isaacs for handling chair conflict papers. We'd like to thank Ellen Zegura, Laurant Vanbever, and Aditya Akella for selecting the best papers and the community award paper. We'd like to thank the members of the Test of Time Awards committee: Aditya Akella, Katerina Argyraki, Sujata Banerjee, Paul Barham, Miguel Castro, Nick Feamster, Jon Howell, Arvind Krishnamurthy, Jay Lorch, Jeff Mogul, Timothy Roscoe, Srinivasan Seshan, Alex Snoeren, and Minlan Yu. We'd like to thank the NSDI steering committee as well as the co-chairs of NSDI 2019, Minlan Yu and Jay Lorch.

We would like to thank Jennifer Folkestad, who organized the in-person PC meeting on UC San Diego's campus, the PC dinner, and then an entirely different second PC dinner on an hour's notice after the first restaurant caught fire moments before we were to arrive.

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