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## ■ Preface

The papers in this volume were presented at the 24th International Conference on Principles of Distributed Systems (OPODIS 2020), held on December 14–16, 2020. Originally planned to be held in Strasbourg, France, the conference was held online due to the COVID19 pandemic.

OPODIS is an open forum for the exchange of state-of-the-art knowledge about distributed computing. With strong roots in the theory of distributed systems, OPODIS has expanded its scope to cover the entire range between the theoretical aspects and practical implementations of distributed systems, as well as experimental and quantitative assessments. All aspects of distributed systems are within the scope of OPODIS: theory, specification, design, performance, and system building. Specifically, this year, the topics of interest at OPODIS included:

- Biological distributed algorithms
- Blockchain technology and theory
- Communication networks (protocols, architectures, services, applications)
- Cloud computing and data centers
- Dependable distributed algorithms and systems
- Design and analysis of concurrent and distributed data structures
- Design and analysis of distributed algorithms
- Randomization in distributed computing
- Social systems, peer-to-peer and overlay networks
- Distributed event processing
- Distributed operating systems, middleware, and distributed database systems
- Distributed storage and file systems, large-scale systems, and big data analytics
- Edge computing
- Embedded and energy-efficient distributed systems
- Game-theory and economical aspects of distributed computing
- Security and privacy, cryptographic protocols
- Synchronization, concurrent algorithms, shared and transactional memory
- Impossibility results for distributed computing
- High-performance, cluster, cloud and grid computing
- Internet of things and cyber-physical systems
- Mesh and ad-hoc networks (wireless, mobile, sensor), location and context-aware systems
- Mobile agents, robots, and rendezvous
- Programming languages, formal methods, specification and verification applied to distributed systems
- Self-stabilization, self-organization, autonomy
- Distributed deployments of machine learning

We received 75 submissions, each of which underwent a double-blind peer review process, by at least three members of the Program Committee with the help of external reviewers. Overall, the quality of the submissions was very high. From the 75 submissions, 30 papers were selected to be included in these proceedings.

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The Best Paper Award was awarded to Salwa Faour and Fabian Kuhn for their paper titled “Approximating Bipartite Minimum Vertex Cover in the CONGEST model”. The Best Student Paper Award was given to Amine Boussetta for his paper titled “Fast Byzantine SGD”, co-authored with Rachid Guerraoui, Alexandre Maurer and Sébastien Rouault.

This year OPODIS had three distinguished invited keynote speakers: Idit Keidar (Technion), Jukka Suomela (Aalto University) and Pascal Felber (University of Neuchâtel).

Thank you to all the authors that submitted their work to OPODIS. We are also grateful to the Program Committee members for their hard work reviewing papers and their active participation in the online discussions and the Program Committee meeting. We also thank the external reviewers for their help with the reviewing process.

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