The Third International Conference on Emerging Network Intelligence [EMERGING 2011], held between November 20 and 25, 2011 in Lisbon, Portugal, constituted a stage to present and evaluate the advances in emerging solutions for next-generation architectures, devices, and communications protocols. Particular focus was aimed at optimization, quality, discovery, protection, and user profile requirements supported by special approaches such as network coding, configurable protocols, context-aware optimization, ambient systems, anomaly discovery, and adaptive mechanisms.

Next-generation large distributed networks and systems require substantial reconsideration of exiting ‘de facto’ approaches and mechanisms to sustain an increasing demand on speed, scale, bandwidth, topology and flow changes, user complex behavior, security threats, and service and user ubiquity. As a result, growing research and industrial forces are focusing on new approaches for advanced communications considering new devices and protocols, advanced discovery mechanisms, and programmability techniques to express, measure and control the service quality, security, environmental and user requirements.

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We hope that EMERGING 2011 was a successful international forum for the exchange of ideas and results between academia and industry and for the promotion of progress in emerging network intelligence.

We are convinced that the participants found the event useful and communications very open. We also hope the attendees enjoyed the historic charm of Lisbon, Portugal.

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