FOREWORD

The International Journal of the Computer, the Internet and Management is very pleased to publish the “Pre-Conference” Proceedings of the International Conference on eLearning for Knowledge-Based Society. There are nine keynote addresses and over 30 papers in parallel sessions. However, due to very limited amount of time available, it is understandable that some authors cannot complete the manuscript in time to be included in the special issue of IJCIM.

The nine keynote addresses are “Delivering Effective and Measurable eLearning” by Wanda Miles of MicroSoft Corporation; “Content Development” by Datuk Syed Othman Alhabshi of UNITAR, the first eLearning university in Malaysia; “Some Lessons from an Experiment in eLearning” by Prof. Kesav V. Nori, Tata in India; “Usability and User-centered Design” by Dr. Tomas Berns, Ergolab in Sweden; “UkeU Experiences in Delivery of eLearning” by University of Southampton in UK; “The Wang Klaikangwon School, Hua Hin Model: Moving Ahead Together through Distance Education, the Way Forward” by Khwannee Vajarodaya, Distance Learning Foundation in Thailand; “Accreditation of eLearning Degree” by Prof. Dr. Srisakdi Charmonman, Assumption University of Thailand; “Experiences and Lessons of eLearning Development in Higher Education in China” by by Zhiting Zhu, China. The titles and authors of all papers presented are given in Appendix A.

The papers have been submitted to the editors from July 1 to July 15, 2004. In order for the Proceedings to be ready for distribution at the Conference on August 4, 2004, the camera-ready manuscript must be sent to the printshop on July 19, 2004. Two numbering systems for the pages were considered. The first option is to use 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, ..., 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, ..., 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, .... The second option is to use 1, 2, 3, .... With the first option, the papers could be included in the Proceedings in the order of presentation at the conference but the total numbers of pages in the Proceedings will not be readily obvious. Therefore, the second option is chosen by putting the papers or abstracts in the order of arrival in the office of the editors. Then an appendix is included with the list of authors in alphabetical order and pointers to the pages in the Proceedings.

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