Call for Papers

Distributed Media Technologies and Applications

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Aims:
Due to the popularity of the Internet, we are seeing more and more sophisticated techniques being developed to support media applications in a distributed environment. These applications include distributed image/audio/video retrieval systems, distributed search engines, and distributed virtual environments. In order for these applications to serve potentially a large number of concurrent users while maintaining system interactivity, we are also seeing more research effort on server architectures and other supporting technologies, such as networking, data delivery and data distribution. In this special issue, we call for papers that present recent development on distributed media technologies, distributed media server technologies, and distributed media applications.

Topics:
In this special issue, we call for original papers that describe novel distributed media technologies and their applications. We are particularly interested in systems that are applicable for the Internet environment. Areas of interests include, but not limited to:

- Media streaming, compression and synchronization techniques
- Media server architectures, including multi-server and grid-based architectures
- Network supports and QoS for media data transmission
- Distributed media databases and multi-modal query processing
- Distributed image / audio / video / graphics applications

Submission
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