

Message from the NSDI '24 Program Co-Chairs

Welcome to NSDI '24! This was a year of firsts for the conference. This is the first NSDI to have more than 100 PC members and accept more than 100 papers! It is also the first time that we have had an open call for PC members, leading to more PC members from different continents, countries, and institutions than ever before. Finally, for the first time ever, we had all PC members sign a code of conduct, which encouraged PC members to treat everyone involved in the review process (i.e., other PC members and authors) with respect and empathy. The reviewing process for a prestigious conference like NSDI is a stressful time for everyone, and we believe that the code of conduct led to a more productive outcome for everyone.

We are extremely pleased to have accepted a record 112 papers out of 601 submissions (a 7% increase with respect to NSDI '23, which was already a record year), yielding an 18.6% acceptance rate. 115 PC members were required over two deadlines to review this record number of submissions. For each of the two deadlines, the reviewing process consisted of two rounds of double-blind reviewing (which led to over 2500 written reviews) and an extensive online discussion. To accommodate the large number of PC members, both PC meetings were held over a three-day period. We are especially grateful to all of the PC members who called in (especially at odd hours) and made the PC meetings exceptionally smooth and pleasant. We'd also like to thank our Ph.D. students and post-doc scribes who managed PC members over 14 time zones (some of them changing time zones during the meeting!) for the online discussions.

Co-chairing NSDI is a hugely collaborative effort, and while it would be impossible for us to acknowledge every single person who helped us, we are incredibly indebted to the USENIX staff for all their hard work behind the scenes. We would also like to acknowledge the previous NSDI chairs and the NSDI steering committee members for sharing their experience and guiding us throughout the process. Last but not least, we would like to thank all the authors for submitting their best work to NSDI.

We look forward to seeing you all in Santa Clara for the NSDI '24!

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