

Preface

PET 2003 was the 3rd Workshop on Privacy Enhancing Technologies. It all started in 2000 with Hannes Federrath organizing “Designing Privacy Enhancing Technologies: Workshop on Design Issues in Anonymity and Unobservability,” July 25–26, 2000, held at the Computer Science Institute (ICSI), Berkeley, CA (LNCS 2009). Roger Dingledine, Adam Shostack, and Paul Syverson continued in April 2002 in San Francisco (PET 2002, LNCS 2482). This year was Dresden, and as long as the new PET field prospers, we intend to hold this workshop annually.

The workshop focused on the design and realization of anonymity and anti-censorship services for the Internet and other communication networks. Besides the excellent technical papers, we had four panels, led by Richard Clayton, Andrei Serjantov, Marit Hansen, and Allan Friedman. This year we also extended our work-in-progress talk schedule, allowing 24 people from the audience to introduce a variety of new technologies and perspectives.

An event like PET 2003 cannot happen without the work and dedication of many individuals. First we thank the authors, who wrote and submitted 52 full papers. Next the program committee, who wrote 163 reviews and selected 14 papers for presentation and publication, with additional reviewing help from Peter Berlich, Oliver Berthold, Steve Bishop, Jan Camenisch, Sebastian Clauß, Allison Clayton, George Danezis, Christian Friberg, Philippe Golle, Mike Gurski, Guenter Karjoth, Dogan Kesdogan, Stefan Köpsell, Thomas Krieglstein, Heinrich Langos, Nick Mathewson, Richard E. Newman, Richard Owens, David Parkes, Peter Pietzuch, Sandra Steinbrecher, Nathalie Weiler, Matthew Wright, and Sheng Zhong.

Besides this scientific work, organizational issues had to be taken care of: Martina Gersonde and Sandra Steinbrecher did a great job in handling all issues relating to the local administration. Stefan Köpsell and Silvia Labuschke gave all kinds of technical support, including providing WLAN Internet access at the workshop facilities. We are grateful to Secunet for providing us with free Internet access.

We tried to keep costs to a minimum but also offer many diverse social activities. The core business was paid for by the registration fees completely. In addition, we received generous sponsorship from Microsoft Europe and from MITACS, making it possible to offer stipends to students and other researchers so they could attend PET 2003. These contributions really helped us to bring together all parts of the community so we could push the field forward.

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