Chairs' Welcome

Welcome to the 2011 Dynamic Languages Symposium. This year's symposium is the 7th of its kind and continues the tradition of being the premier forum for advances in dynamic programming languages.

We received 19 submissions out of which our program committee accepted nine papers. They cover languages from Scheme to JavaScript but also more general aspects of dynamic languages such as just-in-time compilation, memory management, types and type inference, and of course parallel processing.

The symposium hosts two invited speakers—**Daniel Weinreb** will kick off *DLS 2011* and speak about server-side use of dynamic languages; in the afternoon **David Ungar** will challenge your knowledge about parallel programming.

DLS 2011 promises to fill a full day with new and exciting material. It is bound to live up to its name and offer a truly dynamic program. Most of all we hope that the symposium will provide you with an opportunity to share ideas with other dynamic language researchers and practitioners from institutions around the world.

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