

BCC'17 Chairs' Welcome

It is our pleasure to welcome you to The 1st ACM Workshop on Blockchain, Cryptocurrencies and Contracts (BCC'17) held in conjunction with The 12th ACM Asia Conference on Computer and Communications Security (AsiaCCS'17) during April 2-6, at Abu Dhabi, UAE. Blockchain is an emerging technology currently being used for a variety of applications such as cryptocurrencies and other financial transactions, smart properties, credential management, Internet-of-Things, supply chain management and many more. The theme of this workshop is to understand the foundations of blockchain technology and the design of new blockchain applications using smart contracts.

The call for papers attracted 17 submissions from Asia, Europe, and North America. The program committee accepted 5 papers based on their overall quality and novelty. Apart from the research papers, there are two keynote talks by *Dr. Juan Garay* and *Dr. Marko Vukolic*. We are grateful to the keynote speakers for accepting our invitations and to the authors of all the papers for submitting their work to this workshop. We thank the members of the program committee and external reviewers for their valuable service in evaluating the submissions. We hope these proceedings will serve as a valuable reference for researchers and practitioners in the field of blockchain technologies.

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