

VLDB 2007

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VLDB 2007, the premier international forum for database researchers, vendors, practitioners, application developers, and users, will be held in Vienna, the charming capital of Austria, right in the heart of Europe. The conference venue will be the historical main building of the University of Vienna, located in the city centre, a few steps away from the many well known historical sites.

Vienna – romantic nostalgia and modern hype, there is much to see: From Gothic St. Stephen's Cathedral to the Imperial Palace to the Art Nouveau splendor of the Secession, from the magnificent baroque palace Schönbrunn to the Museum of Fine Arts to modern architecture at the MuseumsQuartier. Vienna - hot & cold, loud & soft, expected & unexpected, a city of many facets: Electronic DJs are a part of Vienna as much as the Vienna State Opera. Trendy clubs, "young" galleries, modern architecture and stylish shops are as much Vienna as the concert halls, the large museums, the splendid buildings and the nostalgic shops. A leisurely shopping stroll, the sweet life between coffee houses and Heurigen, "in" bars and hotdog stands, clubbing and Beisels, look forward to VLDB 2007 bringing all this to you.

We invite submissions reporting original results on all aspects of data management as well as proposals for panels, tutorials, and demonstrations that will present the most critical issues and views on practical leading-edge database technology, applications, and techniques. We also invite proposals for events and workshops that may take place at the conference site before or after the VLDB 2007 conference.

Important dates:

- February 16, 2007 : Workshop proposal submission deadline
- March 14, 2007: Abstract submission deadline
- March 21, 2007: Paper, Panel, Demo and Tutorial submission deadline
- June 7, 2007: Author notification
- June 30, 2007: Camera-ready papers due
- September 23-24, 2007: Workshops
- September 25-28, 2007: Main Conference

Announcements

- A hard copy of the **VLDB 2006 Proceedings**, which consist of two volumes, is sold at 50,000 Won.
- There are some leftover copies of various **workshop proceedings**. Some workshop proceedings produced by Springer Verlag must be purchased. Other workshop proceedings that were locally produced can be acquired free of charge. Go to the Registration desk in Room 317A to inquire about either purchasing a copy of some proceedings or getting others free of charge.
- **List of Participants** is now available at the registration desk.

Today's Events

- **Complimentary Conference Tour.** This afternoon, there will be a complimentary conference tour to Gyeongbok Palace, the National Folk Museum, and Insadong Antique Valley. **The tour buses will leave at 13:00 at the South Gate.** We request that you come down to the South gate

by 12:45. Please note the time change. In the Program, it was announced that the buses leave at 13:30, but due to expected heavy traffic, we will leave at 13:00. A total of five buses will leave. A boxed lunch will be provided in the bus. **The tour is expected to end at 17:30 and the tour buses will bring you back to the hotel.** After the tour, you may stay in the area in order to explore the center of Seoul. There are plenty of shops for your curiosity. You may also even visit *Namdaemun Market* (meaning South Gate Market) near the City Hall for extra shopping. The market is only a few minutes away by taxi.



Past Events

- **The banquet** took place at the Grand Ballroom on Wednesday evening. Almost 500 attendees enjoyed a ten-course royal Korean meal and performance of traditional Korean dancing followed by a Tae-Kwon Show.

Traditional Korean Fan Dancing



Black Belt Dr. Paolo Atzeni!



● The Ten-Year Best Paper Award

This year the award went to **Alon Halevy, Anand Rajaraman, and Joann J. Ordille** for their paper entitled "*Querying Heterogeneous Information Sources Using Source Descriptions.*" On Thursday morning, Alon delivered his award talk entitled "Data Integration: the Teenage Years."

The awardees: Umesh Dayal, Gerhard Weikum, and Kyu-Young Whang.



● The VLDB 2006 Best Paper Award and the Business Lunch

The VLDB 2006 Best Paper Award and Certificates of Appreciation were delivered during Thursday Business Lunch. VLDB Endowment Chair Gerhard Weikum bestowed Certificates of Appreciation to all the sponsoring organizations and the members of the VLDB 2006 Organizing Committee. General Program Chair Umeshwar Dayal described the award criteria of the Best Paper Award and presented the award to **Soumyadeb Mitra** (UIUC), **Windsor W. Hsu** (IBM Almaden Research center), and **Marianne Winslett** (UIUC) who won with their paper entitled "*Trustworthy Keyword Search for Regulatory-Compliant Record Retention*". The paper will be presented this morning at Session 28 in Room 311.



Update on Registration Statistics

As of September 14, 2PM, the VLDB 2006 has received a total of 687 registrations so far. The registrations by non-Koreans are 62%, and student registrations are 32% of all the registrations.

	Kor.	Non - Kor.	Total
Regular	112	280	392
Students	112	105	217
WS-Only	34	44	78
Total	258	429	687

VLDB 2006 Snaps

Student Volunteer



Man of the Conference, Local Arrangement Chair, Yong Chul Oh






What do we write for VLDB 2007?



Do you see what I mean?



Weather

FRI Sept. 15.	SAT Sept. 16.	SUN Sept. 17
		
16 ~27	16 ~23	15 ~23
61F~81F	61F~73F	59F~73F

City Air Terminal

City Air Terminal (CAT) could save a lot of your time for the return to your country. CAT is located right next to COEX. CAT houses offices for KAL and Asiana Airlines. If your flight is KAL, Asiana, or one of their associated airlines, you could check in and send luggage at CAT. The Limo buses runs from 5:20AM to 20:00 and takes about 65 minutes to Incheon International Airport. For more information, call 551-3321 for KAL and 551-3360 for Asiana Airlines.

Farewell VLDB 2006!

On behalf of the VLDB2006 organizing committee, we hope that you enjoyed the VLDB 2006 and stays in Korea. We appreciate all the authors, attendees, program committee members, student volunteers, sponsors, and organizers who contributed to the success of the VLDB 2006. We wish your safe trip back home and see you in VLDB 2007, Vienna, Austria!

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