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A total of 4,348 individuals from academia, research institutes, industry and governmental agencies from 73 countries submitted contributions, and 1,397 papers that were judged to be of high scientific quality were included in the program. These papers address the latest research and development efforts and highlight the human aspects of the design and use of computing systems. The papers accepted for presentation thoroughly cover the entire field of human–computer interaction, addressing major advances in knowledge and effective use of computers in a variety of application areas.

This volume, edited by Constantine Stephanidis, contains papers in the thematic area of Universal Access in Human–Computer Interaction, addressing the following major topics:

- Universal Access to Learning and Education
- Interaction and Navigation in Physical and Virtual Environments
- Universal Access to On-line Communities, eServices and Work
- Language, Text , Voice, Sound, Images and Signs
- Universal Access to the World Wide Web

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