

## Preface

The third conference *The Future of Information Sciences – INFUTURE 2011: Information Sciences and e-Society*, aims to bring together researchers, professionals, businessmen and project managers from this hot topic domain. This time, it is organised by the Department of Information Sciences, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb under the high auspices of Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts (HAZU).

The interaction between science, society and business applications is presented from various aspects, discussing theoretical and practical issues, such as e-government, electronic voting, mobile applications, etc. The role of e-learning in Croatian academic institutions is analyzed, as well as the e-society aspects through collaboration and in online multimedia environment. Social and media communication discuss the role of technology in society, social networks and electronic publishing. Digital preservation is considered in an archival surrounding, and as an e-science. The role of language technologies and natural language processing are analyzed through the aspects of language identification, automatic detection, web services, written and spoken word analysis and evaluation of translation tools.

INFUTURE2011 established cooperation with KEEP Project which aims to develop emulation services for enabling rendering of static and dynamic objects, in order to facilitate access to cultural heritage. KEEP Project will disseminate their research results at the INFUTURE2011 conference.

At the third, INFUTURE2011 conference, about 50 internationally peer-reviewed papers are to be presented, together with invited speeches and two project presentations, elaborating, through multidisciplinary approaches, the role of information sciences and e-society. About 120 participants from 12 countries will participate, together with participants from the KEEP Project.

We believe that the interaction among scientists, professionals, businessmen and investors could create a platform for building common high-quality tools and resources in the modern, e-society.

*Editorial Board*