We are pleased to announce that ICSE 2006 will be held in Shanghai, China, the epicenter of one of the fastest-growing software communities in the world. Shanghai is a fascinating and invigorating blend of both the ancient and the modern, the Western, and the distinctly Oriental. A high-speed Maglev train, one of the fastest in operation anywhere in the world, connects an ultramodern international airport (Pudong International) with a thriving metropolis whose skyline is punctuated by a growing proliferation of ultramodern skyscrapers.

The conference venue will be the new Shanghai International Conference Center, which recently hosted the Asian Pacific Economic Conference, attended by the leaders of many Asian nations. The Conference Center is located on the banks of the Huang Pu river, continually traversed with bustling traffic. The Conference Center looks across the river to the historic Bund, a row of historic buildings built by the European powers at the turn of the 20th century, and to a modern city intermixed with the considerable charm of the ancient Chinese culture and traditions.

We invite you to start planning now to attend ICSE 2006, and the many technical and social events that will be associated with the main conference.

Please mark your calendar!

On behalf of the entire organizing committee,

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