Editorial

This special issue of the JISSec contains three papers carefully selected from the 4th Mediterranean Conference on Information Systems (MCIS09) that took place in Athens, Greece, from the 25th to the 27th of September 2009. MCIS09 provided an international forum for sharing original research results among Information Systems researchers in the Mediterranean region. These papers have been presented in a special track dedicated to Information Systems Security and Privacy. In preparing the versions for the journal, the authors were given the opportunity to revise their papers to reflect discussions at the conference, as well as any further developments in their work since the original submissions

As special track chairs we would like to express our gratitude to the Program Committee members, as well as the external reviewers, for their constructive and insightful comments during the review process. We are indebted to the MCIS09 General Chairs Georgios Doukidis and Chrisanthi Avgerou for their support and encouragement. Moreover, we thank the members of the Organizing Committee for their continuous and valuable support and all the authors that have submitted papers to the special track.

All the three selected papers address important issues of IS security management. The paper by Christos Kalloniatis, Evangelia Kavakli, and Efstathios Kontelis, titled "PriS Tool: A Case Tool for Privacy-Oriented Requirements Engineering" presents a new method for privacy requirements engineering, which aims to incorporate privacy requirements early in the system development process. The method is accompanied by a tool that facilitates the identification, analysis, and specification of privacy requirements.

The paper by George Aggelinos and Sokratis Katsikas, called "Integrating Disaster Recovery Plan Activities into the System Development Life Cycle" addresses the issue of Disaster Recovery Planning (DRP). The authors show how DRP can become part of the standard System Development Life Cycle. They provide details how to achieve this and discuss the resulting benefits.

The third paper is authored by Aggeliki Tsohou, Maria Karyda, Spyros Kokolakis and Evangelos Kiountouzis. It is titled "Aligning Security Awareness with Information Systems Security Management" and discusses the interplay between awareness activities and IS security management. The authors have analyzed the IS security management process and the security awareness process separately and have identified interactions between their goals, roles, dependencies and emergent events.

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