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The purpose of ICGIP 2017 is to share an opportunity for researchers to introduce recent issues related to graphic and image processing. It covers a broad range of topics in the field, such as target detection and tracking, face recognition, pattern recognition, image transformation and algorithms, image segmentation, etc. We thank the members of the ICGIP 2017 committee for managing the reviews of submissions. We believe these are the main driving factors that contribute to our success.

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