

## Greetings from the General Chair

Welcome to the 11<sup>th</sup> *International Meeting on High Performance Computing for Computational Science (VECPAR)*. *VECPAR* is well known as a premier technical forum where researchers and practitioners in all branches of science that require computer modeling and simulation have the opportunity to meet and discuss techniques and technologies that can contribute to the effective analysis of complex systems and physical phenomena. The conference began in 1993 with the objective to engage academia, research laboratories, and industry on the current, pressing issues in computational science resulting from applications of interest to society, innovations in computing, and future directions in science and engineering. *VECPAR 2014* continues its strong tradition of providing an exceptional technical program, thought-provoking keynote addresses, interesting workshops and tutorials, poster presentations, and plenty of opportunities for social interaction. This year the conference is taking place in beautiful Eugene, Oregon, the “Emerald City” of the Willamette Valley and the home of the University of Oregon. It is my pleasure to serve as the General Chair for *VECPAR 2014* and I hope that you will find the meeting to be a rich and rewarding experience.

The success of *VECPAR 2014* is the result of an outstanding team of people. The Steering Committee, led by Osni Marques, provided valuable guidance and thoughtful oversight during the conference planning process. The hard work of the Scientific Committee, chaired by Kengo Nakajima, delivered an excellent technical program and I sincerely appreciate the committee’s dedicated and professional efforts in paper reviewing. I especially want to thank the Organizing Committee who brought important skills, positive energy, and good humor throughout the endeavor. The outstanding work by Sameer Shende in his role as the Local Arrangement Chair touched all aspects of the conference operations. His organizational leadership and dedication to the success of *VECPAR* was remarkable. Kevin Huck is to thank for the conference’s online presence as the Web Chair and Wyatt Spear provided technical and graphical skills in the production of the conference materials. Business administration and financial accounting were placed in the competent hands of Charlotte Wise. Her attention to details was invaluable.

The *VECPAR 2014* conference is sincerely grateful for the generous financial contributions of our corporate supporters from Fujitsu, Intel, ParaTools, Inc., and Rogue Wave. We are honored that they recognize the value of the *VECPAR* mission and their assistance will translate directly to providing a productive and enjoyable conference environment for everyone.

I hope that *VECPAR 2014* will be a stimulating and productive meeting where you can engage technically and socially with other researchers, colleagues, and friends from around the world.

Allen D. Malony  
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