BACKGROUND

The quality of software has an important bearing on the financial and safety aspects in our daily lives. Unfortunately, software systems often fail to deliver according to promises. It is well known that there are still unresolved errors in many of the software systems that we are using every day. The Asia-Pacific region is far from being immune to these problems. The prime objective of the conference is to provide a forum to bring together researchers and practitioners from this region to address this issue seriously.

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- June 5, 2000 Notification of acceptance
- July 20, 2000 Deadline for camera-ready copies of accepted manuscripts
- July 31, 2000 Deadline for early bird registration
- October 30–31, 2000 Conference

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