Preface

This issue of the *Journal of Computer Security* contains four papers selected from the 21st IEEE Computer Security Foundations Symposium (CSF) held at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, USA, in June 2008. CSF brings together researchers in computer science to examine foundational issues in computer security. A distinct feature of CSF in 2008 was collocation with the 23rd IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS).

The four papers contained in this issue have been extended and revised for journal publication, following the normal reviewing process of the *Journal of Computer Security*. The papers investigate foundational issues related to cryptographic foundations, system policies, security protocol analysis and proofs.

I would like to thank the authors for their hard work on the papers. I am grateful to the reviewers for their thorough and helpful reviews and I would also like to thank the CSF program committee for the first round of evaluation of these papers. Finally, thanks are due to the Editors-in-Chief for the opportunity of publishing this special issue.

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