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Message from the Program Chairs

Welcome to the 2023 Symposium on Usable Security and Privacy (USEC)! This year we are back with NDSS as a symposium, acknowledging the growth of our field and the efforts of past USEC organizers. We would like to thank Prof. L. Jean Camp and NDSS organizers for helping us make this transition! We are also excited to have a largely in-person symposium, while still accommodating colleagues who could not travel.

Within the span of a few years, USEC was able to establish itself as one of the top venues for publishing work on a wide range of topics in human-centric security and privacy. Papers published at USEC continue to make a significant impact on academic research and practice. This year we received 24 submissions. We are extremely pleased with the quality of the submissions. We are also excited to welcome our first group of vision track papers this year at USEC.

The papers accepted this year fall into four main themes. The first is privacy and security in augmented and virtual reality. The second session focuses on user attitudes and behaviors in a variety of situations including misinformation exposure and credential sharing. The third session includes USEC's first-ever vision track – focusing on work in progress and short papers to spark discussions in the community. Finally, our fourth session revolves around privacy and security tools.

We would also like to thank our esteemed keynote speaker and winner of our inaugural Test of Time Award for "User-Centered Security" – Mary Ellen Zurko – who is kicking off our sessions with a reflection on usability research in security and privacy.

Many people have helped us put together a successful program. We thank our excellent program committee members who have done a wonderful job in contributing high-quality reviews; we are grateful for their dedication and tireless efforts. We thank Xiaojing Liao, Ben Stock, and Karen O'Donoghue for steering us through the process of organizing USEC with NDSS. We also want to extend a special thank you to David Balenson for helping us publish the papers.

Our special thanks go to Prof. L. Jean Camp for being a wonderful advisor and mentor of organizing USEC.

Lastly, we thank all our presenters, without whom this would not have been possible. We look forward to hosting an exciting day of high-quality discussion and networking in San Diego!

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