This is an invitation to attend RECPAD'2011 Conference. RecPad is the Portuguese Conference on Pattern Recognition, sponsored by APRP (Portuguese Association for Pattern Recognition). RecPad 2011 will take place at the Casa da Música, Porto, in October 28, 2011.

RecPad 2011 will be an one-day conference, with an invited talk and poster sessions, following the format of adopted of previous events. RecPad aims at promoting the collaboration between the Portuguese scientific community in the fields of Pattern Recognition, Image Analysis and Processing, Soft computing, and related areas.

The RecPad 2011 meeting will welcome contributions on any pattern recognition topics, from which the following are representative examples:

- Feature extraction
- Feature selection
- Classification
- Clustering
- Ensembles and multi-classifiers
- Hybrid methods
- Syntactical methods
- Object recognition
- Face recognition, 3D face recognition
- Character recognition
- Gesture recognition
- Image understanding
- Machine vision, Computer vision
- Statistical methods, Statistical estimation
- Image Description and Recognition
- Information Theory
- Sensors, Sensor Fusion
- Fault detection and diagnosis
- Intelligent systems, Soft Computing techniques
- Neural Network architectures
- Fuzzy logic, Fuzzy image processing
- Data mining
- Image enhancement. Restoration and segmentation
- Blind signal separation (BSS), Blind deconvolution

The works should be submitted as extended abstracts for consideration by the Technical Program Committee. The accepted papers will be compiled and distributed only in electronic format. The program of the conference will be designed in order to allow traveling to Porto in the same day of the conference, for keeping the costs low. For participants more distant, accommodations facilities may be offered at low prices. It is an ideal time for socializing and sharing of experience between young and senior researchers, showcasing their work and looking ahead to the future.

We all look forward to seeing you in October.

Steering Committee, RECPAD 2011