Preface

The 24th International Conference on Learning Theory, COLT 2011, was held in Budapest, Hungary between July 9-11, 2011. It was co-located with the Foundations of Computational Mathematics conference (FOCM 2011, July 4th - 14th). There was a total of 36 accepted papers and a total of 6 open problems. The best paper prize was awarded to Alexander Rakhlin, Karthik Sridharan and Ambuj Tewari for their paper "Online Learning: Beyond Regret" The best student paper prize was awarded to Amit Daniely and Sivan Sabato for "Multiclass Learnability and the ERM Principle" (co-authored with Shai Ben-David and Shai Shalev Shwartz). The invited speakers were William T. Freeman and David J. Hand.

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The conference was applauded as a success.

Sincerely,
Sham M. Kakade and Ulrike von Luxburg, the program chairs