The Ninth International Conference on Provable Security (ProvSec 2015) will be held at Kanazawa Tokyu Hotel in Kanazawa, Japan on November 24-26, 2015. Provable security is an important research area in modern cryptography. Cryptographic primitives or protocols without a rigorous proof cannot be regarded as secure in practice. In fact, there are many schemes that were originally thought as secure but eventually broken, which clearly indicates the need of formal security assurance. With provable security, we are confident in using cryptographic schemes and protocols in various real-world applications. Meanwhile, schemes with provable security sometimes give only theoretical feasibility rather than a practical construction, and correctness of the proofs may be difficult to verify. ProvSec conference thus provides a platform for researchers, scholars and practitioners to exchange new ideas for solving these problems in the provable security area.

Publication and Awards:
The conference proceedings will be published by Springer-Verlag in the Lecture Notes in Computer Science series. The best paper(s) and best student paper(s) will be selected and awarded a prize.

Special Issues:
International Journal of Applied Cryptography (IJACT): Special Issue on “Provable Security for Information and Communications”
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Conference Topics:
All aspects of provable security for cryptographic primitives or protocols, include but are not limited to the following areas:

- Asymmetric provably secure cryptography
- Cryptographic primitives
- Lattice-based security reductions
- Leakage-resilient cryptography
- Pairing-based provably secure cryptography
- Privacy and anonymity technologies
- Provably secure block ciphers and hash functions
- Secure cryptographic protocols and applications
- Security notions, approaches, and paradigms
- Steganography and steganalysis

Important Dates:
Conference date: November 24-26, 2015
Paper submission deadline: June 17, 2015 extended to June 29, re-extended to July 4 at 23:59 (JST)
Notification of acceptance: August 17, 2015 August 24, 2015
Camera ready deadline: August 24, 2015 August 31, 2015

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Conference Venue:
Kanazawa is the prefectural capital of Ishikawa Prefecture and located in the central part of the mainland of Japan. It takes 45 min by airplane and 2 hours 28 min by bullet train from Tokyo. In Kanazawa, there are one of Japan’s three most beautiful gardens called Kenrokuken, and Kanazawa Castle. For more information, visit http://www.kanazawa-tourism.com/.

Stipends:
The ProvSec 2015 student grant program provides a limited number of stipends to help partially cover travel and accommodation expenses for full-time students whose paper is accepted and present the paper at ProvSec 2015. More information about stipends, including instructions about how to apply, will appear on the web page.

Invited Lectures: (tentative)
Sanjam Garg (University of California, Berkeley): Garbled Random-Access Machines.
Phillip Rogaway (University of California, Davis): Advances inAuthenticated Encryption.
Serge Vaudenay (EPFL): On Privacy for RFID.

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