

## BRIEF BIOGRAPHY OF DR. DINKAR SITARAM

Dr. Dinkar Sitaram is a Professor in the Department of Computer Science at PES University. He heads the Center for Cloud Computing and Big Data at PES University, and is driving research in these areas. He is also chairing the Cloud Computing Innovation Council of India working group that is working with TSDSI on developing cloud standards for India, He is the author of two books - a recent book on Cloud Computing, called "Moving to the Cloud - Developing Apps in the New World of Cloud Computing" published by American Elsevier in December 2011. His earlier book "Multimedia Servers" was published by Morgan Kaufman, San Francisco. He is the author of over 20 patents and 32 publications, and has over 3000 citations to his work.

Dr. Sitaram received his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and his B.Tech from IIT Kharagpur. He joined as a Research Staff Member in IBM's Research Division at the IBM T.J.Watson Research Center, NY. At IBM, Dr. Sitaram received an IBM Outstanding Innovation Award (an IBM Corporate Award) as well as IBM Research Division Award and several IBM Invention Achievement Awards for his patents and research, received outstanding paper awards at ACM Multimedia for his work. He also served on the editorial board of the Journal of High-Speed Networking.

Subsequently, he returned to India as Director of the Technology Group at Novell Corp., Bangalore. The group developed many innovative products in addition to filing for many patents and standards proposals. Dr. Sitaram received Novell's Employee of the Year award. Subsequently, Dr. Sitaram was CTO at Andiamo Systems India (a storage networking startup), responsible for architecture and technical direction of an advanced storage management solution. Andiamo Systems was acquired by Cisco Systems.

Most recently, Dr. Sitaram was CTO at HP Systems Technology and Software Division, the product R&D organization of HP in India. He focused on driving cloud and storage technologies as part of the HP Storage Division. He also worked on file system strategies, and high reliability for the HP Unix server division. He was also responsible for Patents and University Relations at STSD.