Call for Papers

--------- Special Section on Cyberworlds---------

The IEICE Transactions on Information and Systems announces that it will publish a special section entitled “Special Section on Cyberworlds” in March 2016.

Cyberworlds are information worlds or communities created on cyberspace by collaborating participants either intentionally or spontaneously. As information worlds, they accumulate information regardless whether or not anyone is in, and they can be with or without 2D or 3D visual graphics appearance. The examples of such cyberworlds are communities created in different social networking services, 3D shared virtual environments, and multiplayer online games. Cyberworlds are closely related to the real world and have a serious impact on it, augment and sometimes replace the real life and become a significant component of real economy. The aim of the special issue is to provide a comprehensive view on the state of art research on cyberworlds so as to promote the further development of the related technologies.

1. Scope

This special section aims at timely dissemination of researches on cyberworlds. Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

- Networked and shared virtual worlds
- Virtual collaborative spaces
- Shape modeling for cyberworlds
- Virtual humans and avatars
- Multimodal interaction and rendering
- Computer vision for augmented and mixed reality
- Cognitive informatics
- Brain-computer interfaces
- Affective computing
- Social computing
- Online communities
- E-learning in cyberworlds
- Multi-user web games
- Art and heritage in cyberspace, cyber-museums
- Cyberethics and cyberlaws
- Cybersecurity
- Welfare in cyberworlds
- Data mining and warehousing in cyberworlds
- Visual analytics in cyberworlds

2. Submission Instructions

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