The IEICE Transactions on Communications announces that it will publish a special section entitled "Special Section on Advanced Information and Communication Technologies and Services in Conjunction with Main Topics of APCC2015" in the August 2016 issue.

While globalization progresses beyond the border, the importance of the role of the Asia-Pacific region has been increasing more and more in the development of telecommunication technology. Under such circumstances, APCC (Asia-Pacific Conference on Communications) is held every year for the purpose of providing an opportunity to young researchers and students of the telecommunications sector in the Asia-Pacific region countries to present their research achievements, exchange future views and opinions, and promote people-to-people exchanges among researchers. We also have contributed to improve the level of advanced research. In conjunction with the opportunity of APCC2015 organized by the IEICE Communications Society, special section is being planned (scheduled to appear in the August 2016 issue). We prospect for the future outlook the state-of-the-art telecommunication technology and further promote research and development of the information and communication technologies and services in the Asia-Pacific region. The special section solicits paper submission particularly from, but not restricted to, researchers who presented their original works in APCC2015.

1. Scope
This special section aims at timely dissemination of research in these areas. Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

(1) Wireless communication technologies
    4G/5G mobile networks, Broadband wireless access, WLAN/ WPAN, Cognitive radio, Software radio, Antennas and propagations, Satellite and space communications

(2) Optical communication technologies
    Optical fiber, Optical communication system, Photonic network

(3) Network technologies
    Social networks, Network and service management, Overlay networks, M2M/P2P networks, Software defined networks

(4) Fundamental technologies for communication
    Green communications, Advanced modulation and coding, Speech and video signal processing, Information and communication theory, Broadcasting technologies

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