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Special Section on Empirical Software Engineering

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This special section of the IEICE Transactions on Information and Systems targets scientific contributions, development and empirical assessment of software engineering technologies, and practical or industrial experience reports in empirical software engineering research. We also particularly encourage submissions of extended papers accepted and presented at the 9th International Workshop on Empirical Software Engineering in Practice (IWESEP 2018).

The objective of this special section is to share new and innovative contributions, the strength and weakness of technologies in use and new technologies, and original or replicated studies varying from controlled experiments to field studies and from quantitative to qualitative analyses.

1. Scope

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- Automated supports for software development
- Development of tools/systems, and management reports
- Empirical studies using qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods
- Evaluation and comparison of techniques and tools
- Experiments and quasi-experiments
- FLOSS development and software ecosystems
- Human factors and social aspects of software engineering
- Industrial experiences
- Meta-analyses
- Software analytics
- Software documentation
- Software process and products
- Software quality management
- Software reuse
- Testing, verification, and validation

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