

Call for Papers

----- Special Cluster in Conjunction with IEICE General Conference 2020 -----

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1. Scope

This special cluster aims at seamless publication of the work in the entire field of communications. Possible topics include, but are not limited to, Fundamental Theories for Communications, Energy in Electronics Communications, Transmission Systems and Transmission Equipment for Communications, Optical Fiber for Communications, Fiber-Optic Transmission for Communications, Network System, Network, Internet, Network Management/Operation, Antennas and Propagation, Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC), Wireless Communication Technologies, Terrestrial Wireless Communication/Broadcasting Technologies, Satellite Communications, Sensing, Navigation, Guidance and Control Systems, Space Utilization Systems for Communications, and Multimedia Systems for Communications.

2. Schedule

Submission Open: April 1st, 2020 (JST)

Submission Deadline: June 30th, 2020 (JST)

We note that the submitted paper will proceed to review process right after the submission and the review result will be sent to authors as soon as the decision is made. Authors can resubmit the rejected manuscript in the special cluster after careful revisions as many times as possible during the submission period. All the accepted papers, which will have submitted by the submission deadline, will be published in this special cluster of the ComEX.

3. Submission Instructions

The maximum number of words is 1500; the maximum number of items (Figures, Tables, and Algorithms) is 3. Manuscripts should be prepared according to the guideline in the “Information for Authors.” The latest version is available at the web site, http://www.comex.ieice.org/data/for_authors.html. In particular, please refer to the paragraph on novelty. Review process will begin immediately after submission.

When authors resubmit the revised manuscript whose original version has been rejected in the previous submission, the authors are encouraged to indicate a manuscript ID assigned in the previous submission and to append a "Reply Letter" to expedite the review process. Accepted papers will appear on the IEICE ComEX web site as advance publication as soon as payment of the article charge is confirmed by the ComEX Publishing Office. All of them will appear as a special cluster in ComEX web site on December 1st, 2020.

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