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Welcome

Dear colleagues and friends,

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the beautiful city of Florence (Italy) for the 2024 IEEE International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and ITNC-USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting at the "Fortezza da Basso" Convention Center from July 14 to 19, 2024. The event is co-sponsored by the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society (IEEE AP-S), the Italian National Committee (ITNC), and the US National Committee (USNC) of the International Union of Radio Science (URSI). The Symposium will feature a diverse range of keynote speeches, technical sessions, and interactive workshops covering various topics related to antennas and propagation. From antenna design and analysis to electromagnetic theory, wireless communication systems, and beyond, we will explore the pioneering research and applications that are shaping the future of this dynamic field. Florence is the cradle of the Renaissance, developed in Italy from the mid-fourteenth century to the end of the sixteenth century, marking the transition from the Middle Ages to modernity. In this sense, we hope our conference will contribute to a 'Technological Renaissance' for advancing humanity.

We look forward to welcoming you personally to Florence in 2024 and making your congress experience pleasant and unforgettable. Sincerely,

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IMPORTANT DATES

15 OCTOBER 2023

PROPOSAL OF SPECIAL SESSIONS

3 DECEMBER 2023

PROPOSAL FOR SHORT COURSES/ WORKSHOP/TUTORIALS

21 JANUARY 2024

PAPER SUBMISSION DEADLINE









Paper Submission

Authors are invited to submit abstracts and papers for review and possible presentation on topics of interest to AP-S and USNC-URSI: AP-S submissions must be in standard IEEE two-column format and must be two pages in length.

USNC-URSI submissions may be in either a one-page, one-column format with a minimum length of 250 words, or in the IEEE two-page, two-column format with a length of two pages.

Suggested topics and general information are listed below and on the conference website. Please note the following:

- In all cases, only accepted and presented submissions that are in the IEEE two-page two-column format and substantially fill the two pages will be submitted for possible inclusion in IEEE Xplore if the author chooses submission to Xplore.
- All accepted and presented submissions will appear in the proceedings distributed at the conference.
- The presenting author will be required to register for the conference by the due date (to be announced) in order for their paper to be included in the conference.
- Detailed instructions, including formats and templates, are available on the conference website.
- Every effort will be made to complete the review process before the registration is open, so attendees have sufficient time to obtain visas as needed.

AP-S Topics

Antenna Fundamentals

- 1. Antenna theory
- 2. Antenna measurements
- 3. Antenna feeds and matching circuits
- 4. Wire antennas
- 5. Slot antennas
- 6. Dielectric resonator antennas
- 7. Microstrip antennas
- 8. Traveling and guided-wave antennas
- 9. Electrically small antennas

Antenna Enhancements

- 10. Array antennas
- 11. Mutual coupling in antennas
- 12. Reflector and reflectarray antennas
- 13. Multi-band antennas
- 14. Broadband/ultra-wideband antennas & systems
- 15. Millimeter-wave antennas
- 16. Metasurface and metamaterial antennas
- 17. MIMO implementations and applications
- 18. Reconfigurable and adaptive antennas and arrays

Electromagnetics: Theory, Materials, and Education

- 19. Electromagnetic theory
- 20. Electromagnetic material properties and measurements
- 21. Frequency-selective surfaces
- 22. Electromagnetic bandgap materials
- 23. Metamaterials and metasurfaces
- 24. Nano-electromagnetics
- 25. High power electromagnetics
- 26. Random and nonlinear electromagnetics
- 27. Electromagnetics education
- 28. Historical Aspects of Antennas & EM

Computational and Analytical Techniques

- 29. Computational electromagnetics
- 30. High-frequency and asymptotic methods
- 31. Integral-equation methods
- 32. FDTD methods
- 33. FEM methods
- 34. Hybrid methods
- 35. Techniques for transient simulations
- 36. Techniques for layered and inhomogeneous media
- 37. Optimization methods in EM designs
- 38. Parallel and special-processor-based numerical methods

Propagation and Scattering

- 39. Indoor, urban, terrestrial, and ionospheric propagation
- 40. Propagation models
- 41. Channel modeling
- 42. Propagation and scattering in random or complex media
- 43. Scattering, diffraction, and RCS
- 44. Inverse scattering and imaging
- 45. Remote sensing

Antenna Applications and Emerging Technologies

- 46. Biomedical applications
- 47. Mobile antennas
- 48. Automotive antennas & electromagnetics
- 49. Satellite antennas
- 50. Antennas on platforms and in specialized environments
- 51. On-chip antennas
- 52. 3D printed antennas and structures
- 53. RFID antennas and systems
- 54. Wireless power transmission and harvesting
- 55. THz and optical antennas
- 56. Software-defined/cognitive radio
- 57. Al in electromagnetic field applications

URSI Topics

Commission A: Electromagnetic Metrology

- A.1. Microwave to sub-millimeter measurements/standards
- A.2. Quantum metrology and fundamental concepts
- A.3. Time and frequency
- A.4. Time-domain metrology, EM-field metrology
- A.5. EMC and EM metrology
- A.6. Noise
- A.7. Materials
- A.8. Bioeffects and medical applications
- A.9. Antennas
- A.10. Impulse radar
- A.11. Interconnect and packaging

- A.12. Test facilities
- A.13. THz metrology
- A.14. High-Frequency and millimeter wireless metrology

Commission B: Fields & Waves

Antennas

- B.1. Antenna theory, design, and measurements
- B.2. Antenna arrays and systems
- B.3. Microstrip and printed antennas, circuits, and devices
- B.4. Antenna feeds and reflector and reflectarray antennas

Propagation, Scattering, Sensing

B.5. Electromagnetic propagation, scattering, and interaction

- B.6. Guided-wave structures and systems
- B.7. Imaging, inverse scattering, and remote sensing
- B.8. Wireless sensors, networks, and communication

Numerical Methods

- B.9. Integral-equation methods
- B.10. Finite-element, finite-difference, and hybrid methods
- B.11. Computational electromagnetics, analysis, and optimization

Theory, Materials, Education

- B.12. Electromagnetic theory
- B.13. Metamaterials and complex media
- B.14. Electromagnetics education

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Devices, Systems, Applications

- B.15. RF and microwave devices, structures, and systems
- B.16. THz and optical antennas, devices, and systems
- B.17. Biomedical applications of fields and waves

Commission C: Radio Communication and Signal Processing Systems

- C.1. Cognitive radio, software-defined wireless systems, and waveform diversity
- C.2. Computational imaging and inverse methods
- C.3. Information theory, coding, modulation, and detection
- C.4. MIMO and MISO systems
- C.5. Radar systems, target detection, localization, and tracking
- C.6. Radio communication systems
 - C.6.1. Internet of Things
 - C.6.2.5G
- C.6.3. Electromagnetic spectral harmony
- C.7. Sensor networks, and sensor array processing and calibration
- C.8. Signal and image processing
- C.9. Spectrum and medium utilization
- C.9.1. Electromagnetic modeling of systems and environments
- C.10. Synthetic aperture and space-time processing
- C.11. Ground-penetrating radar (GPR)
- C.12. Distributed, multi-modality, electromagnetic, autonomous systems

Commission D: Electronics and Photonics

- D.1. Electronic devices, circuits, and applications
- D.2. Photonic devices, circuits, and applications
- D.3. Physics, materials, CAD, technology and reliability of electronic and photonic devices. in radio science and telecommunications
- D.4. Wireless Power
- D.5. Wearable Antennas
- D.6. THz electronics and antennas

- D.7. Integrated antenna systems for MMW and THz
- D.8. Active Antennas
- D.9. Reconfigurable RF
- D.10. IoT and RFID antennas, circuits, and systems
- D.11. Metamaterials and plasmonics

Commission E: Electromagnetic Environment and Interference

- E.1. Electromagnetic environment
 - E.1.1. Electromagnetic noise of natural origin
 - E.1.2. Manmade noise
- E.2. Electromagnetic compatibility measurement technologies
- E.3. Electromagnetic compatibility standards
- E.4. Legal aspects of electromagnetic compatibility
- E.5. Electromagnetic radiation hazards
- E.6. Electromagnetic compatibility education
- E.7. Computational electromagnetics in electromagnetic compatibility
- E.7.1. Computer Modeling
- E.7.2. Model Validation
- E.7.3. Statistical Analysis
- E.8. Effects of natural and intentional emissions on system performance
 - F.8.1. Crosstalk
- E.8.2. Effects of transients
- E.8.3. System analysis
- E.8.4. Signal integrity
- E.8.5. Electromagnetic compatibility in communication systems
- E.8.6. Statistical analysis
- E.9. High-power electromagnetics
- E.9.1. Electrostatic discharge
- E.9.2. Electromagnetic pulse and lightning
- E.9.3. Transients
- E.9.4. Power transmission
- $\hbox{\it E.10. Spectrum compatibility issues, usage and management}\\$

Commission F: Wave Propagation and Remote Sensing

- F.1. Point-to-point propagation effects
 - F.1.1. Measurements
- F.1.2. Propagation models
- F.1.3. Multipath/mitigation
- F.1.4. Land or water paths
- F.1.5. Scattering/diffraction
- F.1.6. Indoor/outdoor links
- F.1.7. Mobile/fixed paths
- F.1.8. Horizontal/slant paths
- F.1.9. Surface/atmosphere interactions
- F.1.10. Numerical weather prediction
- F.1.11. Dispersion/delay
- F.1.12. Natural/manmade structures
- F.2. Microwave remote sensing of the Earth
- F.2.1. Atmospheric sensing
- F.2.2. Ocean and ice sensing
- F.2.3. Field campaigns
- F.2.4. Interferometry and SAR
- F.2.5. Subsurface sensing
- F.2.6. Scattering/diffraction
- F.2.7. Radiation and emission
- F.2.8. Propagation effects
- F.2.9. Urban environments
- F.2.10. Soil moisture & terrain
- F.3. Propagation and remote sensing in complex and random media

Commission K: Electromagnetics in Biology and Medicine

- K.1. Body-area networks
- K.2. Dosimetry and exposure assessment
- K.3. Electromagnetic and mixed-mode imaging and diagnostics
- K.4. Therapeutic and rehabilitative applications
- K.5. Implantable and ingestible devices
- K.6. Human-body interactions with antennas and other electromagnetic devices

AP-S Student Paper Competition

Eligible entries in the Student Paper Competition (SPC) must only have one student author and the student must be the first author. The student's primary academic advisor must respond to an email that will be sent to after the paper is submitted indicating that coauthor's contributions are primarily advisory. Detailed instructions are available on the conference website. For additional information, contact SPC Committee Chairs Amanda Malone, Felix Vega, and Tommaso Isernia at spc@2024.apsursi.org.

AP-S Student Design Contest

All students are encouraged to form teams and participate in the Student Design Contest. Each team should consist of two to five students, with at least 50% being undergraduate students. Detailed instructions may be found on the conference website. For additional information, contact Roberto Flamini (roberto.flaminil@huawei.com) or Glauco Fontgalland (designcontest2023@ieeeaps.org)

Short Courses/Workshops/Tutorials

Several short courses, workshops, and tutorials on topics of special and current interest will be solicited by the technical program committee an who wish to organize a short course, workshop, or tutorial should contact Jiro Hirokawa (jiro@ee.e.titech.ac.jp), Douglas H. Werner (dhw@psu.edu), Shen Zhongxian (ezxshen@ntu.edu.sg), or Konstantina Nikita (knikita@ece.ntua.gr)

Sponsorships/Exhibits

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Special Sessions

Requests to organize special sessions for the conference should be submitted to Koichi Ito (ito.koichi@faculty.chiba-u.jp) and Raffaele Solimene (raffaele.solimene@unicampania.it) no later than October 15, 2023. Details of submission are posted on the conference website. Special sessions will be selected and finalized by Nov. 15, 2023. At that time, additional instructions will be provided to the organizers of the special sessions chosen for inclusion in the conference. The associated papers or abstracts will be due January 21, 2024.

Social Program

The social program for the AP-S/URSI 2024 Florence Conference includes a Welcome Reception, Students' and Young Professionals' Reception, Diversity and Inclusion Events, and an Awards Presentation and Social Event. There will also be private tours available, as well as a rich Accompanying Persons/Families Program. We will help attendees obtain Childcare Services as needed. For additional information, contact Giovanna Zanello (giovanna.zanello@cnit.it), Joanne Wilton (jjwilton@mindspring.com) and Shelley Uslenghi (shelly uslenghi@yahoo.com)

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San Lorenzo Indoor Market Basilica della Santissima Annunziata

WITHIN A 15 MIN WALK Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore (Duomo)

Palazzo Strozzi

Museo del Novecento (Museum of the 20th Century)

WITHIN A 20 MIN WALK
Uffizi Gallery
Piazza della Signoria
Ponte Vecchio
Palazzo Pitti
Santa Croce

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