Call for Papers

------- Special Cluster on Antennas and Propagation Technologies in Conjunction with Main Topics of ISAP2016 -------

The IEICE Communications Express (ComEX) announces that it will publish a special cluster entitled “Special Cluster on Antennas and Propagation Technologies in Conjunction with Main Topics of ISAP2016” in June 2017. The objective of this special cluster is to report the advanced technologies on the antenna and propagation related to progressing technologies for 5G mobile communication systems, MIMO, PAN/BAN, and wireless power transmission and so on. The 2016 International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation (ISAP2016) will be held in Naha, Japan during October 24-28, 2016, which aims at providing an international forum for exchanging information on such progress of research and development in antennas, propagation, electromagnetic wave theory, and the related fields. By taking this opportunity, the special cluster has been planned to publish letters in cluster fashion, which aims to raise the interest of researchers in the field of antennas, propagation and the related topics. The special cluster seeks for submission particularly from, but not limited to, the authors of ISAP2016.

1. Scope
This special cluster aims at timely dissemination of research in these areas. Possible topics include, but are not limited to antennas and propagation technologies related to progressing technology for 5G mobile communication systems, MIMO, PAN/BAN, and wireless power transmission, so forth. The topics also include electromagnetic wave theory and its related topics including emerging topics for metamaterial, nano-electromagnetics, and its antenna application.

2. Submission Deadline
Two submission periods are prepared for this special cluster, and the deadlines are set as:
- **First deadline: December 8th, 2016 (JST)** (Submission will open about one month prior to the first deadline.)
- **Second deadline: January 18th, 2017 (JST)** (Submission will open on December 29th, 2016.)

3. Submission Instructions
The maximum number of words is 1500; the maximum number of items (Figures plus Tables) 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.

The notification of review evaluation for the letter submitted in the first submission period and that in the second one will be sent by December 28th, 2016 and February 8th, 2017, respectively. In the second period, prospective authors are allowed to submit a revised version of the manuscript which was rejected in the first submission period. In such a case, the authors are encouraged to indicate a manuscript ID assigned in the first submission period and to append a "Reply Letter" to expedite the review process. All the accepted papers will appear on the IEICE ComEX web site immediately as advance publication of the manuscripts posterior to the notification of acceptance. All of them will appear as a special cluster in ComEX web site on June 1st, 2017.

ComEX will accept only the letter type of manuscripts by electronic submission using one of the officially approved formats (LaTeX style file or Microsoft Word template). Submit a manuscript and electronic source files (LaTeX/Word files, figures) via the IEICE Web site https://review.ieice.org/regist regist baseinfo e.aspx. In this regard, authors should choose [on Antennas and Propagation Technologies in Conjunction with Main Topics of ISAP2016] as a “Journal/Section” on the online screen. Do not choose [Regular-XB].

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