



## Programmable Logic Controllers

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Dear Colleagues,

Programmable logic controllers (PLCs) form an important technological basis for manufacturing automation. In the era of the fourth Industrial revolution (Industry 4.0), PLCs must fulfill a range of requirements, resulting from new production conditions. However, programmable logic controllers will continue to be required to a considerable extent for the production of tomorrow in order to cut production costs, increase quality, etc. Programmable technology with multiprocessor systems-on-a-chip (MPSoC) brings new possibilities for constructing new PLCs, central processing units, function blocks, application-specific blocks, and others.

The purpose of this Special Issue is to provide a possibility for scientists and practitioners related to programmable logic controller to present their research.





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