



Advances in Detection and Tracking Applications for Drones and UAM Systems

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The proposed Special Issue aims to investigate innovative detection and tracking solutions that can be used for navigation, traffic management, traffic integration, detect-and-avoid, and surveillance purposes. Artificial Intelligence techniques can be used for proper data processing in simulated or real scenarios. Advances in on-board data processing for target detection and tracking aim to improve aerial vehicle performance or advanced payload tasks. Surveillance can be supported by properly designed ground systems and services also considering the Urban Air Mobility scenario under development.

We are pleased to invite original contributions and reviews. Topics can be related (but not limited) to the detection and tracking of targets and incoming traffic for navigation, traffic management, traffic integration, detection and tracking of Unmanned Aerial Systems for surveillance, detect-and-avoid, Urban Air Mobility applications and services, innovative image processing and sensor fusion, advanced solutions based on electro-optical, radar and/or lidar.

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