







an Open Access Journal by MDPI

# **IoT Technologies and the Agricultural Value Chain**

Guest Editors:

#### Prof. Dr. Francisco Rodríguez

System Engineering and Automatic Control, Department of Informatics, University of Almería, 04120 Almería, Spain

## Dr. Jorge Antonio Sánchez-Molina

System Engineering and Automatic Control, Department of Informatics, University of Almería, 04120 Almería, Spain

### Dr. Cynthia Giagnocavo

Department of Economy and Business, University of Almería, 04120 Almería, Spain

Deadline for manuscript submissions:

closed (10 May 2021)

# **Message from the Guest Editors**

The agricultural value chain is increasingly complex as it involves numerous activities in growing production planning, handling and markets, IoT implementation presents some benefits to the different actors and activities along the supply and value chain in terms of improved resource use, less waste, better data access and sharing, synchronization, reduced storage and cost, and enhanced consumer information access. Intensive use of ICT involving a large amount of data, intelligent and soft or virtual sensors, control loops, communication networks, storage and cloud services. As such, new business models and value propositions are necessary to reflect and leverage improved processes and products and the overall transformation of agri-food activities through IoT.

Papers included in this Special Issue will address the following areas:

IoT systems development; Precision farming; System integration and interoperability; Data models; IoT networks; Intelligent sensors; IoT sensors; Visualization interfaces; Decision support systems and data-driven decisions; Virtual–soft sensors; IoT-based business models; Data sharing; IoT-based control systems; Robotics; Mechatronics













an Open Access Journal by MDPI

# **Editor-in-Chief**

## Prof. Dr. Vittorio M. N. Passaro

Dipartimento di Ingegneria Elettrica e dell'Informazione (Department of Electrical and Information Engineering), Politecnico di Bari, Via Edoardo Orabona n. 4, 70125 Bari, Italy

# **Message from the Editor-in-Chief**

Sensors is a leading journal devoted to fast publication of the latest achievements of technological developments and scientific research in the huge area of physical, chemical and biochemical sensors, including remote sensing and sensor networks. Both experimental and theoretical papers are published, including all aspects of sensor design, technology, proof of concept and application. Sensors organizes Special Issues devoted to specific sensing areas and applications each year.

### **Author Benefits**

**Open Access:** free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

**High Visibility:** indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), PubMed, MEDLINE, PMC, Ei Compendex, Inspec, Astrophysics Data System, and other databases. **Journal Rank:** JCR - Q2 (*Instruments & Instrumentation*) / CiteScore - Q1

(Instrumentation)

### **Contact Us**