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IEEE Sensors Journal Special Issue on *Internet of Things: Architecture, Protocols and Services*

The Internet of Things was “Born” between 2008 and 2009, when the number of things connected to the Internet exceeded the number of people connected. By 2020, several tens of billions of devices are predicted to be connected. It is envisioned that the physical things/devices will be outfitted with different kinds of sensors and actuators and connected to the Internet via heterogeneous access networks enabled by technologies such as embedded sensing and actuating, radio frequency identification (RFID), wireless sensor networks, real-time and semantic web services, etc. IoT is actually a network of networks with many unique characteristics.

With the huge number of things/objects and sensors/actuators connected to the Internet, a massive and in some cases real-time data flow will be automatically produced by connected things and sensors. It is important to collect correct raw data in an efficient way; but more important is to analyze and mine the raw data to abstract more valuable information such as correlations among things and services to provide web of things or Internet of services. However many challenges and problems remain unsolved as of now or not fully addressed due to the unique features of IoT systems. First, IoT needs an appropriate architecture such as a service-oriented, a content-centric, or a thing-centric architecture. Second, it is truly challenging to design efficient protocols to cater for diverse IoT devices, sensors and services. The goal of this special issue of *IEEE Sensors Journal* is to feature latest advances and directions in IoT architecture, protocols and services for typical IoT use cases (such as smart grid, connected cars, smart cities, etc), their performance, impact, demands and implications on future Internet design.

The emphasis of this special issue will be on the sensor aspects of IoT.

Scope

Papers should contain original results or review/tutorial content to be accessible to general audiences working in the field. Topics of interest are listed, but not limited to, as follows:

- Sensors in scalable IoT architecture
- Mobile and participatory sensor networks for IoT
- Wireless sensor networks for IoT
- Sensing and actuating as an IoT service
- Sensor network virtualization
- IoT identification, addressing and naming schemes
- Sensor communications protocols for IoT: energy efficiency, security & privacy, autonomous management
- IoT sensor data collection, management and analytics
- Semantic sensor services for IoT
- Cloud computing and services for IoT
- Big sensor data for IoT
- New IoT applications and use cases
- IoT test-beds in realistic environments
- IoT standardization

Submissions Guideline

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Schedule

- **Submissions deadline:** January 31, 2013
- **Author notifications:** April 31, 2013
- **Final manuscripts due:** June 15, 2013
- **Publication date:** September, 2013

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