

# Call for Papers for *Ad-hoc and Sensor Networks Symposium*

## **Scope and Motivation:**

An ad-hoc network is a system of wireless nodes dynamically self-organizing in arbitrary and temporary network topologies. Nodes in an ad-hoc network can communicate without a pre-existing communication infrastructure. In recent years, ad-hoc networks have been attracting increased attention from the research and engineering communities, motivated by applications like digital battlefield, asset tracking, air-borne safety, situational awareness, and border protection. Such networks are designed to operate in widely varying environments. Therefore, dynamic topologies, bandwidth constraints, energy-constrained operations, wireless vulnerabilities, and limited physical security are among the characteristics that differentiate mobile ad-hoc networks from fixed multi-hop networks.

A Wireless Sensor Network (WSN) is a wireless network consisting of large populations of spatially distributed sensor nodes to cooperatively monitor physical or environmental conditions. Wireless sensor networks have many useful applications such as hostile environment surveillance, industrial process monitoring, environment and habitat monitoring, healthcare applications, home automation, and traffic control. Recently, we have experienced an immense growth of interest on exciting concepts such as the Internet of Things (IoT), the Smart Cities and the Machine-to-Machine Communications (M2M) mainly focused on the 5th Generation (5G) Mobile Systems.

Both ad-hoc and sensor networks are characterized by their dynamic nature, which requires them to be adaptive to changes in the application environment, task objectives, and topological changes, among others. There is a growing number of real applications using wireless ad-hoc and sensor networks, and these applications are being taken seriously by the industries. As a result, the last few years have witnessed the development of many innovative solutions for ad-hoc and sensor networks that are maturing to the level of commercialization and standardization. However, numerous challenges remain for the implementation of practical solutions that operate robustly, securely, and efficiently.

The Ad-hoc and Sensor Networks Symposium of Globecom 2016 aims at providing a forum for sharing ideas among researchers and practitioners working on state-of-the-art solutions related to ad-hoc and sensor networks.



## Main Topics of Interest:

The Ad-hoc and Sensor Networks Symposium of Globecom 2016 is soliciting papers that describe original and unpublished contributions. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Wireless sensor and actuator networks
- New and unconventional applications of ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Novel paradigms, architectures and operation models of ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Protocols, architectures and applications for the Internet of Things
- Machine-to-Machine (M2M) communications in ad hoc networks
- Wireless multimedia and 3-D sensor networks
- Underwater and underground sensor networks
- Body Area sensor networks
- Cognitive radio networks in multi-hop environments
- Multi-hop wireless mesh and community networks
- Wireless PANs
- Pervasive and wearable computing
- RFID systems
- Delay-tolerant ad-hoc networks
- Self-organization and autonomic networking
- Vehicular ad hoc networks
- Co-existence issues of hybrid networks
- Wireless, ad-hoc, and sensor devices
- Ultra-wide band technology for ad-hoc and sensor networks
- MAC protocols for ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Frequency and channel allocation algorithms for ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Quality of Service provision and management in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Standardization activities for ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Energy saving and power control protocols for ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Energy scavenging technologies
- Service discovery in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Location and context aware services in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Scheduling and resource management algorithms in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Deployment and coverage analysis of sensor networks
- Localization in ad-hoc networks
- Routing and multicasting protocols in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Topology control and management
- Sensor fusion and synergy
- In-network processing and data storage
- Fault-tolerance and traffic reliability issues in ad-hoc and sensor networks



- Cross-layer design and optimization in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Mobility management and modeling in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Synchronization and coordination techniques in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Security for ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Participatory and public sensing systems
- Performance evaluation and modeling in ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Simulation methodologies and tools for wireless ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Integrated simulation and measurement based evaluation for ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Experimental prototypes and testbeds for ad-hoc and sensor networks
- Decentralized combinatorial optimization in ad-hoc and sensor networks

### **Sponsoring Technical Committees:**

- Ad-hoc and Sensor Networks Technical Committee
- Wireless Communications

### **How to Submit a Paper:**

The IEEE Globecom 2016 website provides full instructions on how to submit papers. You will select the desired symposium when submitting. **The paper submission deadline is April 1, 2016.** Submissions will be accepted through EDAS. All submissions must be written in English and be at most six (6) printed pages in length, including figures. **Unlike recent ICC's and Globecom's, this is a hard deadline that will not be extended.**

### **Symposium Co-Chairs:**

- Cheng Li, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada
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- Cailian Chen, Shanghai Jiaotong University, China
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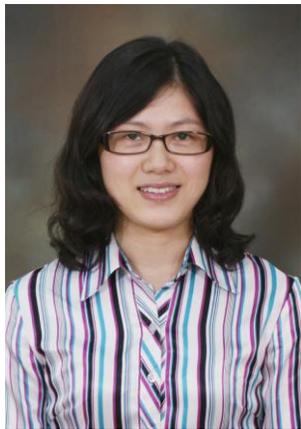
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