# **Call for Contributions**

Submission: 1. Inform the Chair: with the Title of your Contribution 2. Submission URL: <u>https://www.iariasubmit.org/conferences/submit/newcontribution.php?event=SPACOMM+2018+Special</u> Please select Track Preference as SFSO

## **Special track**

# **SFSO: Satellite and Free Space Optical Communications**

**Chair and Coordinator:** 

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along with

SPACOMM 2018, The Tenth International Conference on Advances in Satellite and Space Communications April 22, 2018 to April 26, 2018 - Athens, Greece http://www.iaria.org/conferences2018/SPACOMM18.html

The rapid growth of satellite constellations, enabled by the increasing availability of small-sized and lowcost satellites, can provide global real-time remote sensing and communications. Data intensive satellite sensors produce a large amount of information to be transmitted to the ground in a short time, which requires highcapacity communications. Information security is also becoming an urgent issue in satellite constellations, because the amount of critical and valuable data to be communicated is increasing.

Free Space Optical communications (FSO) have evolved as a promising alternative for high capacity data links from space, due to the unregulated spectrum, ultra-low inter-channel interference and featuring smaller and lighter terminals. Free Space Optical Communications combined with a quantum receiver provide a requisite platform for intrinsically hack-proof secure communication, known as Quantum Key Distribution (QKD). Free Space Optical Communications can be used for satellite-to-satellite cross-links, up-and-down links between space platforms and aircraft, ships, and other ground platforms, and among mobile and stationary terminals within the atmosphere.

The main objective of this track is to explore the landscape of high-capacity secured FSO communications for the development of future satellite networks, such as a) Inter-satellite optical communications, b) Ground-to-satellite optical communications, c) Atmospheric turbulent optical channel, d) Optical Antenna, e) modulation and coding, f) Acquisition, Tracking and Pointing, g) passive corner-reflector satellites to receive single photons, h) quantum key distribution (QKD), and i) quantum-limited coherent communication.

Prospective authors are invited to submit original papers on topics including, but not limited to:

- Free-space optical communications
- Inter-satellite optical cross-links
- Optical up-and-down links between satellites, ground, and aircraft
- Acquisition, Tracking and Pointing
- Optical Antenna,
- MEMS, Beam steering
- Reconfiguration, software defined networks
- Turbulent atmospheric optical channel
- Adaptive Optics

- Beam Shaping
- Latency, Efficiency, Mobility and Bandwidth
- Coherent Optical Communications
- Quantum Key Distribution (QKD)
- Free Space Quantum Optical Communications

## **Important Datelines**

- Inform the Chairs: As soon as you decided to contribute
- Submission: January 17, 2018 February 28, 2018
- Notification: February 22, 2018 March 5, 2018
- Registration: March 8, 2018 March 10, 2018
- Camera ready: March 15, 2018 March 20, 2018

Note: These deadlines are somewhat flexible, providing arrangements are made ahead of time with the chair.

## **Contribution Types**

- Regular papers [in the proceedings, digital library]
- Short papers (work in progress) [in the proceedings, digital library]
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- Registration fees are available at http://www.iaria.org/registration.html

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