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**Special track**

**OptDCCA: Optical Networking for Data Center and Computing Applications**

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To overcome the bandwidth bottleneck of electrical switches in data center networks and high-performance computing networks, switching the traffic in the optical domain has been considerably investigated as a future-proof solution supplying unlimited bandwidth. To date, many optical switch solutions have been investigated, exploiting various building blocks, such as 3D MEMS, LCoS display matrices, Mach-Zehnder interferometers, tunable lasers and AWGRs, and SOAs. Despite the promises held by the optical switching technology, the practical implementation of the optical switching networks is facing several challenges, such as the large-port switch design, fast optical switch control, reconfigurable optical network, and packet contention resolution, as well as the fast implementation of the software-defined optical network.

This track will embrace the recent developments to overcome the aforementioned challenges, which will provide quick expertise on the most recent optical switch technologies for researchers, senior graduates, and post-graduate students, professionals working in the telecommunications industry.

**Topics include, but not limited to:**

- Optical switch design and fabrication;
- Optical switching architectures in DCN and HPC;
- Optical packet contention resolution;
- Fast optical switch control; Flexible control scheduling;
- Software-defined optical networking.

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