

## Call for Papers

## Announcing a Special Issue of the IEEE JOURNAL OF SELECTED TOPICS IN QUANTUM ELECTRONICS on Photonics for Industry 4.0

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Light Sciences and Technologies (Photonics) will play a relevant role in the envisioned Smart Factory of the fourth Industrial revolution (Industry 4.0). The IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Quantum Electronics (JSTQE) invites manuscript submissions in Photonics for Industry 4.0 which concerns with the automatic collection of data from machines, processes, applications, and transforming that data into immediate insights. Design, simulation, fabrication equipment and processes, on-line failure detection, quality control, safety and security, and storage, among others, must be all integrated in a factory system. Smart factories must be driven by intelligence on demand.

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- A) Light Based Advanced Communications for Industry 4.0: 1-Devices, Subsystems, Systems and Networks based on Optical technologies (for low-latency and low-jitter local-area and wide-area networking; for accommodating large numbers of small end-users; architectures enabling autonomy and security in Industry 4.0 applications; highly reliable optical communication systems and networks for robust and safe manufacturing environments). 2-Microwave Photonics. 3-Reliable and High-Speed Optical Wireless technologies such as LiFi. 4-Hybrid-Technology Communication Systems and Networks (e.g. optical/wireless).
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- C) Light Based Advanced Manufacturing. Material welding and material treatments for Digital Laser Advanced Manufacturing: 10-Laser Additive and Subtractive advanced fabrication (3D two-photon polymerization, isomerization; multiphoton lithography, printing hybrid devices by laser, selective laser sintering, laser subtractive manufacturing, laser forward transfer). 11-Laser Materials Advanced Treatments (surface functionalization, refraction index custom functionalization on/in optical materials, materials welding, laser-based hybrid processing, modeling of laser-material processes for quantitative prediction of critical parameters). 12-Emerging Ultrafast Laser Technologies and Systems for advanced fabrication.
- D) Transversal Topics for Photonics in Industry 4.0: 13- Hybrid Optical Technologies combining communications with metrology, sensing, or materials processing. 14- Automation and the Role of the Cloud in light-based technologies. 15-Artificial Intelligence, AI, for optical communications, sensors, sensor networks, and advanced manufacturing. 16-Augmented Reality, AR, for Industry 4.0.

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