CALL FOR PAPERS

BalkanCom 2023

Sixth International Balkan Conference on Communications and Networking İstanbul, Türkiye, June 5-8, 2023

Towards 6G at the Crossroads of Civilization: Connected Intelligence and Sensing





BalkanCom is a premier technical conference in communications and networking in the Balkan region. The goal of BalkanCom is to bring together researchers in academia, research labs and industry from all over the world to the historical region of the Balkans.

BalkanCom 2023, with the theme Towards 6G at the Crossroads of Civilizations: Connected Intelligence and Sensing continues the best tradition of scientific conferences of being completely not for profit. The sixth edition of the conference, technically sponsored by the IEEE ComSoc Turkey Chapter, will take place on 5-8 June 2023 in İstanbul, Türkiye.

We solicit technical papers describing original, completed, and unpublished work not currently under review by any other journal/magazine/conference. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Communication and information theory
- 5G and beyond 5G/6G networks
- Next-generation networking and Internet
- Mobile and wireless networks
- IoT and sensor networks
- Artificial intelligence-enabled networks
- Machine learning for communications and networking
- Signal processing for communications
- Millimeter wave and Terahertz communications
- Reconfigurable intelligent surfaces and smart environments
- Full-duplex techniques
- Integrated sensing and communications
- Satellite and space communications
- Mobile edge computing and edge AI
- Wireless power transfer and energy harvesting communications
- Cloud computing, networking and storage
- Cross-layer modeling, design, and optimization
- Software defined networking
- Digital broadcasting and multimedia
- Communication and information system security
- Smart grid communications and power line communications
- Blockchain technology for communications
- Social networks
- Connected car, automotive, intelligent transportation
- Big Data
- e-Health
- Molecular, biological and multi-scale communications
- Quantum communications

Submission Guidelines:

Submissions must be full papers, no longer than 6 pages in IEEE double-column format, including Merouane Debbah, Technology Innovation Institute, Abu Dhabi, UAE figures and references, and submitted via EDAS. Accepted papers will be submitted for inclusion into IEEE Xplore subject to meeting IEEE Xplore's scope and quality requirements.

Important Dates:

Paper submission deadline: 15 February 2023 Notification of acceptance: 20 April 2023 Camera-ready papers due: 1 May 2023

Best papers will be invited for a special issue of the ITU-JFET Journal and a special issue of the Elsevier Ad Hoc Networks Journal.

General Chairs

Özgür Gürbüz, Sabancı University, Türkiye Sotiris Nikoletseas, University of Patras, Greece Christos Liaskos, University of Ioanina, Greece

Vice General Chairs

Enrico Natalizio, Technology Innovation Institute, UAE Mihael Mohorcic, Jozef Stefan Institute, Slovenia

Technical Program Chairs

Pelin Angın, Middle East Technical University, Türkiye Zoran Hadzi-Velkov, Ss Cyril and Methodius University, MK Galia Marinova, Technical University-Sofia, Bulgaria

Publications Chairs

Mirsad Cosovic, University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina Kenan Turbic, RWTH Aachen University, Germany

Publicity Chairs

Alexandros-Apostokos Boulogeorgos, University of West.

Jennifer Simonjan, Technology Innovation Institute, UAE Nertil Zhuri, Barleti University, Albania

Student Session Chairs

Bige Ünlütürk, Michigan State University, USA Eirini Eleni Tsiropoulou, University of New Mexico, USA

Panels Chairs

Liljana Gavrilovska, Ss Cyril and Methodius University, MK Wolfgang Gerstacker, Friedrich-Alexander University, Germany

Tutorials Chairs

Dejan Vukobratovic, University of Novi Sad, Serbia Sasa Mrdovic, University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina **Local Arrangements Chairs**

Albert Levi, Sabancı University, Türkiye Pınar Sarısaray Bölük, Bahçeşehir University, Türkiye Ece Gelal Soyak, Bahçeşehir University, Türkiye

Finance Chairs

Ilir Capuni, University of Montenegro & Barleti University, Albania Mustafa Alper Akkas, Abant İzzet Baysal University, Türkiye

Web Chairs

Ahan Kak, Nokia Bell Labs, USA Bujar Krasniqi, University of Prishtina, Kosovo Mikail Erdem, Sabancı University, Türkiye

Sponsors Chairs

Fatih Alagöz, Boğaziçi University, Türkiye

Steering Committee

Ian F. Akyildiz, Truva Inc., USA

Ilir Capuni, University of Montenegro & Barleti University, Albania Liljiana Gavrilovska, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University, MK

Edward Knightly, Rice University, USA Enrico Natalizio, LORIA/University of Lorraine, France Milica Pejanovic, University of Podgorica, Montenegro Harold Vincent Poor, Princeton University, USA Petar Popovski, Aalborg University, Denmark Ness Shroff, The Ohio State University, USA



