Special Session

Title

*Human Machine Interfaces and Haptics*

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SMC Society Member, Robotics and Intelligent Sensing Technical Committee

**Category**

Systems Science and Engineering

**Number of Expected Paper Submissions:**

*6 or more*
Keywords
- Robotic Systems
- Human-Machine Interface
- Human-Machine Cooperation and Systems
- Virtual and Augmented Reality Systems
- Haptics
- Tele-robotics
- Tele-presence

Brief Description and Justification (200-250 words):
Research in the areas of haptics, virtual reality and augmented reality has recently seen great progress, and made significant contributions to the related science, technology, and application domains. In parallel, significant progress has been made on research and development yielding a variety of component technologies for tele-robotics, tele-presence and tele-haptics that enable more complex and capable robotic and/or unmanned systems. This special session will report research results in the field of human machine interfaces and haptics systems, including as applied to robotics and intelligent sensing including relevance to the conference theme – “Integrating real world, virtual models, and society.” This special session will provide the opportunity for researchers from academia, industry, and government to present their latest work, share ideas and establish contacts with other researchers in their field.