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Safe, Efficient and Sustainable Autonomous Maritime Transportation System

Message from the Guest Editor

There is a rapid increase in digitalization and automation in maritime transport, including the use of artificial intelligence (AI) to increase the safety and efficiency of maritime operations. Consequently, developing autonomous maritime transportation systems (vessels and other systems used in vessel traffic monitoring, control, and management) brings challenges and opportunities in terms of security, performance, safety, sustainability, and compliance with regulatory frameworks. For example, there is increasing pressure on vessel operators and owners to comply with CO₂ emission regulations, such as CII, EU ITS, etc. This Special Issue calls for innovative contributions in using data science and artificial intelligence to improve the safety and efficiency of autonomous maritime transportation systems, including compliance with emerging frameworks for reducing the maritime carbon footprint. **Keywords:** autonomous vessels; safe navigation; efficient navigation; sustainable navigation; compliance with maritime regulation.

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