

## Special Issue

# 5G Networks: Optimization, Machine Learning And Blockchain Technologies

### Message from the Guest Editors

We invite researchers to contribute original papers describing the design of 5G Networks as well as machine learning techniques and blockchain technologies. Potential topics include but are not limited to the following:

- Network planning for 5G networks;
- Massive MIMO;
- Optimization methods for 5G networks;
- User association in 5G networks;
- Spectrum usage and allocation for 5G;
- Green 5G networks;
- Cognitive radio networks for 5G;
- IoT and IoMM in 5G networks;
- Multimedia-centric VR/AR service and technology in 5G networks;
- Network planning for 5G;
- Antenna design for 5G Networks;
- Physical layer security in 5G Networks;
- Blockchain backbone network and protocols for 5G networks;
- Smart contracts for 5G networks;
- Blockchain platforms and testbeds for 5G;
- Security and privacy issues of blockchain technologies for 5G networks;
- Blockchain applications for 5G networks;
- Blockchain use case scenarios for 5G networks;
- Blockchain business models in 5G;
- Blockchain technology for 5G management and control.

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