## **Special Issue**

## Novel Approaches and Applications in Human-Robot Interactions

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The topics of interest for this Special Issue include, but are not limited to, the following:

- The role of co-speech gestures in enhancing robot social interactions;
- Novel interaction paradigms between humans and robots;
- Collaborative and assistive robots in healthcare, education, and industry;
- Human trust, ethics, and decision-making in autonomous systems;
- Adaptive systems and personalized robot behaviors;
- Safety and risk management in human-robot environments;
- Emotional and social aspects of HRIs, including nonverbal communication;
- Human-Al teamwork and collaboration frameworks:
- Advances in robot perception, learning, and communication for improved HRIs;
- User experience and usability studies in HRI design.

We invite contributions that include both theoretical insights and practical applications, with validation through user studies, simulations, or real-world deployment.

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