

## Special Issue

# Artificial Intelligence in Drone and UAV

### Message from the Guest Editor

To fully harness the potential of drones, AI-driven support and automation are essential at all stages of operation—before, during, and after the completion of the flight. Therefore, this Special Issue seeks creative research contributions that explore recent advancements in AI for enhancing the efficiency, effectiveness, and safety of drone applications. Relevant topics include, but are not limited to, flight path optimization, obstacle avoidance systems, simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM), drone swarm coordination, point cloud registration, and real-time or post-processed semantic information extraction. Submissions are welcome from a wide range of domains and applications.

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