

## Special Issue

# Autonomous Systems in Cyber-Physical Systems and Smart Industry: Innovations and Challenges, 2nd Edition

### Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue is a continuation of our previous Special Issue "Autonomous Systems in Cyber-Physical Systems and Smart Industry: Innovations and Challenges". Autonomous systems are emerging as game-changers in the realm of Cyber-Physical Systems (CPSs) and Smart Industry, revolutionizing how industries operate and interact with the physical world. This Special Issue is dedicated to exploring the integration and impact of autonomous systems within the CPS framework. We invite contributions that delve into the design, development, and deployment of Self-\* capabilities in CPSs and industrial applications. Topics of interest include autonomous manufacturing, logistics, predictive maintenance, AI (artificial intelligence), machine learning in industrial processes, and autonomous decision-making processes. We also welcome research on the challenges and opportunities presented by autonomous systems, such as safety, reliability, security, privacy, and ethical considerations. Join us in uncovering the transformative potential of autonomous systems in shaping the future of Smart Industry.

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