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Emerging Technologies for Harnessing the Fourth Industrial Revolution in the Energy and Mineral Industries

Message from the Guest Editor

The Fourth Industrial Revolution provides new ways in which technology can become embedded within societies and even the human body. As the Fourth Industrial Revolution gathers pace, innovations are becoming faster, more efficient, and more widely accessible than before. Technology is also becoming increasingly connected; in particular, there are emerging technologies including the Internet of Things (IoT), cloud computing, big data analytics, mobile and wearable devices, augmented and virtual realities, 3D printing, robotics, autonomous vehicles, and artificial intelligence (AI) breakthroughs in various fields. This Special Issue aims at encouraging researchers to address the emerging technologies for harnessing the Fourth Industrial Revolution in the energy and mineral industries. Articles providing examples of the improvements brought by the emerging technologies in the energy and mineral sectors can be included.

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