

Special Issue

New Security and Privacy Challenges in Industrial Internet of Things

Message from the Guest Editor

The Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) is a dynamic and emerging trend aimed at employing Internet of Things technologies in industrial processes, especially for automation and data analytics aspects. As an evolution of cyber-physical systems, IIoT systems are nowadays considered as key enablers for the so-called Industry 4.0 revolution. The objective of IIoT is usually to boost competitiveness by providing for ubiquitous connectivity to industrial facilities, but also by improving the decision support systems with better and more comprehensive data analytics. In this sense, IIoT includes notable areas of application such as smart factories, smart logistics, and smart lifecycle management. Despite their potentials, IIoT deployments are exposed to many security risks at all levels of the communication stack. Moreover, they often treat personal data, for example, data regarding customers or employees, that must be processed according to privacy constraints. This Special Issue of MDPI Journal *Applied Sciences* aims at attracting original research contributions and SoKs regarding security and privacy challenges and solutions for IIoT environments.

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