



Unconventional Drone-Based Surveying 2nd Edition

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Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue aims to collect papers addressing all kinds of problems encountered in unconventional drone-based surveying. Given that any type of sensor can be considered, with no limits other than the condition that the operations must be performed safely (including, but not limited to, cameras for Structure-from-Motion photogrammetry (SfM); thermal infrared sensors; multispectral or hyperspectral sensors; compact LiDAR; microphones; and sonars). The term "drone" refers to any unmanned object that can be used for surveying, thus encompassing Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs), Unmanned Surface Vehicles (USVs) (whether a boat or even a terrestrial vehicle), Unmanned Underwater Vehicles (UUVs), and even an element of a system in which two or more of these types of drones, or even of drones different types (e.g., UAVs and USVs), jointly operate.

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