Special Issue

Unmanned Traffic Management Systems

Message from the Guest Editors

Unmanned Traffic Management (UTM) describes a new traffic management ecosystem that will safely coordinate low-altitude drone operations. The main challenge is to create the technologies, procedures, and services for a resilient, scalable and sustainable UTM that can integrate with the current aviation ecosystem. This Special Issue aims at collecting new developments, methodologies, best practices and innovations in Unmanned Traffic Management (UTM). We welcome submissions that provide the most recent advancements on all aspects of UTM, including, but not limited to: Suggested themes and article types for submissions:

- Airspace Management (inc. design, modelling and optimisation);
- Automated Services (inc. authorisation, flight planning, coordination and flow management, conformance);
- Drone Navigation, Surveillance and Communication (inc. performance-based approaches);
- Strategic and Tactical Mitigation Services;
- Data and Information Management (inc. storage, exchange/sharing and visualisation);
- Risk, Safety and Regulation.

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