## **Special Issue**

# Advances in Deep Learning for Drones and Its Applications

#### Message from the Guest Editors

Drones, especially vertical takeoff and landing (VTOL) platforms, are extremely popular and useful for many tasks. Within this context, we thus invite papers focusing on current advances in the area of deep learning for field aerial robots for submission to this Special Issue. Papers are solicited on all areas directly related to these topics, including but not limited to the following:

- Large-scale aerial datasets and standardized benchmarks for the training, testing, and evaluation of deep-learning solutions
- Deep neural networks (DNN) for field aerial robot perception
- Recurrent networks for state estimation and dynamic identification of aerial vehicles
- Deep-reinforcement learning for aerial robots (discrete-, or continuous-control) in dynamic environments
- Learning-based aerial manipulation in cluttered environments
- Decision making or task planning using machine learning for field aerial robots
- Data analytics and real-time decision making with aerial robots-in-the-loop
- Aerial robots in agriculture using deep learning
- Aerial robots in inspection using deep learning

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