# **Special Issue**

# Advances in Civil Applications of Unmanned Aircraft Systems

# Message from the Guest Editors

In the last few years, the use of unmanned aircraft systems (UASs), also known as drones, has rapidly increased. The cost reduction of these systems, coupled with their ability to reach difficult to access areas make them the perfect tools for performing different civil applications. In addition, several payloads for different purposes have been developed in recent years, thus introducing these systems into many new fields. Motivated by this rapid development, we are excited to invite you to submit a research paper to the Special Issue of *Drones* titled "Advances in Civil Applications of Unmanned Aircraft Systems". The aim of this Special Issue is to showcase new innovations presented in unmanned aircraft systems in civil applications, demonstrating their impact in areas such as surveying, infrastructure inspections, mining, precision agriculture, forest management, surveillance. and cargo/logistics. Their applications include drones in different configurations, i.e., fixed-wing, rotary wing, or vertical take-off and landing. Original submissions aligned with the above-mentioned research areas are highly welcomed.

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