

Special Issue

Localization, Mapping and SLAM in Marine and Underwater Environments

Message from the Guest Editors

The use of robots for field applications in underwater and marine environments is rapidly growing. Tasks such as shipwreck recovery, ocean exploration, biological sampling, and industrial infrastructure inspection, among others, can be achieved thanks to underwater and marine robots. All these tasks have one common requirement: to properly model the environment and estimate the robots' poses. Even though several mapping and SLAM methods exist, marine and underwater environments have some particularities that need to be taken into account. The purpose of this Special Issue is to publish innovative research and application-oriented work related to underwater and marine localization and environment modelling. Papers related (but not limited) to the following topics will be taken into consideration:

- Marine and underwater localization and SLAM:
 - Visual;
 - Acoustic;
 - Laser based.
- Marine and underwater exploration and mapping:
 - Map building;
 - 3D ocean floor reconstruction;
 - Mosaicking;
 - Object and scene recognition.
- Marine and underwater multi-robot and multi-session localization, mapping, and SLAM.

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