FOREWORD

Special Section on Emerging Communication Technologies in Conjunction with Main Topics of ICETC2020

This special section contains the recent research works based on the papers and the presentations in the 2020 International Conference on Emerging Technologies for Communications (ICETC2020), which is the first international conference on all the technical fields covered by the IEICE Communication Society. The ICETC 2020 was held as a virtual conference on December 2nd–4th, 2020. The objectives of the conference and this special section were synergistic effects beyond the technical fields, expansion of research areas, and development of young researchers.

For this section, 23 high-quality papers were received, and 14 papers were accepted. This includes three invited papers, discussing the technology trends in ICETC 2020, the two fundamental technologies toward new network service and infrastructure, and 11 papers that address the latest technologies in the field by the IEICE Communications Society.

The editorial committee members sincerely appreciate all authors and reviewers for their contributions to this special section. We hope that the published studies will promote further achievements.

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