## **FOREWORD**

## Special Section on Multiple-Valued Logic and VLSI Computing

Welcome to this Special Section on "Multiple-Valued Logic and VLSI Computing." The papers in this section are extended versions of the abstracts presented at the IEEE CS 50th International Symposium on Multiple-Valued Logic (ISMVL 2020), which was organized by hybrid style, i.e., on site and web meeting. This was held in Miyazaki, Japan on November 9–16, 2020, and includes a substantial amount of information beyond the video presentations. The purpose of this Special Section is to share an overview of recent research progress in various aspects relating to post-binary and non-standard VLSI computing paradigm with many readers of this transaction, who are interested in innovative new-concept-based VLSI computing and its applications. This Special Section consists of eleven contributed papers. The contributed first authors are from 9 Japanese and 2 Serbian. Their contributed papers cover a broad range from logic design, VLSI architecture, VLSI circuit implementations and soft computing applications to Medicine. We would like to thank all the authors for their efforts in preparing the manuscripts, and the reviewers who worked diligently to make sure that the papers are worth publication.

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