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Title of Session

Intelligent Navigation and Advanced Information Fusion Technology

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Yulong Huang is the Professor at the College of Intelligent Science and Engineering, Harbin Engineering University, the Deputy Director of Heilongjiang Engineering Laboratory of Navigation Instruments. He has been devoted to the long-term research of intelligent navigation and intelligent information fusion. Huang Yulong has published more than 60 papers as the first author or the corresponding

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Details of Session

Navigation technology provides accurate position, velocity and attitude information for the unmanned system, which is the key to determine whether it can reach the predetermined location accurately, complete the task smoothly and return safely. It has always been a research hotspot in the field of unmanned systems. In recent years, with the continuous development of the principle and manufacturing technology of navigation sensors, a large number of low-cost, small size, low power consumption, and intelligent navigation sensors have been developed, which provides the possibility for obtaining different types of navigation data. We encounter the challenge how to obtain reliable and high-accuracy estimates of navigation parameters from multi-navigation sensor data in the complex operation environment of unmanned systems. This special session will discuss the latest progress and important breakthrough of intelligent navigation and advanced information fusion technology, and promote the communication and development of unmanned system navigation. It is planned to invite many original and novel high-level academic papers, mainly including the following research topics (but not limited to the following topics):

- 1. Inertial navigation, satellite navigation, acoustic navigation, integrated navigation and other traditional navigation technologies;
- 2. All source navigation, cooperative navigation, visual inertial navigation, SLAM and other intelligent navigation technologies;
- 3. Multi-sensor information fusion, distributed estimation, state estimation and other advanced information fusion technologies;
- 4. Machine learning technologies in navigation fields, such as variational learning, Gaussian process learning, and deep learning.