Advancements and Future Trends In Modern Antenna Systems For Communications and Sensors

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Many aspects of our lives are recently becoming more dependent on wireless technology. This trend is exemplified by the massive investment in current and future endeavours, such as 5G, 6G technologies, internet of things (IOT) which are enabling fundamentally new applications. A common denominator in many of these new applications is the antenna, which forms the “eyes and ears” of many systems. New developments for advancing the state of the art in antenna technology and associated microwave and millimeter wave circuits to meet future challenges will be needed.

This talk will address some current and new emerging directions of research in antenna systems. This will include new fundamental approaches for antenna analysis, the near fields and electromagnetic energy around antenna systems, and possible implications on future antenna systems design, in what is expected to be an increasingly crowded electromagnetic environment. The talk will also briefly address the importance and impact of this research on engineering education. Finally, a brief introduction of the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society and available opportunities for research and engineering education will be addressed.
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