

Editorial



TELFOR is the abbreviation for the Telecommunications Forum, a long lasting scientific, engineering and professional event which started in 1993 in Belgrade, Serbia. Year 2012 is the twentieth anniversary of TELFOR, being quite an impressive result for any scientific conference. Initial idea was to establish a new modest national scientific conference in Telecommunications and related areas. During the years, that idea evolved in such a way that today TELFOR is a huge regional international conference, having also its several other parallel tracks, like special presentations of companies, presentations and papers of invited experts, exhibition of telecommunications hardware, software, systems and services, then seminars, tutorials, round tables, etc. During TELFOR's existence several thousands of scientific papers were presented and published, quite a number of them being with a considerable quality and important results. Having such resources at disposal, establishing a new scientific journal, the TELFOR Journal, was a very natural next step for several reasons:

- Authors with favourable TELFOR reviewers' assessments would have additional chances to improve and expand their initial ideas;
- Editorial board would have a wide set of prospective invited authors;
- After some time of existence, one could expect that TELFOR Journal would attract independent authors to submit their papers to be considered for publishing.

The history of TELFOR Journal is not a very long one. The first volume consisting of two issues was published during the TELFOR 2009 conference in November 2009. That first volume of the Journal was intended to present a selection of the improved and expanded versions of the best scientific papers presented at Telecommunications Forum 2008.

The second volume of the TELFOR Journal, again with two issues, was electronically published before the TELFOR 2010 conference, in November 2010. Printed copies were realized slightly later.

The third volume of the TELFOR Journal, with both electronic and printed versions, was published before the TELFOR 2011 conference, in November 2011. Printed copies were realized with significantly improved color quality and increased number of copies.

This is the fourth volume, based on the selected, expanded and improved results from the TELFOR 2011 conference.

After four years of existence one can easily conclude that TELFOR Journal is already a recognizable scientific publication in the region of south-east Europe. The impressions of the scientific and research community were positive, both with respect to the Journal scientific quality and the very nice design. Still, some additional formal and substantial recognitions of the TELFOR Journal could be expected in the near future.

The TELFOR Journal is published in the English language, with both electronic and printed versions, minimally with the two issues per year. Having in mind that recent studies have shown that freely available papers are cited more often, Editorial board decided that electronic version will be once again free of charge.

The TELFOR Journal is an IEEE co-supported publication and it is following all the IEEE rules, procedures, and consequently the scientific quality.

The large spectrum of TELFOR Journal topics accounts for the rapid convergence through telecommunications towards the information and knowledge society. The Journal provides a medium for exchanging research results and technological achievements accomplished by the scientific community from academia and industry.

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. Paunovic', written in a cursive style.