

EDITORIAL



TELFOR is the abbreviation for the Telecommunications Forum, a long-lasting scientific, engineering and professional event that started in 1993 in Belgrade, Serbia. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 29th TELFOR conference has been organized as an online event on November 23-24, 2021. Based on the experience gained from the previous year, when TELFOR was organized as an online event for the first time, this year a significantly better result was achieved. The number of scientific papers, as well as the number of participants, was only slightly lower compared to the years before the pandemic. The quality of the submitted papers was very high, even better than before

the pandemic. The events ran in parallel: the program of scientific sessions in five to six tracks and in parallel the professional and commercial part of the program. Full information is available at www.telfor.rs/.

Initial idea of TELFOR was to establish a national scientific conference in Telecommunications. Over years, that idea has evolved to a huge regional international conference in Telecommunications and Information Technologies, having also its several other parallel tracks, like presentations of companies, presentations and papers of invited experts, exhibition of telecommunications hardware, software, systems and services, then seminars, tutorials, round tables, etc. During the TELFOR's existence several thousand scientific papers were presented and published, quite a number of them being of a considerable quality and with important results. Having such resources at disposal, establishing a scientific journal, the TELFOR Journal, was a very natural next step for several reasons:

- Authors with favorable TELFOR reviewers' assessments would have an additional opportunity to improve and expand their initial ideas;
- Editorial board would have a wide set of prospective invited authors;
- After some time of existence, TELFOR Journal attracts independent authors to submit their papers to be considered for publishing.

The history of TELFOR Journal is now thirteen years long. 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. Up to now, 291 thoroughly reviewed scientific papers have been published, almost 23 papers per year on the average. Apart from authors from Serbia, authors from many other European and non-European countries were also represented. After thirteen years one can easily conclude that TELFOR Journal is already a recognizable scientific publication in the region of South-East Europe. According to Serbian state and civil scientific authorities, TELFOR Journal got from 2014 a considerably better formal status. Starting with 2014 all published Journal papers got a DOI. The impressions of the scientific and research community were also very positive, both with respect to the Journal scientific quality and the very nice design. The large spectrum of TELFOR Journal topics accounts for the rapid

convergence through telecommunications towards the information and knowledge-based society. The Journal provides a medium for exchanging research results and technological achievements accomplished by the scientific community from academia and industry. TELFOR Journal is indexed in several well recognized index bases: Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), Google Scholar, SCOPUS (from 2016), National Library of Serbia Repository, Serbian Citation Index (Sci Index), ... TELFOR Journal has been submitted for evaluation in Clarivate Analytics ESCI list. The TELFOR Journal is published in the English language, with both electronic and printed versions, minimally with two issues per year. The Telfor Journal originated from the IEEE sponsored conference and follows the IEEE tradition in terms of procedures and quality of papers. The TELFOR Journal is an OPEN ACCESS journal with no charge for authors and readers.

We have a pleasure to present the thirteenth volume of TELFOR Journal consisting of two issues with 15 scientific papers. Twelve of them come from the TELFOR 2020 conference where initially presented in their preliminary forms. The remaining three papers were selected from a number of papers submitted directly to the Journal for evaluation.

Editor-in-Chief

Prof. dr Aleksandar Nešković

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Nešković', written in a cursive style.