

ICQNM 2023

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The Seventeenth International Conference on Quantum, Nano/Bio, and Micro Technologies (ICQNM 2023), held on September 25-29, 2023, continued a series of events covering research in the field of software system integration.

Quantum technologies and nano technologies have a great potential to transform communications telecommunications infrastructure and communication protocols, and computers and networking devices. Nanotechnologies and micro-technologies already made their mark on smart materials, nano-medicine, nano-devices, molecular manufacturing, biotechnology, metrology, airspace.

The advancements in material science and computer science have allowed the building, launching and deploying of space exploration systems that continually do more and more as they become smaller and lighter. As an example, carbon nano-tubes have been created that are 250 times stronger than steel, 10 times lighter, and transparent. Similar advances are occurring in glass, plastics and concrete. Spacecraft are being launched, with hulls that are composed of carbon fibers, a light weight high strength material.

Swarms is another concept of nano-robotics; swarms act in unison like bees. They theoretically will act as a flexible cloth like material, as strong as diamond. Interplanetary exploration can be foreseen as being carried on by nano-robots as well.

Electronic devices, medicine, environment, metrology, aerospace programs, clothes and materials, telecommunications, cryptography, semiconductors, manufacturing, and other domains are impacted by the progress on the areas mentioned above. Particularly, micro imaging, nano-medicine: (drug delivery; nano-particles i.e. viruses; proteins.), bio-nanostructures: (nano-tubes, nano-particles), microsystems, micro fluidics: (including nano-fluidics, modeling; fabrication and application), micro instrumentation / implantable microdevices (miniaturized bio-electronic systems etc.) and micro sensors benefits from the progress on quantum, nano and micro technologies.

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We hope that ICQNM 2023 was a successful international forum for the exchange of ideas and results between academia and industry and to promote further progress in the area of quantum, nano/bio, and micro technologies. We also hope that Porto provided a pleasant environment during the conference and everyone saved some time to enjoy the historic charm of the city.

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