

# SMART 2019

## Forward

The Eighth International Conference on Smart Cities, Systems, Devices and Technologies (SMART 2019), held between July 28, 2019 and August 02, 2019 in Nice, France, continued a series of events covering tendencies towards future smart cities, specialized technologies and devices, environmental sensing, energy optimization, pollution control and socio-cultural aspects.

Digital societies take rapid developments toward smart environments. More and more social services are digitally available to the citizens. The concept of 'smart cities' including all devices, services, technologies and applications associated with the concept sees a large adoption. Ubiquity and mobility added new dimensions to smart environments. Adoption of smartphones and digital finder maps, and increasing budgets for technical support of services to citizens settled a new behavioral paradigm of city inhabitants.

The conference included academic, research, and industrial contributions. It had the following tracks:

- Mobility monitoring and control in smart environments
- Digital cities

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We also thank the members of the SMART 2019 organizing committee for their help in handling the logistics and for their work that made this professional meeting a success.

We hope that SMART 2019 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 smart cities, systems, devices and technologies. We also hope that Nice, France provided a pleasant environment during the conference and everyone saved some time to enjoy the charm of the city.

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