

# Preface

Welcome to the sixth International Workshop on Signal Design and Its Applications in Communications (IWSDA'13) held in Tokyo, Japan, between October 27 to November 1, 2013. The first IWSDA was held in September 2001 in Chengdu, China, the second in Yamaguchi, Japan in October 2005, the third in Chengdu again in September 2007, the fourth in Fukuoka, Japan in October 2009, and the fifth in Guilin, China in October 2011. It is well-known that discrete signal design plays a very important role in widespread applications, such as spread spectrum, code division multiple access, positioning, channel estimations, synchronization, optimal detections, etc. The aim of this workshop is to foster fruitful interactions among signal designers, coding theorists, cryptographic researchers and communications practitioners from all over the world. This volume contains the refereed proceedings of the IWSDA'13.

Through a careful review process, where each submitted manuscript was reviewed by at least two program committee members or their external referees, the program committee accepted 45 papers (all for oral presentation), together with 3 plenary speeches, which are all included in the proceedings. The papers in the proceedings are organized into 12 categories: Plenary Speeches, Signal Design for Communications, Sequences/Codes on Finite Fields, Optical Codes/Optical Communications, Mathematical Theory/Analysis of Sequences, ZCZ sequences and Applications, Network, Security, OFDM, Communications, Frequency Hopping Sequences, Other Optimal Sequences and Applications.

We are very pleased to have three outstanding researchers to deliver plenary addresses at the conference: “Sequences, Randomness and Security” by Prof. Serdar Boztas (RMIT University, Australia), “On Large Zero Auto/Cross Correlation Zone of Golay/QAM Golay Sequences and Their Applications and Related Correlation Properties” by Prof. Guang Gong (University of Waterloo, Canada), “Difference Sets, Sequences, and Multipliers” by Prof. Alexander Pott (Otto-von-Guericke-University, Germany). We wish to thank the plenary speakers for providing their valuable time to the workshop.

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Finally, we wish to thank all authors and attendees for participating in the conference. We hope that you will find your participation in this conference rewarding and your stay in Tokyo enjoyable.

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