

# **ICIRA 2023 Special Session Proposal**

## Title of the Proposal: Wearable Sensors and Robots

### **Technical Outline of the Session and Topics:**

Outline of the Session: In recent years, relying on highly developed wearable sensor technology and intelligent processing methods, great breakthroughs have been achieved in the perception accuracy, modal and delays of human physical and physiological data. Based on this, the researchers have realized the natural interaction in the highly coupled human-robots system, so that the robots can complete tasks such as fetching objects, walking assistance, and daily services according to human intention. This special session focuses on the cutting-edge work and innovative achievements of wearable sensors in the field of improving robot operation intelligence and interaction friendliness.

Topics of the Session:

- Sensing integrated innovation: how to realize the high-precision, highdimensional, high real-time and portable perception of kinematics and dynamics data of human-robot system through lightweight and low-latency wearable sensor network.
- Clinical application: Combining the latest machine learning processing methods and the knowledge system of clinical experts to achieve rehabilitation effects through robots.
- Human-adapted control: Combined with the latest control laws, design a control method suitable for human-robots system, which can achieve high real-time precise control and significantly reduce the risk of harming humans.

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