Abstract
The estimation of target positions and movements in indoor scenarios is the key-aspect of many location-based services (LBS). Indoor LBS market is expected to generate more than USD 8 billion by 2020. Accordingly, the rapid spreading of applications based on the knowledge of user position, movement, and behaviour has stimulated the investigation of more and more efficient localization techniques. The seminar will provide an overview of different wireless localization solutions based on the integration of advanced electromagnetic technologies.

The opportunistic exploitation of wireless platforms will be presented as an alternative way to support the estimation of both cooperative and non-cooperative targets using the wireless architectures already deployed for heterogeneous communication purposes.

Different methodologies for the real-time processing of the wireless signals will be presented and a selected set of experimental results will be discussed to demonstrate the practical applicability of the opportunistic principle to real-world scenarios.

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