

Welcome to IEEE CQR2020

Due to the spread of COVID-19 pandemic, many governments and corporations worldwide have banned all face-to-face meetings, or have limited the possibility to travel. This is the case also in the United States, where Federal and local governments have imposed tight restrictions. Consequently, the IEEE CQR 2020 Steering Committee has, suitably to this year's theme, decided to virtualize the IEEE ComSoc International Communications Quality and Reliability Workshop of May 2020.

Virtual CQR 2020 workshop will be held on May 14 with a theme of "Virtualization and Cloudification in the 5G era." We want to confirm that the virtual CQR workshop will be as rigorous, insightful, and deserving of the high reputation as you have come to expect and associate with IEEE CQR. We are preparing a series of remote sessions, spreading over a single day, accommodating the different time zones from the Americas to Asia, as much as possible. The program will include keynotes that bring our attention to key issues related to next-generation 5G networks, and technical sessions and original paper presentations that will cover various aspects of QoS and Reliability for networks/services including 5G Mobile Networks, Edge/Fog Computing, MIMO Communications, Robotics, Grid, and Distributed Cloud Computing, Software Defined Networks, Network Function Virtualization, Data Center Networks, Information-centric Networks and more.

It will be an exciting opportunity to share and learn on the Virtualization and Cloudification of the Networks in the 5G Era at CQR 2020 Virtual Workshop. We welcome you to join us.

Sincerely,

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