



Call for Papers

IEEE Journal of Emerging and Selected Topics in Power Electronics

Special Section on Cybersecurity of Power Electronics through Hardware Hardening

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Cybersecurity of power electronics is increasingly essential as more systems from electrical grids, electrified transportation, data centers and internet-of-things utilize power electronics with embedded sensor, converter, and actuation and control mechanisms through various wired and wireless connections. Power electronics needs to define hardware hardening, especially in the design phase, to guard embedded components and their influence on the system from incidental and deliberate interferences. Emerging requirements in hardware hardening across components, usage, and communication modes are the main focus of this special section.

Prospective authors are invited to submit original contributions, or survey papers in this special section. Papers defining design-phase hardware hardening are particularly welcome. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Firmware compromise detection and integrity verification
- Hardening internal and external power electronics communications
- Cyber-physical attacks and approaches for hardware hardening
- Secure firmware update and patching, including over the air updates (OTAU)
- Secure designs for power electronics devices
- Integration of hardware- and software-based hardening solutions
- Prototypes, testbeds, and demonstrations
- Application specific needs and approaches for secure power electronics hardware (e.g. in distributed energy resources (DER), electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and data centers)

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• 2/15/2019 Manuscripts Submission Deadline

• 4/1/2019 First-Round Notification (Accept or Major Revision)

5/03/2019 Major Revision Deadline
5/24/2019 Second-Round Notification
6/14/2019 Final Manuscripts Received

• 7/08/2019 Manuscripts Forwarded to IEEE for Publication

• 9/03/2019 Special Section Appears in IEEE JESTPE