

Jay Kuo Named Editor-in-Chief of the IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security

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Professor Jay Kuo of the Ming Hsieh Department of Electrical Engineering has been appointed Editor-in-Chief of the *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensic and Security* (IEEE-TIFS) for 2012-2014. The scope of this journal is science, technology, and applications relating to information forensics, information security, biometrics, surveillance and system applications that incorporate these features. The topic of information and cyberspace security is one of several Grand Challenges listed by the US National Academy of Engineering (NAE), and IEEE-TIFS is one of the leading journals in this emerging field.

Jay received the B.S. degree from the National Taiw an University, Taipei, in 1980, and the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, in 1985 and 1987, respectively, all in electrical engineering. He joined USC in 1989 and is now Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. His research includes multimedia compression, communication and networking, and he leads one of the largest academic research groups in multimedia technologies, consisting of more than 30 Ph.D. students. His group has more than 100 alumni, and maintains close interaction with the IT industry. He has received research grants from more than 40 companies, and has published more than 150 journal papers and 750 conference papers. Jay has received numerous recognition and awards, including the National Science Foundation Young Investigator Award (1992), the Presidential Faculty Fellow Award (1993), the USC Junior Faculty

Research Award (1994), best paper awards from the IEEE Communication Society (2005), the IEEE Vehicular Technology Fall Conference (2006), and the IEEE Conference on Intelligent Information Hiding and Multimedia Signal Processing (2006), and the Okaw a Foundation Research Grant (2007). Jay was also an IEEE Signal Processing Society Distinguished Lecturer in 2006, and is a Fellow of IEEE and SPIE.

Alexander (Sandy) Saw chuk, Chair of the Ming Hsieh EE-Systems Department, commented: "The faculty of our department join me in congratulating Jay Kuo for his appointment as Editor-in-Chief of the prestigious *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security* and its recognition of his technical stature and leadership in these fields."

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