--- Special Section on European ICT R&D Project Activities on Broadband Access Technologies in Conjunction with Main Topics of 2015 IEICE ICT Forum ---

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1. Scope
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- Information and communication theory and algorithms, 4G and beyond wireless cellular networks/wireless cooperative networks/wireless cognitive and reconfigurable networks, and related technologies,
- Socio-economic implications of new technologies, law/regulatory impacts of new network technologies, social networking, The Internet of Things and machine type communications,
- Next-generation wireline access technologies and networks (integration of optical and wireless access as a last mile, converged optical-wireless networks, power communication technologies, future broadband digital subscriber line (DSL) access, distributed monitoring and management techniques, channel modeling/measurement), and green communication,
- Performance measurements, experimental platforms and testbeds concerning to the above mentioned topics.

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