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“Antenna Design for Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Systems”

In the last decades, the use of the RFID technology in industrial, logistics, and retail scenarios has been largely increased. This process has been clearly driven by the Internet-of-Things (IoT) paradigm where an increasing number of new applications rely on the opportunity offered by RFID technology to enable reliable communication at low cost and with lightweight apparatus. In fact, commercial devices, i.e., reader, tag, and reader antenna, are available on the market with accessible costs, and for this reason they are commonly employed. However, commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) solutions cannot be used in some emerging application scenarios which require customized reader and/or tag antenna design to better fit the specific requirements and optimize the whole system performance. This motivates researchers to propose new tag and reader antenna solutions based on different technologies, e.g., additive manufacturing, textile, or frequencies (HF, UHF, mm-wave), and optimized for various applications, e.g., wearable, on-metal, desktop and handheld readers, etc.

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- HF RFID
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- Textile antennas
- Inkjet-printed antennas
- Antennas for green tags
- Additive manufactured antennas
- Metamaterial inspired antennas
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- Handheld reader antennas
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- Wearable antennas
- On-metal tag
- Circular polarized antennas
- Dual-band antennas
- Near-field antennas
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