## Editorial

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This Special Issue is devoted to challenges in materials properties measurements. Our wish has been to follow a pluridisciplinary approach by addressing a wide variety of topics in terms of measured properties, involved techniques and characterisations, environmental conditions, studied materials, and scale of analysis. The guest editor is much indebted to all authors for their contributions and to Dr. M.A. Dorgham, the Editor-in-Chief, for his support of this special issue.

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