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What comes after 3G? For several years, research and standardization activity have been aimed at providing a framework for specifying requirements and create consensus on a vision for 4G mobile systems. This special issue intends to offer the reader a selection of contributions on hot topics and the state-of-the-art. High-quality contributions are solicited by the Guest Editors:

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The topics include but are not limited to the following:

- ✓ Ad-hoc and mesh networks
- Advanced mobile services in developing markets
- ✓ Beyond 3G vision
- ✓ Broadband channel models
- ✓ Business models for 4G systems
- √ Characterization of multimedia mobile services
- ✓ Convergence of fixed and mobile networks
- ✓ Deployment concepts for 4G
- ✓ Emerging roles in the value chain
- ✓ Interoperability strategies (2G/3G/4G, PLMNs/WLANs)

- ✓ Multiple access techniques
- ✓ Network architecture for mobile broadband
- ✓ Network sharing policies
- ✓ QoS control architectures for 4G systems
- √ Satellite component of beyond IMT-2000
- ✓ Software defined radios
- √ Space-time processing
- ✓ Spectrum for 4G
- ✓ Traffic engineering of 4G systems
- ✓ Virtual home environment support
- ✓ WLANs and Wireless Broadband

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