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Optical technologies, systems and networks will be essential to the future digitized society and economy. The optical infrastructures we design and standardize today shall be prepared to connect billions of devices and humans. This demands unprecedented capacity as well as cost and energy efficiency. New design variables, such as ultra-low latency, are to be considered for new applications, such as time-sensitive applications for verticals and 5G mobile networks. The Optical Communications series is a platform for all topics broadly relevant to optical communications standards. The Series Topic (ST) will include tutorials on, analysis of, and comparisons of emerging or established IEEE and non-IEEE standards, as

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- Standardization of network architectures for 5G and 5G evolution mobile transport;
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