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# **AI for Visual Perception and Artificial Consciousness**

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Despite recent progress, AI still faces fundamental problems at the intersection of technology and perception. AI can help us gain deeper insights into visual perception and consciousness.

Visual perception refers to how living beings, including humans, interpret and make sense of visual stimuli from the surrounding environment. It spans the reception of visual information through the eyes, the processing of this information by the brain, and the subsequent construction of a meaningful perceptual experience.

On the other hand, artificial consciousness considers the possibility of designing machines or artificial systems associated with forms of consciousness or subjective experience. Today, AI can reliably recognise a face, but can it see it? Is AI able to identify itself by visually self-perceiving itself? Does conscious awareness compare favourably to what today's AI can do? Are we missing a key component?

The Special Issue aims to gather contributions in the form of research and review articles encompassing the multidisciplinary topics involved in artificial intelligence for perception and artificial consciousness.













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