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state lighting systems; normalization and quality issues for light sources; impact of lighting to energy, environment, quality of life, health and security; interaction between light source and associated power supply; illumination and lighting. He is director of "Light & Matter" research group of LAPLACE that enrolls 20 researchers. He won in December 2006 the 1st Award of the International Electrotechnical Committee (IEC) Centenary Challenge for his work on normalization for urban lighting systems (in conjunction with IEEE, IET and the Observer). In 2009, he won the Energy Globe Award for France and he got the Fresnel Medal from the French Illuminating Engineering Society. In 2011 has been awarded the title of Professor *Honoris Causa* of Saint Petersburg State University (Russian Federation) and he was President of the Power Electronics, Electronics, Optoelectronics and System section of the French National Council of Universities for the period 2014-19.