

## **Publication Ethics; List of Reviewers; Instructions for Authors**

### **1. Publication Ethics**

The Journal of Information and Organizational Sciences (JIOS) upholds the highest standards of publication ethics and takes all possible measures against any publication malpractices.

#### **1.1. Duties of the Editor**

The editor is responsible for maintaining the integrity of the academic record, for having processes in place to assure the quality of the published material as well as for precluding business needs from compromising intellectual and ethical standards.

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##### *1.1.1. Publication Decisions*

The editor is responsible for deciding which manuscripts submitted to JIOS will be accepted for publication. This decision is based on the reviewers' recommendation. The main selection criteria are the contribution's importance, originality and clarity, as well as the study's validity and its relevance. The decision will not be influenced by the authors' race, gender, sexual orientation, religious belief, ethnic origin, citizenship, or political philosophy. The editor may confer with reviewers while making this decision.

##### *1.1.2. Confidentiality*

The editor must not disclose any information about a manuscript submitted to anyone other than the corresponding author, reviewers, potential reviewers, other advisory board members, and the publisher, as appropriate.

##### *1.1.3. Disclosure and Conflicts of Interest*

Unpublished materials disclosed in a submitted manuscript will not be used in the editor's own research without the express written consent of the author.

## 1.2. Duties of Reviewers

### 1.2.1. *Contribution to Editorial Decisions*

Papers will be published in JIOS after a double-blind peer-reviewed process. Reviewers advise the editor. Reviewers do not know the author's identity and their comments to the editor are confidential and will be made anonymous before they are passed on to the author. The names of the reviewers remain strictly confidential, with their identities known only to the editor.

### 1.2.2. *Promptness*

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Any manuscripts received for review must be treated as confidential documents. They must not be disclosed to or discussed with others except as authorized by the editor.

### 1.2.4. *Standards of Objectivity*

Reviews should be conducted objectively. Personal criticism of the author is inappropriate. Reviewers should express their views clearly with supporting arguments, if necessary with explanation.

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Reviewers should identify relevant published work that has not been cited by the authors. They should point out whether observations or arguments derived from other publications are accompanied by the respective source. Reviewers will notify track directors or the editor of any substantial similarity or overlap between the manuscript under consideration and any other published paper of which they have personal knowledge.

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Privileged information or ideas obtained through the review process must be kept confidential and not used for personal advantage. Reviewers should not consider manuscripts in which they have conflicts of interest resulting from competitive, collaborative, or other relationships or connections with any of the authors, companies, or institutions associated with the papers.

### **1.3. Duties of Authors**

#### *1.3.1. Reporting Standards*

Authors of manuscripts should present an accurate account of the work performed as well as an objective discussion of its significance. Underlying data should be represented accurately in the manuscript. A manuscript should contain sufficient detail and references to permit others to replicate the work. Fraudulent or knowingly inaccurate statements constitute unethical behaviour and are unacceptable.

#### *1.3.2. Data Access and Retention*

Authors may be asked to provide the raw data in connection with a manuscript for review and should be prepared to provide public access to such data, if practicable, and should in any event be prepared to retain such data for a reasonable time after publication.

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The authors should ensure that they have written entirely original works, and if the authors have used the work and/or words of others, that this has been appropriately cited or quoted. Plagiarism takes many forms, including the touting of material contained in another paper (of the same authors or some other author) with cosmetic changes as a new paper, copying or paraphrasing substantial parts of another's paper (without attribution), and claiming results from research conducted by others. In all its forms plagiarism constitutes unethical publishing behaviour and is unacceptable.

#### *1.3.4. Acknowledgement of Sources*

Proper acknowledgment of the work of others must always be given. Authors should cite publications that have been influential in determining the nature of the reported work.

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### *1.3.8. Disclosure and Conflicts of Interest*

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### **3. Instructions for Authors**

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## Instructions for Formatting JIOS Articles

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## 4. Introduction

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before publishing date will be included in current volume. All papers that enter copyediting process less than one month from the publishing date will be included in the next volume.

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Papers must be in the single column format as shown in the enclosed sample. The page format should be set to B5. Left, right and top margin should be set to 2,2 cm while bottom margin should be set to 2,5 cm. Headers should be 1,27 cm from top and footer should be 2,18 cm from bottom of page. Title should be 36 pt below the header.

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Authors' names should appear in designated areas below the title of the paper in 12 pt bold type. Authors' affiliations and complete addresses should be in italics 11 pt, and their email addresses in 10 pt italic. If author is part of institution, organization or company, information should include full author name, full institution/organization/company name, town/city and country. If author is publishing as a private person, information should include full author name, full address (street address and number), town/city and country. Authors' affiliations and email address must be aligned according to the left and right paper margin.

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Paper title and all headings should be capitalized. Please refer to Rules for Capitalization in Titles regarding capitalization of paper title and section headings.

References to sections (as well as figures, tables, theorems and so on), should be capitalized, as in "In Section 4, we show that..."

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Figures and tables should be inserted in proper places throughout the text. Do not group them together at the beginning of a page, nor at the bottom of the paper. Number figures sequentially, e.g., Figure 1, and so on.

The figure or table number and the caption should appear under the illustration. Spacing around caption should be 6 pt above and 11 pt below. Captions, labels, and other text in illustrations must be at least 9 pt.

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We strongly suggest not to use color figures and pictures. Authors are responsible for providing grayscale figures and pictures without any loss of information.

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Headers and Footers should be in 9 pt. All information in headers should be in small caps, respecting capital first letters. The first page of your article should include the short journal name, volume, number and year in the upper left corner, and the submission date and acceptance date in the upper right corner. The editor will let you know the volume, number, year, submission date and acceptance date.

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Please do not add any page numbers in the article. They will be assigned by the publishing board at the bottom of the page in the center, as well as added in the footer of the article.

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We encourage authors to use footnotes sparingly, especially since they may be difficult to read online. Footnotes should be numbered sequentially and should appear at the bottom of the page, as shown below.<sup>1</sup>

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