

INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS

SCOPE – Journal of Multidisciplinary Research in Technology, Organization and Innovation

1. Scope and Eligibility of Submissions

SCOPE publishes original research articles, review papers, professional papers and case studies that align with the aims and thematic areas of the journal.

The journal encourages multidisciplinary, applied and problem-oriented research that integrates technology, organization, management, economics, law and innovation in contemporary social and business contexts.

All submissions must represent an original contribution to knowledge and must not have been previously published or simultaneously submitted to another journal.

2. Language

The primary language of the journal is English.

Manuscripts may also be submitted in Croatian, Bosnian or Serbian (Latin script), provided that the title, abstract and keywords are supplied in English.

Authors are responsible for the linguistic and grammatical accuracy of their manuscripts.

3. Submission Process

Manuscripts must be submitted exclusively through the journal's online submission system.

Upon submission, authors are required to provide:

- the complete manuscript prepared according to the technical guidelines
- all required metadata (title, abstract, keywords, author information, ORCID identifier)

Authors will receive confirmation of receipt.

4. Peer Review Process

All submitted manuscripts undergo an initial editorial screening to assess relevance, originality and alignment with the journal's thematic scope.

Manuscripts meeting the basic criteria are subject to a **double-blind peer review**, in which at least two independent reviewers evaluate the scientific quality, methodological rigor and contribution of the work.

Based on reviewers' reports, the Editorial Board may decide:

- Accept
- Accept with minor revisions
- Revise and resubmit
- Reject

All manuscripts are subject to plagiarism screening prior to peer review.

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Authors are responsible for ensuring research integrity and ethical conduct.

Manuscripts must be original, all sources must be properly cited and any potential conflicts of interest must be clearly disclosed.

The journal does not tolerate plagiarism, data fabrication, data falsification or duplicate submission.

6. Technical Formatting Guidelines

Manuscript Format

- Microsoft Word format (.docx)
- A4 page size
- Margins: 2.5 cm on all sides
- Font: Times New Roman, 12 pt
- Line spacing: 1,0

Length

The recommended manuscript length is 4000–8000 words (approximately up to 16 pages), including abstract, tables, figures and references.

Review articles and case studies may exceed this range with prior approval from the Editorial Board.

7. Manuscript Structure

The manuscript should include the following elements:

- Title
- Author(s) name(s) and affiliation(s)
- ORCID identifier
- Abstract (150–250 words)
- 3–5 keywords
- Introduction
- Theoretical or conceptual framework
- Methodology
- Results

- Discussion
- Conclusion
- References

Headings should be clearly structured and numbered where appropriate.

8. Abstract and Keywords

The abstract must clearly present the purpose of the study, methodology, main findings and conclusions.

Following the abstract, authors should provide 3–5 keywords that accurately reflect the content of the manuscript.

9. Tables and Figures

Tables and figures must be numbered consecutively in the order they appear in the text.

- Table titles should appear above the table.
- Figure captions should appear below the figure.
- Sources must be clearly indicated if the material is not original.

10. Citation and References (APA Style)

All manuscripts must follow the **APA citation style (7th edition)**.

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- (Smith, 2020)
- (Smith & Johnson, 2021)
- (Smith et al., 2022)
- (Smith, 2020, p. 45)

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