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SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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- 1. Please prepare and submit the article drafts in word file formats i.e., in DOC/ DOCX only. Submission through any other file formats may not be considered.
- 2. The maximum word limit for the article would be 2000 words, including footnotes, references and bibliography, if any.
- 3. Please use footnotes for the article in any uniform method of citation. We recommend using the OSCOLA citation methodology, but any other consistent format is acceptable.
- 4. Any submissions which has plagiarism in excess of 20% (Twenty Percent) would be disqualified from the Competition. Please ensure you are appropriately citing and referencing sources to avoid plagiarism detection post-submissions.
- 5. Please ensure that as part of the submission, the structure and formatting specified below is followed to ensure consistency throughout all submissions.
 - a. Header must include Team Code in Times New Roman, Size 12, All Capitals, Bold, and Center-Aligned;
 - b. Title of the Article must be the first line in Times New Roman, Size 14, All Capitals, Bold and Center-Aligned;
 - c. The text of the article i.e., the body must be in Times New Roman, Size 12, Justified;
 - d. Headings Level 1 must be in Times New Roman Size 12 Bold and Underlined, Headings Level 2 must be in Times New Roman Size 12 Underlined and Headings Level 3 must be Times New Roman Size 12 Italicized;
 - e. All footnotes must be in Times New Roman Size 10 and References and Bibliography, if any, must be in Times New Roman Size 10 only;
 - f. Footer must only include Page number in Times New Roman Size 10, and Center-Aligned and must not include any other text;
 - g. At no point shall the document contain any information which may identify the team participants, institution or any other identifying information, apart from Team Code.
- 6. The DOCX file to be uploaded must only include Team Code, for e.g. AWC-01.pdf
- 7. All participants must note the marking criteria is as follows:

- a. Relevance of the Topic 5 points;
- b. Review of existing literature 5 points;
- c. Quality of Research 5 points;
- d. Novel contribution 5 points;
- e. Compliance with formatting, word limit and other guidelines 5 points; and
- f. Plagiarism and Related Aspects 5 points.
- 8. The Adjudging Panel shall score manuscripts based on these parameters in light of the specific marking criteria outlined below.
 - a. Excellent / Exceeds expectations set by the criteria 5 points;
 - b. Good / Meets the criteria 4 points;
 - c. Average / Some aspects met and need improvement 3 points;
 - d. Below Average / Needs significant improvement to meet criteria 2 points; and
 - e. Does not meet the criteria 1 point.
- 9. In the event of a tie, the points allotted to the submission in respect of Novel Contribution (followed by Quality of Research) will be considered tie breakers in determining better submissions.
- 10. With reference to plagiarism, each submission shall be scored as per the Plagiarism legend outlined below.
 - a. 0-2% Plagiarism: 5 Points;
 - b. 3-5% Plagiarism: 4 Points;
 - c. 6-10% Plagiarism: 3 Points;
 - d. 11-13% Plagiarism: 2 Points;
 - e. 13-15% Plagiarism: 1 Point;
 - f. Exceeding 15% Plagiarism: 0 Points.

In the matter of interpretation and application of any of the rules above, the decision of the Organizing Committee shall be final and binding.

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Convenor, Organizing Committee
