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Specific Instructions to Editors and Reviewers

Elenchus Law Review provides a platform for publishing original research works spanning interdisciplinary areas. Authors, reviewers and editors are to adhere to the specific instructions provided by the Centre for Economy, Development and Law. This document contains instructions to editors and reviewers as mentioned in the title.

What the editors should look for:

1. Editing of a manuscript shall constitute primary level screening as well as later revisions.
2. Editors are to validate the research work alongside the Publishing and Ethics Policies of the journal. References, citations and acknowledgements are to be verified in line with the referencing style of *Elenchus Law Review*.
3. Determining the scope of the research work and its significance in the journal.
4. Compatibility with the language standards set for the Journal.
5. Encouraging revisions and resubmissions from the author.

Elenchus Law Review follows two-tier review process where the submissions will go through primary screening by editors and then sent for blind peer review. If the work fails to prove substantial enough to be published, it will be rejected in the first stage itself.

The secondary level review should scrutinize the manuscript with regard to content and form.

How to review manuscripts:

1. Peer review should focus on improving the overall quality of the publication by scanning through concept, data, analysis, structure and language.
2. Ensure originality and novelty of the submission; references, citations and acknowledgements are to be verified in line with the Ethics Standards of *Elenchus Law Review*.
3. Detect plagiarism and fabrication.
4. Conceptual clarity, accuracy of figures and appropriateness of data are to be inspected.

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How to review manuscripts:

5. Comment on the significance of the research paper; contribution to new knowledge is a parameter.
6. Check if the paper maintains logical flow of thoughts and writing style.
7. Kindly note down your learned opinion on the publish-ability of the paper.
8. Reviewers and editors can do in-line comments and suggest revisions using appropriate review options such as 'track changes/comment' tools in the respective word processor software. Otherwise, if not comfortable with such options, the reviewer could also prepare a review report separately and send to us.

Identity of peer reviewer shall not be disclosed under any circumstances and his privacy is of the utmost concern to the publisher.

Double-way Blind Review Process:

The details of the author and peer reviewer are considered confidential. The identity of the author will not be disclosed to the reviewer and privacy shall never be compromised with regard to peer review. Similarly, identity of peer reviewer shall not be disclosed under any circumstances and his privacy is of the utmost concern to the publisher.

The review report will be communicated to the author(s) and further revisions shall be carried out before finalizing the document for publication.

Editorial Contracts:

Editorial and Review work provided to the help of the Centre are greatly appreciated, and shall be acknowledged by the Centre in necessary contexts, without compromising the privacy concerns of the respective author and publisher. Monetary benefits are accorded only upon the existence of prior contract and compensation, mutually agreed before the start of the work.



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