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Submissions must include the author’s photo with a biography of no more than 1.5 paragraph (5-12 lines). In the case of multiple authors, it should be indicated if there is a leading author and the order the remaining authors, photos and biographies will appear. Otherwise, the assigned order will be alphabetical.

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- All graphics, pictures and tables must be submitted in high-resolution:
  - At least 300 ppi (width 4509 px; height 3000 px)
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- For the date, the following structure must be applied: 1 January 2022.
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  - Title
  - Subtitle (optional)
  - Author with affiliation
  - Abstract
  - Keywords
  - Acknowledgements (optional)
  - Main text of the article
  - Conclusion
  - Bibliography

- Abstract
  - It should set out briefly and clearly the main purpose, objectives or of the article; clearly presenting and defending the idea, opinions, positions, and possibly indicate the structure of the article. The length should not exceed 150-250 words.

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