



Peer-Review Statements

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All of the articles in this proceedings volume have been presented at the ICGMSI2023 during 20th – 21st September 2023 in Manila. These articles have been peer reviewed by the members of the Reviewer Committee and approved by the Editor-in-Chief, who affirms that this document is a truthful description of the conference's review process.

1. REVIEW PROCEDURE

The reviews were double-blind. Each submission was examined by 2 reviewer(s) independently.

The conference submission management system EasyChair.

The submissions were first screened for generic quality and suitability. After the initial screening, they were sent for peer review by matching each paper's topic with the reviewers' expertise, taking into account any competing interests. A paper could only be considered for acceptance if it had received favourable recommendations from the two reviewers.

Authors of a rejected submission were given the opportunity to revise and resubmit after addressing the reviewers' comments. The acceptance or rejection of a revised manuscript was final.

The conference is requested to adhere to the following minimum standards:

Unbiased consideration is given to all papers that are accepted and published in the proceedings regardless of race, gender, religious belief, ethnic origin or citizenship of the authors.

Author, editors, the reviewers and conference organisers have responsibilities to meet expected ethical standards at all stages in their involvement from submission to publication of a paper. All conference papers shall meet the usual standards of quality.

Submission and peer review should be conducted in English.

Papers submitted for the conference will be peer-reviewed (abstract/full paper) rapidly as possible, while maintaining rigor.

In the first stage, abstracts/full papers will be received and reviewed by the Conference Secretariat to ensure they fulfill the theme.

In the second stage, the review conference committee will be responsible for forwarding the abstracts/full papers to anonymous reviewers, selected for their expertise in the respective fields. Reviewers are consisting of local and international experts.

In the third stage, Reviewers shall give a clear statement of recommendation for each paper and provide comments in review form to support their recommendation suitable for transmission to the authors.

Based on the reviewers' comments, finally authors will be notified for acceptance decisions in TWO (2) weeks after the submission. Authors are required to amend the paper accordingly and submit the camera-ready paper before the deadline.

2. QUALITY CRITERIA

Reviewers were instructed to assess the quality of submissions solely based on the academic merit of their content along the following dimensions:

1. **Content:** Is the content succinctly described and contextualized with respect to previous and present theoretical background and empirical research (if applicable) on the topic?
2. **Originality, Research Gap & Motivation:** Are the variables discussed and supported based on the relevant and recent literature?
3. **Methodology:** Are the research design, objectives, questions, hypotheses, and methods clearly stated?
4. **Clarity and Sufficient Discussion:** Are the arguments and discussion of findings coherent, balanced and compelling? For empirical research, are the results clearly presented?
5. **References:** Is the article adequately referenced?
6. **Significance of the Study:** Are the conclusions thoroughly supported by the results presented in the article or referenced in secondary literature?
7. **Language:** English language and style

In addition, all of the articles have been checked for textual overlap in an effort to detect possible signs of plagiarism by the publisher.

3. KEY METRICS

Total submissions	26
Number of articles sent for peer review	26
Number of accepted articles	13
Acceptance rate	50%
Number of reviewers	37

4. COMPETING INTERESTS

Neither the Editor-in-Chief nor any member of the Scientific Committee declares any competing interest.

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