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Guidelines

Publishing Journal Paper Over Conference/Workshop Papers

IET Journals

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In order to maintain Journal's Policy on prevent multiple publication of Research Papers at IET Journals we would like to inform authors as well as Conference Organisers who intend to promote their Selective Conference Papers as a Journal Special Issue (SI) for the following important quality issues to eliminate any ambiguity and misunderstandings which may occur due to variety of interpretation of publishing a conference paper as an achievable Journal paper.

Rule 1 – Due to infringement of the Copyright any duplicated publication or multiple publications should require specific documented permission or agreements between the publishers.

Rule 2 – Publication of a Journal paper requires rigorous editorial process as set by Journal's quality procedure indifferent to it being published as a paper in an Open Call Special Issue, a Conference associated Special Issue, or a Journal Regular Submission.

Rule 3 – A paper being accepted and presented in a Conference with Summary Only Proceeding can be submitted to the Journal. For this case the Conference Summary should be included on paper list of references.

Rule 4 – In order to promote a Conference with full Proceeding we encourage generation of a Journal Special Issue associated with the Conference. In order to maintain the quality and fairness of the Journal as public media, however, the following restrictions apply to all research SI papers:

- a. SI must come with an open call but the Guest Editors are allowed to reject a paper for the SI without processing only under clear justification of out-of-scope with the SI.
- b. All (Selected) Conference Papers need to be processed under Journal's standard quality procedure for their visible presentation enhancements, additional content (being extra results, mathematical treatments) and significant incremental novelty over their Conference paper counterparts.

The following notes may help with the overall quality in orientating the Guest Editors with their selection of potential papers as well as helping the prospectus authors with their submissions:

Note 1 – Normally, Proceeding Conference Papers are limited in size which restricts the Conference Paper convey full message of the research work. Such papers are encouraged to provide a full Journal Paper on top of the Conference Paper as long as the paper is specifically (re) produced in much larger size for:

- a. further and enhanced results in content and presentation
- b. improved presentation quality of text
- c. better mathematical treatment and enhanced modelling

Note 2 – Listing Conference Paper is essential part of quality procedure for the Journal paper.

Note 3 – Authors should consider that their research work has the potential and have enough resources for demonstrating a significant ‘incremental novelty’ to justify a Journal Paper on the top of their Conference Paper before deciding to go ahead.

Note 4 – Although it hard generalising the size but roughly an overall minimum 60% new materials in text, data, etc are expected in the Journal Paper over the Conference Paper.

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