Science Vision Call for Papers/Articles for Special Issue on SDGs

The Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS) calls for inputs for a special issue of its journal, Science Vision, with a special focus on *Sustainable Development Goals*. This issue will mark the first quinquennial of United Nations 2030 Global Agenda that completes on September 2020.

The completion of the first five years of the UN Global Agenda provides an excellent opportunity to review various dimensions, data and developments pertaining to SDGs.

What? Intellectual and scholarly inputs on SDGs in the form of case studies, opinion-based articles, expert analyses as well as research and review articles

Who? Researchers, scientists and scholars, freelance experts, policy-makers and students with strong expressions, ideas and work on any related subject

Why? To spur action and cooperation and motivate intellectual activities and exchanges through discussions on best practices, success stories and cooperative schemes at individual, institutional and state-level

Broad proposed themes:

The papers may address topics (but are not limited) to the following broad themes:

- analysis of the contemporary issues and challenges related to SDGs;
- pragmatic approaches and solutions for the realization of the 169 targets;
- significant scientific advancements and their impact on the society at large.

Instructions for Authors

General Instructions

- The article should have a clear title, name(s) and initial(s) of author(s), affiliation of the author(s); name, address and email address of the corresponding author
- The article may include a summary (150 words max), keywords, text, illustrations, tables, and references/bibliography
- Any textual or graphical content used from an external source should be properly cited
- For scientific papers, a uniform referencing style should be used for in-text citations and end-notes
- Statistical data, images, graphical content or other visual content may accompany such articles to aid the understanding of the topic.

Paper Format

Paper Size : Letter (8.5 x 11) inches

Margins (inches)

Top Margin : 1

Bottom Margin : 0.5

Left Margin : 0.75 Right Margin : 0.75 Font Type : Arial

Paper Title Heading : 14 pt + Bold + Upper Case

Author Name(s) : 10 pt

Body Text Main Headings : 10 pt + Bold + Upper Case
Second Level Headings : 10 pt + Bold + Sentence Case
Third Level Headings : 10 pt + Bold + Italics + Sentence Case
Fourth Level Headings : 10 pt + Italics + Sentence Case

Body Text : 10 pt Footer : 8 pt

Typescripts

Papers should be typewritten on A4 paper (210x297 mm), with double spacing and 3 cm margins. Each section should begin on a new page and may include: title page, 150 words abstract/summary, keywords, text, illustrations, tables, and references/bibliography.

Title Page

The title page should contain: (i) the title of the article; (ii) names and initials of each author with their highest academic qualifications; (iii) name and affiliation of all the authors; (iv) the department or institution to which the work should be attributed (if necessary); and (v) name and address of the author responsible for correspondence along with his/her email address.

Tables and Illustrations

Tables and illustrations with captions/legends should be carefully numbered, cross cited in the text and should have the source duly mentioned.

References and Bibliography

Harvard style (e.g. Bond, 2004) should be used for in-text citations and end-notes (References and Bibliography). However, any other popular style of referencing may be used, provided that it is used consistently throughout the paper.

The articles shall be first reviewed to confirm their alignment with the theme of the special issue before peer-review (if required). The Editorial Board reserves the right to carry necessary editorial corrections before publishing.