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- The submission deadline is **15 May** each year. The journal is published in October of the same year.

Peer review

- Every manuscript undergoes a pre-check regarding its general suitability. Those that make it into the following evaluation round will be submitted for anonymous peer review. Authors will usually be informed of the result (accepted, rejected, revise and resubmit) within two months.

Editing

- We accept only contributions that are ready for publication. All submissions accepted for publication undergo our editing process. The editors reserve the right to amend the language and the content of the work, in consultation with the author when appropriate. The author will receive a galley proof of the piece as a PDF file prior to publication, at which point only minor changes can still be integrated. No major changes will be possible once the text has been initially typeset.

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- Please use titles with Roman numerals (I, II, III, IV etc.), and subtitles with Arabic numerals (1, 2, 3, 4 etc.). The numbering of subtitles restarts at 1 in each title. Subheadings up to the second order (1.1, 1.2 etc.) are admissible.

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- Please emphasise any text with *italics*, not bold or underlined.