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  - Papers should be typed in English on standard A4 size paper (8.5" x 11").
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  - Use a font of 12 pt. Times New Roman.
  - All submissions should be in Microsoft Word documents.
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    - o Author name and affiliation,
    - o Abstract (150- 200 words),
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