

# **Peer-Review Statements**

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All of the articles in this proceedings volume have been presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Law, Governance and Social Justice during 3<sup>rd-5th</sup> October 2023 in Purwokerto, Central Java, Indonesia. These articles have been peer reviewed by the members of the 3<sup>rd</sup> ICoLGaS Scientific 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 review. Each submission was examined by at least 2 reviewer(s) independently.

Our submission process primarily utilizes our dedicated website at http://conference.fh.unsoed.ac.id/, offering a streamlined and efficient system for handling submissions. Additionally, we accommodate direct submissions via our official email, icolgas@unsoed.ac.id, ensuring flexibility and accessibility for authors who prefer or require an alternative submission method.

The submissions were first screened for generic quality and suitableness via abstract submission. After the initial screening, authors can submit the full papers and 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 or need revision submission were given the opportunity to revise and resubmit after addressing the reviewers' comments. The acceptance or rejection of a revised manuscript was final. Upon acceptance, efforts to enhance peer review integrity continued. Reviewers were recused from evaluating papers by closely affiliated authors to avoid potential conflicts of interest. Additionally, measures were implemented to reduce unconscious bias in the review process, ensuring a fair and objective evaluation of all submissions.

# 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. **Relevance to ICoLGaS Themes**: Primary emphasis was placed on the alignment of the article with the conference's central themes of Law, Governance, and Social Justice.
- 2. **Originality and Timeliness**: The novelty and current relevance of the research were critically assessed.
- 3. **Methodological Rigor**: The robustness of research methods, analysis, and results was scrutinized.
- 4. **Ethical Compliance**: Adherence to the ethical standards and codes of conduct pertinent to the research area was mandatory.
- 5. **Presentation Quality**: Clarity, coherence, and linguistic precision, as well as the quality of figures, tables, and references, were evaluated to ensure comprehensive and accurate communication of the research.

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

## **3. KEY METRICS**

Total submissions	190
Number of articles sent for peer review	147
Number of accepted articles	113
Acceptance rate	59.47%
Number of reviewers	18

Reviewer in the 3<sup>rd</sup> ICoLGaS consist of scientific committee from Indonesia, Malaysia, Australia, and the Netherland, with different background on the study of Law, Governance, and Social Justice.

## 4. COMPETING INTERESTS

The 3rd International Conference on Law, Governance, and Social Justice (ICoL-GaS) adheres to the scenario described that neither the Editor-in-Chief nor any member of the Scientific Committee has declared any competing interests. In other words, there are no known conflicts of interest that could potentially influence their editorial decisions.

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