

# **Peer-Review Statements**

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All of the articles in this proceedings volume have been presented at the  $2^{nd}$  ICoETS during October 4-5, 2023 in Sigli, Aceh, Indonesia. These articles have been peer reviewed by the members of the reviewer 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 single-blind. Each submission was examined by a reviewer independently. The submissions were first screened for generic quality and suitableness. After the initial screening, they were sent for peer review by matching each paper's topic with the reviewers' expertise, taking into account any competing interests. A paper was considered for acceptance if it had received favourable recommendations from the reviewer.

Authors of a rejected submission were given the opportunity to revise and resubmit after addressing the reviewers' comments. The acceptance or rejection of a revised manuscript was final.

The paper was also checked for its similarity. If the paper has the similarity greater than 10%, the authors were asked to revised their paper.

# 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. Pertinence of the article's content to the scope and themes of the conference;
- 2. Clear demonstration of originality and novelty;
- 3. Soundness of the methods, analyses, and results;
- 4. Adherence to the ethical standards and codes of conduct relevant to the research field;

- 5. Clarity, cohesion, and accuracy in language and other modes of expression, including figures and tables.
- 6. The relevancy of references being used.

In addition, all of the articles have been checked for textual overlap in an effort to detect possible signs of plagiarism by the publisher. All articles have also been checked for its similarity to make sure the originality of the articles.

### **3. KEY METRICS**

- Total submissions 51
- Number of articles sent for peer 50 review
  - Number of accepted articles 21
    - Acceptance rate 41.2%
    - Number of reviewers 10

# **4. COMPETING INTERESTS**

Neither the Editor-in-Chief nor any member of the Scientific Committee declares any competing interest.

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