



## Peer-Review Statements

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All of the articles in this proceedings volume have been presented at the 8<sup>th</sup> FIRST 2024 during 21-22 October 2024 in Palembang, South Sumatera, Indonesia. These articles have been peer reviewed by the members of the *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*. Each submission was examined by *at least 2* reviewer(s) independently.

The conference submission management system was <https://first.polsri.ac.id/2024/2021/11/03/submission/>

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The author is sent an acceptance letter, and the finished work is delivered to production. Occasionally, writers are asked to revise their article in light of the reviewers' remarks and submit the revised version to the Editor-in-chief. Depending on the discipline and type of extra evidence, information, or argument requested, the review period can range from six to eight weeks.

After review, the manuscript goes to the 'Copy Editor' who will correct the manuscript in respect of the correct referencing system in accordance with the journal style and layout. When the 'Copy Editor' finishes his/her work, the manuscript will be sent to the 'Layout editor'.

### 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, novelty, and timeliness of the research;
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.

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

*FIRST IC 2024 has a zero-tolerance policy when it comes to plagiarism. As a result, the following policy has been established, which outlines precise steps that will be taken (penalties) if plagiarism is found in an article submitted for publication in FIRST IC 2024.*

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*Ithenticate will be used to determine how similar each of the submitted papers is to the database.*

### 3. Key Metrics

<i>Total submissions</i>	21
<i>Number of articles sent for peer review</i>	20
<i>Number of accepted articles</i>	16
<i>Acceptance rate</i>	80%
<i>Number of reviewers</i>	8

*Any additional information about article statistics belongs to this section, but the listing should suffice in most situations. More rows can be added if necessary, but please do not delete any existing row. Numbers are for example only. "Acceptance rate" is (number of accepted articles) divided by (number of total submissions).*

### 4. COMPETING INTERESTS

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

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