



## Peer-Review Statements

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### 1. REVIEW PROCEDURE

The reviews were double-blind. Each submission was examined by 2 reviewer(s) independently. The conference submission management system was Microsoft CMT (Conference Management Toolkit)

Each submitted manuscript was assigned a unique paper ID. Initial screening rigorously evaluated the manuscript's alignment with the conference scope and its originality. Subsequently, all submitted manuscripts underwent a meticulous technical peer review process, adhering to the principles of double-blind review. The corresponding author was promptly notified of the review process outcome. IRTTHI prioritized a double-blind review process to ensure impartial assessment.

### **Paper Selection Process**

STEP 1: Abstracts were allocated a paper ID corresponding to the conference topic and track.

STEP 2: The Technical Program Committee of IRTTHI conducted an initial screening review, assessing relevance to the conference theme, checking for plagiarism, and examining the quality of figures/diagrams/illustrations.

STEP 3: Papers that passed Step 2 advanced to the technical review process. They were sent to two reviewers specializing in the same domain as the paper.

STEP 4: Upon completion of the review process, the corresponding author received notification of the outcomes. A revised manuscript had to be submitted within fifteen days of notification.

STEP 5: Revised papers were re-assessed by reviewers to ensure all suggested corrections had been incorporated, if necessary. If unresolved, the editors made a decision on paper acceptance.

STEP 6: The final decision was made by the editors based on reviewer, and this decision was communicated to the corresponding authors.

STEP 7: Status update was provided on the Camera Ready Paper after acceptance.

## **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.

### 3. KEY METRICS

<i>Total submissions</i>	113
<i>Number of articles sent for peer review</i>	53
<i>Number of accepted articles</i>	27
<i>Acceptance rate</i>	50.94%
<i>Number of reviewers</i>	27

### 4. COMPETING INTERESTS

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

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