



Peer-Review Statements

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All of the articles in this proceedings volume have been presented at the *International Conference on Sustainable Computing and Artificial Intelligence (ICSCAI)* during *December 12-13, 2025 (Hybrid Mode)* in *Compucom Institute of Technology and Management, Jaipur, India*. These articles have been peer reviewed by the members of the *[name of the review body, for example, 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 International Conference on Sustainable Computing and Artificial Intelligence (ICSCAI) employed a rigorous double-blind peer-review process to ensure the highest academic standards. The procedure was managed as follows:

- **Submission Management:** The entire lifecycle of submissions, from initial intake to final camera-ready versions, was managed via the Microsoft Conference Management Toolkit (CMT).
- **Initial Screening:** Every submission (354 papers) underwent a preliminary desk review for generic quality, scope relevance, and suitability for the conference themes.
- **Independent Evaluation:** At least two independent evaluators looked over each submission that passed the first screening.
- **Expert Matching:** Reviewers were chosen based on how well the paper's topic fits with their area of expertise.
- **Decision Criteria:** A manuscript will only be authorised if both reviewers give it a good review. When there was a lot of disputes, a third senior reviewer was asked for their opinion.
- **Revision Lifecycle:** Authors of submissions that were rejected or "provisionally accepted" were given the chance to change their work based on the reviewers' comments. The final decision about the altered texts was clear.

To make sure the selection process was fair, the following rules were strictly followed:

- **Conflict of Interest (CoI) Mitigation:** Reviewers were automatically barred from assessing articles written by close collaborators or colleagues from the same institution.
- **Reducing Unconscious Bias:** Keeping reviewers and authors anonymous during the whole evaluation process helped reduce any biases.
- **Ethics Oversight:** The Volume Editors did a final check of all the assessment reports to make sure they were useful, fair, and free from outside influences.

2. QUALITY CRITERIA

Reviewers were advised exclusively judge the quality submissions based on how genuine their content was in the following ways:

- **Relevance to the Conference Scope:** How well the article's content fits with the main ideas of Sustainable Computing and Artificial Intelligence, which focus on energy efficiency and preserving the environment.
- **Originality and Novelty:** A clear example of a new idea in the field, like new algorithms or hardware solutions for green technology.
- **Technical Soundness:** The rigor of the research methods, the validity of the data analyses, and the reliability of the presented results.
- **Ethical Standards:** Adherence to the ethical codes of conduct relevant to research and AI development, including data privacy and responsible AI practices.
- **Clarity of Expression:** Accuracy in language, logical cohesion, and the quality of technical illustrations, figures, and tables.

In addition to reviewer evaluations, all articles have been checked for textual overlap using automated plagiarism detection tools integrated within **Microsoft CMT** and by the publisher to prevent any breach of academic integrity.

3. KEY METRICS

The following metrics reflect the rigorous selection process for the current volume of the **International Conference on Sustainable Computing and Artificial Intelligence (ICSCAI)**:

<i>Total submissions</i>	354
<i>Number of articles sent for peer review</i>	354
<i>Number of accepted articles</i>	42
<i>Acceptance rate</i>	11.86%
<i>Number of reviewers</i>	172

4. COMPETING INTERESTS

The conference ethics of scientific publication require that any competing interests be properly declared. For this volume, the following measures and declarations are in place:

- **General Declaration:** Neither the Editor-in-Chief nor any member of the Scientific Committee declares any competing financial or personal interests that could influence the editorial decisions or the integrity of the review process.
- **Institutional Independence:** While some editors and authors may share affiliations (e.g., Galgotias University), the review process was strictly managed via **Microsoft CMT** to ensure that no editor handled or influenced the decision of a paper from their own department or close research circle.
- **Reviewer Recusal:** In any instance where a potential conflict of interest was identified (such as a collaborative relationship between a reviewer and an author), the reviewer was recused, and the manuscript was assigned to an independent third party.

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