



Peer-Review Statements

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All of the articles in this proceedings volume have been presented at the 2nd International Conference on Advanced Maritime Interconnection (ICAMI) on June 25th, 2026, in Makassar, Indonesia. These articles have been peer reviewed by the members of the Scientific Committee and approved by Editor-in-Chief, who affirms that this document is a truthful description of the conference's review process.

1. REVIEW PROCEDURE

The reviews were conducted using a double-blind peer-review process, in which both the reviewers and the authors remained anonymous throughout the evaluation. Each submission was independently assessed by two qualified reviewers. The conference submission management system used was Open Journal System (OJS). All submitted manuscripts were initially screened by the editorial committee to ensure compliance with the conference scope, formatting requirements, and basic academic quality. Submissions that passed this initial screening were then assigned to reviewers based on their area of expertise, while carefully avoiding any conflicts of interest.

Each paper was evaluated based on criteria including originality, technical quality, methodological soundness, relevance to the conference themes, and clarity of presentation. A manuscript was considered for acceptance only if it received favourable recommendations from both reviewers. Authors of submissions requiring revision were given the opportunity to revise and resubmit their manuscripts by addressing the reviewers' comments within a specified timeframe. Revised papers were re-evaluated by the reviewers or editorial committee to ensure that all concerns had been adequately addressed. The final decision regarding acceptance or rejection was made by the editorial board and was considered final.

To ensure the integrity and quality of the review process, several measures were implemented. Reviewers were required to declare any potential conflicts of interest, and manuscripts were reassigned when necessary. The double-blind process was strictly maintained to minimize bias, and reviewer assignments were carefully managed to ensure fairness, objectivity, and academic rigor. In addition, plagiarism checks were conducted prior to final acceptance to ensure the originality of all accepted papers.

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 submitted manuscripts were subjected to plagiarism screening using similarity detection tools prior to final acceptance. Submissions identified with significant textual overlap or potential ethical concerns were either returned to the authors for clarification and revision or rejected outright, depending on the severity of the issue.

To further ensure research integrity, authors were required to confirm that their work was original, had not been previously published, and was not under consideration elsewhere. The editorial team maintained strict oversight throughout the review process to uphold academic quality, transparency, and ethical compliance in line with international publishing standards.

3. KEY METRICS

<i>Total submissions</i>	93
<i>Number of articles sent for peer review</i>	93
<i>Number of accepted articles</i>	28
<i>Acceptance rate</i>	30.11%
<i>Number of reviewers</i>	14

4. COMPETING INTERESTS

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

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