

## Guidelines for Special Issue Editors

The single spaced, four or five-page proposal (excluding bibliographical references) must feature the following:

- The title;
- The editors' names, their addresses, their institutional affiliations. Having a coordinator from a Southern country is recommended;
- A contextualization of the issue through a quick literature review and overview of current research, along with a discussion of the different perspectives on the topic;
- An argumentation presenting the editors' position in relation to the literature;
- The themes which the editors would like to cover;
- The framework for the papers (disciplinary / geographical / methodological / etc.), taking into account the critical dimension which has always been favored by the journal's editorial committee;
- The special issue's value added with regard to the debate, the influence, the valorization, and the outcomes (identifying "targets") which are expected to follow;
- Some bibliographical references.

The proposed call for papers will be studied by the editorial committee. It will then be submitted to a peer review by two anonymous referees who are specialists of the issue.

If the proposal is selected by the editorial committee, it will lead to a broad, public call for papers for 4,500-character-long article proposals including:

- The title;
- The research question;
- The theoretical framework;
- The fieldwork;
- The main results;
- Bibliographical references (they are not included in the character count).

The editors will select at most 10 article proposals and present them to the editorial committee. Once the committee has given its approval, the editors will ask the authors to provide their full paper.

A special issue comprises at most 5 articles + 1 introduction from the editors.  
A paper must be no longer than 40,000 characters (approximately 6,000 words), spaces and footnotes included (abstract and references excluded).

The editors must be willing to collaborate closely with the editorial committee's point person. They will provide her with accounts of the smooth and timely progress of the special issue, and will take into consideration her observations on its focus.

The editors, together with the editorial committee's point person, will find at least two referees per selected proposal, one of them at least being external to the journal. They may also provide help to authors elaborating or revising an article proposal should the latter request it, or should the editors consider that providing them with scientific support is warranted.

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