

**AMEC-10, 2016 MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSION GUIDE**

**Guides for Authors:**

1. The [manuscript submission site](http://amec-2016.ntut.edu.tw/site/page.aspx?pid=130&sid=3001&lang=en) is now open. Before submission, please make sure that your abstract has been accepted and your registration has been conducted. In your communication, please cite your abstract number and registration number.

2. The manuscript should be submitted to the following website:

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4. Prior to publishing in *Ceramics International* (Elsevier), authors must submit their manuscripts for peer-review.

5. Acceptance of papers for publication will be subjected to peer-review. Each accepted paper should be **WITHIN 6 PAGES** (final format) at a **PAGE CHARGE OF USD 300**. For the accepted paper with more than 6 pages, **ADDITIONAL USD 50 PER EXTRA PAGE** will be asked. The papers from the Plenary Speakers and Keynote Speakers can reach 8 pages at the same page charge of USA 300.

6. The deadline of article submission to the AMEC-10 is **Dec. 07 (Wed.), 2016** by 24:00, Taipei Time [GMT +8].

7. Only **ONE** article may be submitted for the publication in Ceramics International per registration.

**Manuscript Preparation**

**Use of word processing software**

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**Article Structure**

Follow this order when typing manuscripts: Title, Authors, Affiliations, Abstract, Keywords, Main text, Acknowledgements, Appendix, References, Figure Captions and then Tables. Do not import figures into the text - see Illustrations. Collate acknowledgements in a separate section at the end of the article and do not include them on the title page, as a footnote to the title or otherwise. Short communications should be kept to a maximum of four typewritten pages. A short communication should be a brief but complete description of an investigation, which will not be included in a later paper. It should be as completely documented as a full-length article.

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Divide your article into clearly defined and numbered sections. Subsections should be numbered 1.1 (then 1.1.1, 1.1.2, ...), 1.2, etc. (the abstract is not included in section numbering). Use this numbering also for internal cross-referencing: do not just refer to 'the text'. Any subsection may be given a brief heading. Each heading should appear on its own separate line.

***Introduction***

State the objectives of the work and provide an adequate background, avoiding a detailed literature survey or a summary of the results.

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A Theory section should extend, not repeat, the background to the article already dealt with in the Introduction and lay the foundation for further work. In contrast, a Calculation section represents a practical development from a theoretical basis.

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**References**

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***Reference style***

***Text***

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***Example:***

'..... as demonstrated [3,6]. Barnaby and Jones [8] obtained a different result ....'

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Reference to a journal publication:

[1] J. van der Geer, J.A.J. Hanraads, R.A. Lupton, The art of writing a scientific article, J. Sci. Commun. 163 (2010) 51–59.

Reference to a book:

[2] W. Strunk Jr., E.B. White, The Elements of Style, fourth ed., Longman, New York, 2000.

Reference to a chapter in an edited book:

[3] G.R. Mettam, L.B. Adams, How to prepare an electronic version of your article, in: B.S. Jones, R.Z. Smith (Eds.), Introduction to the Electronic Age, E-Publishing Inc., New York, 2009, pp. 281–304.

Reference to a website:

[4] Cancer Research UK, Cancer statistics reports for the UK. http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/aboutcancer/statistics/cancerstatsreport/, 2003 (accessed 13.03.03).

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