

Author Guidelines

General Information

Morals & Machines publishes original research contributions exploring the moral dimensions and dilemmas of artificial intelligence, and managerial, social, and regulatory solutions to govern artificial intelligence well. The journal is interdisciplinary in nature and welcomes contributions from the humanities, social science, law, and computer science, if they engage with matter related to the morality of machines.

Types of Papers

Research Articles – full-length papers of up to 6,000-8,000 words/45,000-60,000 characters including spaces (including references)

Research Notes – typically up to 3,000 words/22,000 characters including spaces

How to prepare a manuscript for submission

All material should be submitted via the Morals & Machines submission system:

<https://ojs3.nomos-journals.de/index.php/morals/about/submissions>

In your submission, please include:

1. Title Page, containing

- A concise and informative title
- Author names and affiliations, including the email-addresses of all the authors
- Corresponding author
- Acknowledgements, if desired

2. Blinded Manuscript, without author identifying information

- for formatting instructions, please see below

3. Figures and Illustrations

- for instructions, please see below

4. Should your manuscript be accepted for publication, in addition: Author Biographies with

- short bio of each author, approx. 45 words/300 characters including spaces
- ideally a picture of each author (portrait)

Manuscript Formatting

- Manuscripts shall be submitted as Word documents.
 - Font: Times New Roman
 - Font Size: 12 pt
 - Margins 2.5 cm
 - Double Line-Spacing



- Alignment: justified

Structure

- Manuscripts should begin with the following information:
 - title
 - up to 5 keywords, separated by semicolons
 - abstract, no longer than 100 words/800 characters including spaces
- Headings should be numbered, starting with 1. There may be a maximum of three heading hierarchies.
- Please insert two blank lines before all sub-headings.
- Paragraphs are to be separated by one blank line (without automatic spacing or indentation).
- Please capitalize all titles, headings and titles of publications in the bibliography.

Reference Style

- The reference section is to be headed “References” (without a heading number) and should ideally follow APA guidelines (<https://apastyle.apa.org/style-grammar-guidelines>).
- In addition, Morals & Machines also supports the Oxford University Standard for Citation of Legal Authorities (<https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/oscola>) for authors from the legal field.

Illustration, Figures, Tables, and Charts

- All illustrations must be numbered consecutively and denoted as “figure”. The title of the figure must be followed by a colon. Please cited the source below the figure if appropriate.
- Illustrations must be provided separately as editable powerpoint, ai, eps, psd or pdf files in printable resolution (300 dpi) with a size of about 2 MB.
- For optimal reproduction, please take into account the width of the journal’s pages (180 x 232 mm).

Miscellaneous

- In order to emphasize words, please use italics. If quotes contain italics, it is to be specified who inserted them.
- Manuscripts can either be written in British or American English.
- On their first occurrence, all abbreviations are to be spelled out. Common abbreviations, such as AI, do not require explanations.
- Please provide additional explanations in footnotes. Footnote numbers should be inserted after the closing punctuation.
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