

ICHSM-2026

Conference Paper Submission Guidelines

Participants are invited to submit original, unpublished research papers that align with the conference theme. Manuscripts should demonstrate scholarly rigor, originality, and adherence to international academic standards. Submissions that do not follow the prescribed format may be returned for revision.

1. Manuscript Format

- Paper Size: A4 (210 mm × 297 mm)
- Margins: 1 inch (2.54 cm) on all sides
- Font: *Times New Roman*, 12 pt
- Line Spacing: Single
- Alignment: Justified
- Paragraph Indentation: 0.5 inch for the first line of each paragraph
- File Format: Microsoft Word (.doc/.docx)

2. Title Page

- Title: Concise, informative, and not exceeding 15 words.
- Author Details:
 - Full name(s) of the author(s)
 - Institutional affiliation(s)
 - Email address of the corresponding author
- Author Bio: A brief biography (maximum 100 words) may be included on a separate page.

3. Abstract and Keywords

- Abstract: Maximum 300 words, summarising the research objectives, methodology, major findings, and significance.
- Keywords: Provide 3 to 5 keywords that capture the core themes or concepts of the study.

4. Main Text Structure

The paper should generally include the following sections (unless otherwise specified for creative or interdisciplinary submissions):

1. Introduction – Establishes the context, rationale, and objectives of the study.

2. Literature Review – Synthesises relevant scholarship and identifies research gaps.
 3. Theoretical / Methodological Framework – Clearly states the research approach or theoretical basis.
 4. Analysis and Discussion – Presents findings supported by textual or empirical evidence.
 5. Conclusion – Summarises key insights, implications, and directions for further research.
- Length: Between 3,000-4000 words, inclusive of abstract, keywords, tables, figures, references, and appendices.

5. Language and Style

- The paper must be written in clear, academic English.
- Submissions containing quotations in other languages must include authenticated English translations.
- Authors must proofread their work for grammar, spelling, and typographical accuracy.

6. Citation and Documentation

Choose one standard referencing style for the entire manuscript:

(a) APA 7th Edition

- In-text citations follow the *author-date* format, e.g., (*Smith, 2023*).
- The reference list must include all cited works, formatted according to APA 7th edition guidelines.

(b) MLA 9th Edition

- In-text citations follow the *author-page* format, e.g., (*Smith 45*).
- The Works Cited list should include all referenced sources following MLA 9th edition conventions.

7. Visual Elements

- All tables, figures, charts, and appendices should be clearly titled, numbered, and placed close to their first mention in the text.
- Captions must specify the source if not original.
- Visual elements must be relevant, high-quality, and properly referenced in the chosen citation style.

8. Ethical Standards and Plagiarism Check

- Submissions must be original and not under review elsewhere.

- A plagiarism report (Turnitin/iThenticate) with a similarity index not exceeding 15% must be submitted as a separate file.
- Plagiarised papers will be automatically rejected.

9. Submission Process

- Submit manuscripts electronically via the designated conference portal:
<https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/ICHSM2026>
- Include the following files:
 1. The main paper (without author details for blind review).
 2. A separate title page with author information.
 3. The plagiarism/similarity report (as supplementary file)

10. Review and Acceptance

- All submissions will undergo a double-blind peer review.
- Reviewers will assess originality, clarity, methodological soundness, coherence, and contribution to the field.

11. Important Note

- Late or incomplete submissions may not be considered.
- The Editorial/Scientific Committee reserves the right to edit accepted papers for clarity and style without altering their substance.