

Editorial Guidelines for the DLP Forum

Authors

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Submission

1. Submit your articles, along with your CV, to our editors using our [submission page](#). Please mention the title of your article in the subject line.
2. Authors should provide their biography (100-150 words), stating their role at their current institution/organization and a high-resolution picture to accompany the article.
3. Articles can be submitted by a single author or more.

Drafting

1. Write ups should be between **1000 to 1,500 words** (unless discussed otherwise with the editors).
2. The title should identify what your post is about in a clear and concise manner. It should be short, clear and interesting—about 40–80 characters, and no more than 110 characters.
3. Please write an abstract which will flag your point to your readers at the outset. It is typically intended to lay the groundwork for your article.
4. Arguments must be supported by evidence and transparent analysis.
5. When stating facts or quoting other authors, **cite the source** using hyperlinks when possible and footnotes only if necessary.

Editorial Policy

1. An article should fall within the scope of the **website's subject matter** and be in a style suited to the intended audience.
2. It should be **evidence-based, newsworthy** and **accurate** both factually and legally.
3. It must be original work. The Forum will not host any form of plagiarized content.
4. The Forum will reserve the right to share the articles across its social media platforms, with due attribution provided to the authors.
5. The Forum reserves the **right of refusal**. Articles may be denied submission if they:
 - Contain claims or information which could risk the safety of an individual, party or state,
 - Have the primary purpose of denunciation of an individual, party or state.
6. All submissions will be reviewed for **quality** and should be in line with our **editorial policy**.
7. The editorial team does not guarantee the publication of the articles.

Editorial Process

Once a submission is accepted, our editorial team may make edits to the language, content and structure to enhance clarity to the reader and make it consistent with our editorial guidelines, while ensuring that the content and views of the author are not compromised.

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