

Steps to prepare your paper for DIFCON ICCM 2026

Step 1: Sign up as an author in EDAS (<https://edas.info/> Ensure key in / update your correct information for institution etc), go to DIFCON ICCM link:

<https://edas.info/N34729>

Submit **MS Word file format (*.docx) only** for all the process.

Ensure **anonymity for initial submission** (for review purpose).

Step 2: Prepare your paper with the **Springer Paper Template Adapted to ASTI format** ([given here](#)).

High quality (and relevant) accepted articles will be invited for extension and consideration for the book proposal "*Sustainable Creativity in the Age of AI and Multimedia Technology*" which is under evaluation for inclusion in the IEREK Interdisciplinary Book Series, published by Springer Nature (<https://link.springer.com/series/15883>; **Scopus indexed**).

Other accepted papers will be invited for publication in MYCITE journals / other publication platforms, subject to meeting the individual journal's requirements.

Please note the following important points:

- a. Please be aware that **a high similarity percentage, any form of plagiarism, or detected AI-generated content may result in the rejection of individual chapters** and/or the complete manuscript. The similarity rate (SR%) should not exceed **15%** per chapter and no more than **5%** from any single source.
- b. Authors are **strictly refrained from any misappropriation** on publishing such as tortured phrases and inappropriate or irrelevant references. **Manuscripts may be withdrawn even after acceptance if any violations are detected.**
- c. The following are the instructions for the manuscript preparation:
 - The minimum length of the manuscript requirement is **6 pages, excluding the first page and references**, and the chapter should contain **at least 4,000 words**. Keep the **normal page** guide as **8-15 pages ONLY**; ensure not exceeding 20 pages.

- Each paper must include a minimum of **10** references and **a maximum of 30 references**.
- Webpage references are **not accepted**. All references should **be relevant to your study** and **visible by active DOIs** or other related identifications.
- Self-citations are **not allowed**, except where appropriate and approved by the Series Editor / TPC chair.
- Abstract must be **150-250 words** only
- All references listed **must be used** in the texts (vice versa); Tables / Figures are mentioned in the texts, for e.g. “as shown in Table 1”.

Step 3: Check your paper with Turnitin or any similarity checking tool. The paper similarity index must not be greater than 10-**15%**, and AI Writing must not exceed **5%**. You can remove the references list before the Turnitin check.

Step 4: Wait for the paper to be reviewed by at least two reviewers. Once the review processes are completed, you will receive an *Email Notification* for the results of the paper (acceptance or otherwise). Do get proofreading / editing service by native writers. Always check your junk mail or spam folder to avoid miscommunication.

For accepted papers only:

At the point of camera-ready submission, we will ask for:

1. A clean version of paper
2. Highlighted changes of the paper
3. Response to reviewers
4. Turnitin report and AI writing report
5. Image file (high quality) & permission of use (in case needed)

Your paper should be presented in ICCM 5-7 May 2026.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Editor / TPC Chair ICCM 2026