Drafting Guidelines

Articles

World limit

The article should not be longer than **10.000 words (± 10%).** The abstract should not exceed **250 words**.

Language

The articles can be written either in English or in Portuguese. Authors may provide the articles in both languages. For the articles written in Portuguese the article's title, keywords and abstract should be provided also in English.

Titles

Use an appropriate title and subtitle to best reflect your idea and to help promote the article. Preferably the title should not be more than 10 words. If a subtitle is included, the title and subtitle should not exceed the limit of 20 words. Note that following review, the editing team may recommend altering the title.

Minimum context & structure requirement

- Include author(s) identification and affiliation in footnote;
- Include an introduction, a conclusion and bibliography section;
- Include optionally a list of abbreviations;
- The text should not include any advertisement of products or services nor any affiliated links.

Style

The articles should be clear, succinct and logical. Complicated sentences should be kept to a minimum and long paragraph should be avoided as they can confuse readers. It is important that you write for a general audience. It is also important that your work is presented in a professional fashion.

Format

Please download the word document template of WhatNext.Law, available [insert link/word].

Refencing style

The referencing style used is Oxford University Standard for the citation of Legal Authorities (**OSCOLA**). You can find a detailed guide [here](#) and a quick reference guide with examples can be found [here](#).

Graphs, figures, tables and images: The source of graphs, figures, tables and images should be stated, including the link. It is at the editor's discretion whether these graphs, figures, tables and images will be published.

Keywords

When submitting your article please provide five (5) main keywords which describe the topic and subjects. Note that following review, the editing team may recommend altering the keywords.

Submission and review method:

The contributions should be submitted in word format to info@whatnext.law.

The articles submitted are subject to peer review.

Accepted articles will be published in digital and printed form.

Authors of successful submissions will be notified via email prior to the publication of the articles.

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