



#MMIRA2026 Global Conference  
**RESEARCH-IN-PROGRESS PAPER GUIDELINES**

Before submitting your Research-in-Progress paper, please carefully read and adhere to all the instructions in this guide. A template is provided at the end of the guide.

**Format:**

A Research-In-Progress paper submission should be a maximum of 1,500 words, excluding the Abstract, Keywords, References, Tables, Figures, and the Title Page with author details.

**SUBMIT two documents:** A separate Title Page and Main Text.

**REMOVE** personal data from the Main Text document before submitting.

Please use common fonts (Helvetica, Arial, Times New Roman) consistently at 11 pt throughout your submission (use 12 pt for the cover page). Use double-line spacing and a 2.54cm (1") margin on every side.

**Headings:**

- **MAIN HEADINGS** (all capital letters; bold) are first and should be used to identify the three or four major sections of your paper (ABSTRACT, RESEARCH OBJECTIVE & RESEARCH QUESTIONS, METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH, RESULTS/FINDINGS, DISCUSSION).
- **Second-level headings** (title-style; bold)
- *Third-level headings* (first letter of first word capitalised; indented and italicised)

**APA7 referencing:** We recommend referring to these hyperlinked editorial guidelines for details related to referencing

**Language:** English only. British English or American spellings are acceptable, provided they are used consistently in the paper.

**Tables and Figures.** Tables and figures should be placed in line with the text. They should be centred and numbered consecutively (one sequence for Tables, one for Figures) using Arabic numerals (e.g. Table 1, Figure 2, etc.) and have self-explanatory captions, as per the APA7 referencing style guide.

**Conference Proceedings**

Abstracts only will be published in the Conference proceedings.

**Presentation:**

Accepted developmental papers will be presented in **interactive or roundtable sessions** to encourage dialogue and feedback.

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## TITLE PAGE

### RESEARCH-IN-PROGRESS

Preferred Theme/s:

Theme 1:

Theme 2:

Discipline Area:

**ABSTRACT:** *(maximum 300 words, 12pt italics)*

**TITLE:** **(Bold/Centred; maximum of 15 words)**

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### Alignment to UN Sustainable Development Goals

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**TITLE:** (Bold/Centred; maximum of 15 words)

**ABSTRACT:** (*maximum 300 words, 12pt italics*)

**Keywords:** (max. six keywords that represent the content of the paper, 12pt regular)

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## RESEARCH OBJECTIVE & RESEARCH

- Theoretical lens

## METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH

- Research Design
- Sample

## PRELIMINARY FINDINGS/RESULTS

## DISCUSSION

- Areas where feedback is sought

## REFERENCES