Guidelines for authors preparing manuscripts for publication in the ICA publication series (Title of paper)

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# Introduction

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6. Main body
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8. Acknowledgements (if applicable)
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10. Appendix (if applicable)

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| Top | 25 | 1.0 |
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## Acknowledgements (optional)

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## Appendix (optional)

Any additional supporting data may be appended, provided the paper does not exceed the limits given above.

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