

## **Review Process**

The following are the steps that each manuscript of ICCMST 2026 undergoes during the process of blind peer review:

All submitted papers must be cutting-edge, result-oriented, and original, with plagiarism below 10%, and must fall within the scope of the conference.

All submitted manuscript are reviewed by internal editorial team to ensure adherence to the conference scope and research papers which have passed this initial screening are then assigned to the reviewer for evaluation.

Every manuscript will be reviewed by 2 reviewers. Reviewers will evaluate submissions based on the originality and novelty of the work, ensuring that the research contributes to new knowledge creation or innovative approaches to the emerging technologies of computing as well as the potential impact, significance of the research, and the adequacy of experimental or simulation results where relevant. The technical quality and methodological study will be carefully assessed, including the analysis and validity of results. The quality and relevance of the literature review and references will also be examined to ensure proper grounding in existing research. Submissions will also be judged on their relevance to the conference theme and alignment with conference scope. Reviewers will ensure that the paper is clearly and systematically is written, including the quality of figures and tables.

Once the reviews have been received, the required decision to accept or reject a manuscript, or to request revisions will be sent to the author in response to the reviewers' comments. If the decision is minor revision, authors will be given 7 days to resubmit the revised manuscript.

## **Publication Ethics and Malpractice Statement**

The ICCMST 2026 is committed to maintaining high standards of ethics in publication. As the proceedings of this conference, it is imperative that all parties involved in the process, authors, reviewers, and editors – adhere to the highest ethical standards. This statement outlines the ethical behaviour expected from all parties.

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