



Forman Journal of Economic Studies

Description and Outline of the Peer Review Process of Forman Journal of Economic Studies

The process of peer review involves an exchange between a journal editor and a team of reviewers (referees). Following double-blind method, the identity of both Author(s) and Referees is kept anonymous for proper assessment and to overcome the issues of biasness in reviewing process. In the following we shall briefly discuss the Peer Review Process.

Editorial Office Assessment

The review process starts from submitting the manuscript to the editorial board of the Forman Journal of Economic Studies. The first-hand editor examines the paper's composition and arrangement according to the "author's guidelines" available at the website of the journal. The quality of the paper is not reviewed in depth at this point, however, the paper at least should be well structured and suitable to be forwarded to the Editorial Board of the journal for further examination. Failing the least degree of quality may result into the rejection of the paper from the desk.

Appraisal by the Editorial Board

At this point the quality of paper is critically reviewed which includes compatibility of the paper with the Journal, either the work done in the paper is original and a considerable contribution to the field of context. If not, then the paper is rejected or accepted (in original, with major or minor changes) before proceeding the manuscript to the local referees.

Local Referee Review

The paper is proceeded to the local reviewer who shows his/her consents to work as a local referee. The job of the local referee is to first read in order to form an initial impression about the work and critically evaluate the paper as per HEC guidelines for referees. The review is submitted to the journal, with a recommendation to reject or accept (in original, with major or minor changes). Referee's comments and recommendations are communicated to the corresponding author. The author responds to referee's comments on prescribed response sheet before further proceedings. After the completion of this procedure, the paper is forwarded to the foreign referees.

Foreign Referees Review

Two foreign referees are selected as per their specialization relevant to the paper. The procedure of reviewing continues as per the HEC guidelines for foreign referees. The review is sent to the Editorial Office along with comments and recommendations given by the foreign referees which determines either the paper is rejected or accepted (in original, with major or minor changes). The comments and recommendations are communicated to the corresponding author for consideration on prescribed response sheet.

Editorial Board Decision

On the basis of the local and foreign referee's comments and recommendations, editorial board of the journal will decide whether the paper is suitable for publication or not.

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