



CODE OF ETHICS OF GTK JOURNAL

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1. Duties of the director and the editorial committee

1.1 They are responsible for the decision to publish the proposed articles or not. They may consult with the referees to make such a decision.

1.2 They assess the articles proposed for publication on the basis of their content, without discrimination on the grounds of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, ethnic origin, citizenship and political orientation of authors.

1.3 They undertake not to disclose information about the proposed articles to persons other than the author, referee and publisher.

1.4 They undertake not to use in their own research, without the express consent of the author, the contents of an article proposed for publication.

2. Duties of authors

2.1 They are required to declare that they have composed an original work in its entirety and provide the correct indication of the sources and contributions mentioned in the article.

2.2 They do not publish articles describing the same research in more than one magazine.

2.3 They correctly attribute the authorship of the work and indicate as co-authors all those who have made a significant contribution to the conception, organisation, implementation and reworking of the research underlying the article. If other people have participated significantly in certain stages of research, their contribution must be explicitly recognised.

2.4 When an author identifies a material error or inaccuracy in their article, they must inform the Editorial Committee in a timely manner with the provision of all information necessary to report the necessary corrections.

3. Duties of auditors

3.1 Through peer-review they help members of the Editorial Committee to make decisions on the proposed articles and may suggest to the author changes that improve the work.

3.2 They inform the Editorial Committee in a timely manner that it is

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3.3 Any text assigned in reading shall be considered confidential. Therefore, these texts should not be discussed with other persons without the express authorisation of the Editorial Committee.

3.4 They carry out the review objectively, giving adequate reasons for their opinions, in accordance with the guidelines for the evaluation of the articles provided by the Editorial Committee.

3.5 Each auditor shall report to the Editorial Committee any substantial similarities or overlaps of the text received in reading with other works known to them.

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3.7 They are required not to accept in reading articles for which there is a conflict of interest due to previous collaboration or competition relations with the author, company or institution to which they belong.