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Guidelines for articles of the focal topic



Structure and outline

Recommended structure

Title – optional subtitle – short summary – text (starting with an introduction) – conclusions – reference list – contact details (postal address, telephone number, email address) including your picture (300 dpi).

The text may be broken up using subheadings.

Structure of reference list (examples)

Dauber, J., Hirsch, M., Simmering, D., Waldhardt, R., Otte, A., Wolters, V. (2003): Landscape structure as an indicator of biodiversity: matrix effects on species richness. *Agriculture, Ecosystems & Environment* 98: 321-329.

Klein, N. (2007): *The Shock Doctrine*. New York, Penguin Books.

Sukopp, H. (1998): Urban Ecology – Scientific and Practical Aspects. In: Breuste, J., Feldmann, H., Uhlmann, O.: *Urban Ecology*. Springer Verlag Berlin, Heidelberg: 3-16.

Especially with grey literature it is useful to provide a URL, if available.

Concerning outline and citing please also refer to articles published in recent issues. They are available for download at www.geooekologie.de → Zeitschrift FORUM → Ausgaben.

Graphics and tables

It is recommended to loosen up each article with photographs and/or other graphics. The resolution of photographs must be at least 300 dpi (in the desired printing size)! Vector graphics should have a resolution of at least 600 dpi. Preferred formats are: tif, jpg, gif, png.

Please send all your photographs and other graphics as separate files, i.e. not embedded in the text (Word). The text should however include references to graphics / tables as well as captions (with sources, if available). Please keep in mind that printing will be done in greyscale. Make sure you've got printing permission for all graphs and tables.

Size

The length of the text should not exceed 18,000 characters (incl. space char.). The optimal size of an article would be two to four and a half pages. One page of pure text contains approx. 4,000 characters, with two images of 9*12 cm about 2,200 characters (each number without space characters). If you are planning a more comprehensive article, please contact the editors at an early stage.

Layout

The editors will take care of the final layout. Please keep your formatting as simple as possible, i.e. without any customized styles. Formatting like **bold**, *italic* etc. will be accepted, of course.

Editing

At least one member of the editorial staff will proof-read your article and contact you after applying corrections if there are questions open or to ask for your print approval.

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