

Call for Manuscripts - Spring 2018

Climate Change and its Impacts

Invitation to join as science reviewer or editor

- extended deadlines -

Increase the impact of climate research with Climanosco.

Climanosco's mission is to make climate science accessible to everyone. One way we do this is by supporting researchers in paraphrasing climate research so that it is readily understandable to a broad audience, and by freely sharing that knowledge with and promoting it to the public.

This spring 2018, at the request of Climanosco's community, we are asking climate scientists to submit manuscripts on impacts and phenomena of climate change from a climate science perspective in areas of relevance to humans.

Topics may include heatwaves, droughts, sea level rise, floods, landslides, air, water and soil pollution, water or food production / scarcity, and infectious diseases.

We're inviting you to join the effort by signing up as a science reviewer or editor for this spring 2018 call for manuscripts.

Joining as science reviewer or editor is fun, easy and makes you part of an exciting, worldwide community. As a science reviewer you will provide feedback on the manuscripts to ensure that content is sound and based on published research. As a scientific editor, you will be in charge of manuscripts, help authors use feedback to revise their writing and take the publication decision. We require science reviewers and editors to register as climate scientists with Climanosco. If you are not a climate scientist, we invite you to [volunteer as an accessibility reviewer](#).

Manuscripts are written by registered climate scientists. They should reflect the state-of-the-art of published climate research and be approximately 1500 words (3 pages), written in a language accessible to the general public. They can include pictures, illustrations and videos.

Participation offers:

- The opportunity to establish new connections with peers, world-wide
- An innovative, transparent and fully supported peer review process which includes science and accessibility reviewers

- The chance to help increase public knowledge about climate science

We would be delighted if you could [let us know of your intent to join as science reviewer or editor](#) as soon as possible but no later than **15 March 2018**. We look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you,

The Climanosco team

Additional information

Who can participate?

You are welcome to participate if

- you have published within the past 6 years, as one of the main authors, an article in a recognized peer reviewed scientific journal in the broad area of climate science; and
- you have completed or are enrolled in a master or doctoral level education in climate science or in a related area of natural sciences.

What does it cost?

- Participation is all free of charges, including registration, access to manuscripts, peer review, and publication.
- Articles are published in open access by Climanosco.

What's the publication process?

- A scientific editor will take in charge the manuscript after submission.
- The manuscript is then peer reviewed on both scientific and accessibility levels.
- Once accepted for publication, the article will be published in open access on our web site.
- A collection booklet will be published for this call and shipped on request to the participants for free.

Deadlines:

- **Notify us of your intention to participate by: 15 March 2018**
- **Manuscripts will be submitted by: 1 May 2018**

Contacts:

- For any question contact us at: call-spring2018@climanosco.org
- Information and updates on this call are available at: www.climanosco.org/call-spring2018

About Climanosco:

Climanosco is an open, independent, non-profit organisation led by climate scientists and citizens aiming at making climate science accessible to everyone. We registered the organisation in Switzerland in 2015 as an association and have a growing number of members from around the world. We are building a platform for the interaction between citizens and climate scientists where scientists can reach out and citizens can raise questions, access to knowledge and get involved in making science accessible. This is a bottom-up initiative set to make a change by raising climate literacy around the world.

How to participate

1. Let us know that you want to participate

Send us an email by 15 March at call-spring2018@climanosco.org with the reference of a peer-reviewed paper that you have authored in climate science in the past 6 years.

2. Register with Climanosco

To get access to manuscripts and peer review panels, please register as a Climanosco member at www.climanosco.org/register.

When you fill your online registration, make sure you check the boxes to register as a scientist and as a candidate on the editorial list as appropriate.

Registration is free of charge for all participants of this call. Registration can be cancelled anytime. We require that reviewers and editors be registered with Climanosco for the duration of the publication process for a successful publication to ensue.

3. Participate as science reviewer or editor

Here is a short summary of our peer review process and how you can participate as science reviewer or editor.

You may accept one or several manuscripts. We ask you to comply with our [Conflict of Interest Policy](#) upon accepting a manuscript.

Preliminary discussion (2-4 weeks): Manuscripts first enter in a 2-week preliminary discussion where reviewers can give a first feedback to the authors, along with all other members. Authors have another 2 weeks to edit their manuscript and finalize their submission. This step may be skipped for returning first authors.

Assignments (1-2 weeks): A scientific editor is requested to take in charge the manuscript and chooses the science and accessibility reviewers as required.

Open blind review (3 weeks): Assigned reviewers, along with other members, have three weeks to write their review report on the manuscript. Science reviewers are asked to evaluate science, relevance and presentation.

Open discussion (2 weeks): Reviewers, along with all other members, can give last feedbacks on the manuscript.

Revision (4-6 weeks): Based on the review reports and the open discussion, the editor gives a recommendation to the authors for the revision of the manuscript. Authors then revise the manuscript online and submit an author's reply. Based on the revised version the editor takes a final decision as to the publication.

Publication (1-2 weeks): Last proof-reading and editing, followed by publication on Climanosco's web site.

Selection of best manuscripts: If you wish, you may be candidate for election to the jury by the Board of Directors. The jury is composed of an equal number of members who are registered climate scientists and who are not. As a jury member, you will participate to the selection of the three best manuscripts of the call for manuscripts.

For more details on how to participate:

- [Guidelines for reviewers](#)
- [Guidelines for editors](#)

For more details on our peer review and publication process:

- [Introducing our research articles](#)
- [Introducing our extended peer review process](#)
- [Peer review criteria for manuscripts](#)

Don't hesitate to contact us at the email address above if you have any question.

4. Disclaimer

We might adjust the deadlines for the submission of the notifications of intent and the submission of manuscripts depending on the response we receive.

Depending on the number of expected or submitted manuscripts, we might also separate them in successive streams.

All participants will be notified in due time of any such adjustments.

Manuscripts not participating to this thematic call can be submitted anytime to Climanosco, but they will be streamlined as editors and reviewers become available. We thank the authors for their patience.