CENTRE FOR AFRO-IP LAW & POLICY RESEARCH

Guidelines on Submission of Papers, 2024

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1.2. The manuscript, including the Abstract and the footnotes, shall not exceed 5,000 words.

1.3. The manuscript shall be structured in accordance with Schedule I ANNEXED to these guidelines.

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2.1. Footnotes shall be in accordance with to the Harvard Citation & Referencing Style.

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