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1. Introduction

This document provides detailed guidelines for submitting papers to the ITU Journal: *ICT Discoveries*. Please consult the ITU Journal <u>paper submission template</u> for detailed instructions regarding the required format and structure of your submission.

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Does the paper clearly communicate its message? Are tables and graphics clear to read and labeled appropriately?

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References:

Does the article contain the appropriate referencing to provide adequate context for the present work?

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- Overall recommendation
- Reviewer familiarity

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