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Call for Special Issue Proposals

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A special issue consists of an editorial written by the guest editors and 5 – 8 articles (each 7.000 words, including notes, references, tables, figures, etc.), all of which will be sent out for peer-review. Proposals must fall within the thematic focus of the journal and point out the expected contribution to the field.

Special issue proposals should be approximately 5.000 words and must include the following:

1. A title of the special issue.
2. Outline of the topic and research question of the special issue, including the state of the art and the positioning of the special issue in the literature. In particular, this includes an outline of the relevance of the topic and contribution to the field, how the special issues discovers new grounds and contributes to discussions in the field.
3. Contact details and a biography of the guest editor(s) (200 words).
4. List of contributors including affiliations and short biography (150 words).
5. Abstracts for each paper (250 words each).
6. Planning statement including a timetable for initial submissions.

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The editorial team selects proposals based on originality, coherence, relevance and scientific potential of the proposal.

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Guest editors who wish to submit a special issue proposal to the *OZP* should email the proposal to *OZP* at contact@oezp.at.