



GEDT Working Paper Series – Submission Guidelines

I. About the series

The Institute / Hub for Environmental Governance and Territorial Development (Gouvernance de l'Environnement et du Développement Territorial - GEDT) produces cutting edge research and high quality education and training across themes including environmental governance, urban and regional development, and sustainable development. The *GEDT Working Paper Series* is a peer reviewed collection that aims to accelerate the public availability of research undertaken by GEDT researchers.

II. Scope

The *GEDT Working Paper Series* consists of novel contributions from ongoing research at GEDT addressing current theoretical, methodological, and substantive issues in environmental governance, territorial development, and sustainable development. The series encourages interdisciplinary collaboration. The intended audience is primarily the academic research community.

III. Submission guidelines

Who should submit?

Any current GEDT member or associated researcher can propose a manuscript for publication as a working paper. The *GEDT Working Paper Series* encourages collaboration between GEDT researchers. Preference may be given to articles co-authored by at least two GEDT researchers from different disciplines.

Why submit a manuscript to the GEDT Working Paper Series?

A high-quality working paper improves the impact of your research. GEDT working papers are scientific outputs that may ultimately be published as peer-reviewed articles or book chapters. A GEDT working paper receives helpful early review and feedback from peers and colleagues in the GEDT community and beyond.

What format should initial submissions use?

- Either French or English language submissions are welcome
- Articles should be no more than 12,000 words
- Abstracts should be no more than 350 words and contain 1) the significance of the research, 2) the research strategy and 3) the main finding
- Please provide a maximum of 5 keywords



- Please use the [APA in-text citation style](#).
- Figures should be submitted separately in png and pdf format (quality 300 ppi)
- Suggestions for 2-3 possible external reviewers are welcome, but not mandatory
- Please see the *GEDT Working Paper Series* [Template](#) for guidance on the final published format.

How to submit a paper?

Please submit in Open Document Format, Microsoft Word, WordPerfect, or Rich Text format to wp-gedt@unige.ch. GEDT working paper editors will prepare the final formatting.

Where are the GEDT working papers published?

GEDT working papers are published in the Open Archive of the University of Geneva (<https://archive-ouverte.unige.ch/>). Each GEDT working paper will be attributed a unique electronic and permanent document identifier (Digital Object Identifier DOI) to facilitate the citation of the paper. Authors retain the copyrights and therefore can submit the paper to a formal peer-reviewed journal at any time.

Please let the *GEDT Working Paper Series* editors know if your paper will be submitted to a peer-reviewed journal and when has been accepted for publication. The following statement will be added to any published GEDT working paper: "A revised version of this Working Paper has been published as a journal article and is available under <web address>. Please quote the journal article".

How will the series be promoted?

The *GEDT Working Paper Series* will be featured in the University of Geneva's Archive Ouverte. Each contributor could use additional dissemination tools, and we recommend then to link to the relevant existing communities at the University of Geneva.

IV. Review procedure

- i. A member of the editorial board evaluates the manuscript. All submitted manuscripts will receive feedback.
- ii. Manuscripts that meet the minimal standards for a scientific contribution will be assessed and commented by at least two reviewers
- iii. The review process ideally takes six to eight weeks, contingent on the number of manuscripts already under review.



- iv. Based on the reviewers' evaluation, the editorial board will decide if the manuscript is accepted for publication.
- v. Detailed guidelines for reviewers are available at www.unige.ch/gedt/wp-series.

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