**Guidelines for Associate Editors of a Special Issue of ARIMA Journal**

**Opening of an account on the ARIMA Journal.** In order to be assigned as editor of the corresponding volume, you must first of all be registered on the journal's website. You are already registered if you have been author or reviewer of an paper. Otherwise, you can do so by using "Login/Create an account" which can be found in the CCSD bar at the top of the home page [http://arima.episciences.org/](http://arima.episciences.org/)

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**Beware :** despite this, authors sometimes submit their paper to the current volume rather than the special issue, or even do not specify any volume. Therefore please ask authors to confirm when they have submitted their contribution. In case you are not notified of this submission by the journal, please let us know so that we can redirect it to the correct volume.

**Inviting authors.**

Let them know the journal website [http://arima.episciences.org/](http://arima.episciences.org/) and that the submission procedure requires prior submission of the paper on the HAL platform: [https://hal.inria.fr/](https://hal.inria.fr/). The submission procedure is described on page [https://arima.episciences.org/page/instructions](https://arima.episciences.org/page/instructions). Ask them to read these instructions carefully. This should avoid many problems later on.

**Paper Management.** As an editor, you are in charge of the submission evaluation process, from the choice of rapporteurs to the final decision of acceptance or refusal (with possible requests for revisions). When a paper is accepted we take over.

Note that a publication appears in the volume as soon as it has been accepted, without waiting until all submissions have been processed. You can therefore request revisions to certain papers without delaying the publication of those that have already been accepted.
Once all papers have been processed, you let us know so that we can close the corresponding volume.

It is appreciated that the editors write an editorial (in French and English) which is attached to the corresponding volume. This can be sent to us whenever you wish, for example at the completion of the special issue (if you wish to refer to the number of papers accepted).

You have a copy of the editorial guide. Only Section 7 (Submission Management) will be useful to you. If you have any questions we remain at your disposal. Requests will be sent to us at arima.editorial.board@inria.fr or more specifically at eric.badouel@inria.fr if they are only technical questions.

The only tricky points are (1) to insist to the authors when you ask them for a revised version that they update their HAL repository with this new version but that they do not make a new repository (which would be interpreted as a new submission) and (2) the way to contact a reviewer (described below).

Choosing a Reviewer.

As the services of the Episciences platform evolve over time, what you will find there may not look exactly like what you see here. But the principle of the three steps described below remain valid.

A reviewer must also register on the journal’s website. Soliciting a reviewer can be done in three steps (in the worst case):

By clicking on "Invite a reviewer" you will get the following pop-up window that shows you the list of people currently registered on the journal’s website. You can browse through the pages or use the "Search" field to find out if the reviewer you have chosen is there. Then you validate
If he is not there you change the default value "known reviewer" to "New reviewer".

The following window appears.
You must then check if this "new reviewer" has an account on CCSD (default value "Known user") by entering its name in "Search a user".

If you find him you click on "Submit". Otherwise you have to change the default value "Known user" by "New user".
You fill in the reviewer's name and contact information (he or she will be asked to create a CCSD account with which they can log on to the journal site). By clicking on the "Next" button, you will see the message that will be sent to him/her.

You can edit this message at your convenience. Then you send this invitation by clicking on the "Submit" button.
COPY EDITING

When a paper is accepted the final stage is “Copy editing” (see https://doc.episciences.org/en/users-guide/copy-editing/).

The first thing is to assign a copy editor to a paper

Every Guest editor is given the role of copy editor, so can play that role for the papers submitted to the special issue.

We use the option: "Copy editing by the author".

After accepting a paper you select “Ask the author for final version”
In the message template all bibliography data are automatically generated by the system but the pagination. Thus you must add manually the pagination (taking into account the previously published papers in the volume and the length of the paper).

The Copy editor check that the final version provided by the authors is correct which trigger a message to the authors so that they submit the accepted version to the open repository.

This message will include a link that the author should follow to submit the latest version to the journal. This will be the version published by the journal.

The copy editing step ends here.