Peer Review and Quality Control

The Journal is peer-reviewed. The peer-review implies analysis and evaluation of the paper by the independent experts in the relevant field aimed at improving the quality of papers and enhance their credibility. The peer-review helps Editors to make an objective judgement about the paper.

The journal applies a single-blind peer-review to every paper unless it is rejected by the Editor as non-conforming to the journal's scope and its basic criteria after the preliminary evaluation.

Standard period of the peer-review process takes from 3 to 7 weeks, however, can take longer and can't be bound by strict timeframes.

The Editor is responsible for preliminary evaluation of the paper, assigning the reviewers, checking the reviewers' reports, evaluation of the revised paper and taking final decision about the paper.

The reviewers are responsible for the proper scrutiny of the assigned papers, delivering clear, detailed, unbiased and professional assessment of its content and quality. The reviewers' reports shall serve as recommendations to the Editor who take the final decision about the paper.

After the peer-review, the Editor may take the following decision: (i) accept the paper with no further changes applied (publish as is); (ii) reject the paper from publication; (iii) send the paper to a next round review; (iv) to accept paper after revision. Final status of the paper is either Rejected or Accepted.

The main stages of the editorial and review process are shown in the flowchart below:

