Contributions to Contemporary History: Author guidelines

# Length, structure and layout of the contributions

The Contributions to Contemporary History journal accepts original contributions in Slovenian as well as in the following foreign languages: English, German, Serbian, Croatian, Bosnian, Italian, Slovak and Czech. During the publication procedures the editorial board will only accept contributions in the DOC or DOCX Microsoft Word format (Times New Roman font, line spacing of 1.5 lines), written in line with the rest of the guidelines:

1. Articles: The authors are responsible for the scientific content of the articles and precision of the information. The maximum length of texts is 50,000 characters (with spaces). The articles should be transparent and well‑structured. They should contain the work method, results, conclusions, as well as the following:

* title (lowercase, font size 16, bold, centred);
* abstract in English and/or Slovenian (maximum 250 words, font size 10, italics);
* keywords in English and/or Slovenian (up to five);
* main text (font size 12):
* paragraphs without spacing between them;
* titles of (sub)chapters should be lowercase and bold;
* summary of the discussion in English or Slovenian:
* title (uppercase, font size 12),
* up to 4000 characters with spaces.

1. Historical documentation: The maximum length of texts is 50,000 characters with spaces (font size 12). They should contain:

* author's name and surname (font size 12, centred);
* author's education and professional/scientific title, place of employment, address and e‑mail address;
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* titles of (sub)chapters should be lowercase and bold;

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* book reviews should include the names and surnames of authors or editors as well as the title of the book (font size 12, bold), publisher, place and year of publishing, and number of pages;
* reports from symposia, conferences and other events should:
* contain the precise title of the event as well as date and place of the event (font size 12, bold).

Any emphases that the authors wish to make in the text should be written in italics.

# References

The articles should contain complete scientific apparatuses. Footnotes should be used for references to sources and literature. In the Sources and References list all of the sources and literature referred to in the footnotes should be listed in the alphabetical order. Archive sources, literature, newspapers, online sources, oral sources etc. should be listed separately. The [Chicago-style citation](http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html) should be adhered to. When listing archive sources, the rules adhering to the Slovenian archive source citation guidelines ([click here](http://www2.sistory.si/publikacije/material/PNZ-citiranje-arhivi-en.pdf)) should be observed.

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# Proofreads, corrections and translations

The editorial board proofreads and edits the incoming contributions, and the authors must review the changes and authorise them. No additions to the text are allowed during correction. The editorship ensures the translation of the abstracts and summaries from Slovenian to English as well as from English to Slovenian.

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