

# IHRB Submission Guidelines

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IHRB guest commentaries are neither academic papers nor platforms for announcing projects. They should be written originally for IHRB's website (**1000 words max**) and if material is drawn from previously published documents or reports, it should be mentioned at the outset.

The best posts typically have the following elements:

- **Relevance** – make a clear link to a current policy issue, decision, event or consultation.
- **Research** – highlight a new piece of research evidence, or refer to a debate or theory that is relevant to current policy processes or debates.
- **Relaxed style** – engage readers through a direct and informal approach, offering a perspective accessible to a wide audience. .
- **Reading further** – include links to additional sources and useful evidence.

Posts that discuss specific events should focus on what key points, findings or arguments are most useful for a wide audience and take account of the Chatham House rule where applicable. The goal of commentaries reflecting on events is to share how opinions and policy debates may be impacted, rather than to just report what was discussed.

Submissions will be reviewed by IHRB staff who may propose edits to enhance clarity and readability. We strive to maintain clear communication with authors during the editing process.

As part of our editorial process, the following types of articles may require additional consideration:

- Articles that may raise the risk of libel or defamation;
- Articles where there may be risk of an author's potential conflicts of interest;
- Articles that require further evidence or clearer argument;



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