


Internet Policy Review criteria for desk rejections			
1) Relevant to Europe or pan-European issues			
Acceptable:	Topic, area, or concept is situated within the pan-European scope or robust connections are made to pan-European debates and issues.	Unacceptable:	Topic, area, or concept is outside the pan-European scope and no attempt is made to connect to pan-European developments or debates.
2) Relation to internet policy, broadly defined, including digital communication, diversity, governance, government, information and data, infrastructure, innovation, intellectual property rights, internet's connection to civil society, privacy, regulation and security			
Acceptable:	Fits the substantive content of the journal. Implications of the topic, area or concept are appropriately related to internet policy. High degree of relevance to a multidisciplinary readership focused on the internet.	Unacceptable:	Concept is underdeveloped and unrelated to internet policy, understood as including but not limited to the above-mentioned fields.
3) Fits the academic and scholarly standards of the Internet Policy Review Journal (six further explicated criteria)			
3) a) Relevancy: The publication fits the scope of the themes and is relevant to our diverse and multidisciplinary readership . Additionally, the contribution the manuscript makes is a meaningful one, introducing or advancing substantive ideas, positions or concepts.			

<p>3) b) Conflict of interest or external influence: Authors and their publications must be free of any external influences or conflicts of interest. Submission of the manuscript must have scholarly motivations, not others such as (but not limited to) business interests.</p>
<p>3) c) Quality of writing: The writing must be of the highest academic quality, be clear and organised, adhere to British English spelling and include appropriate referencing.</p>
<p>3) d) Sound analytical process: The manuscripts must contain a rigorous scientific and/or analytical process, as determined by the Internet Policy Review editors. This includes but is not limited to defined research questions and transparent protocols for analysis. We recognize that methods and methodology may vary based upon scholarly perspective . Non-analytical, that is purely descriptive texts do not meet the requirements to be published in the journal.</p>
<p>3) e) Appropriate form:  only publishes academic articles, opinion editorial articles, concept papers and glossary terms. Submissions such as reports (technical and non-technical), summaries and longer-form publications will be rejected. It is essential to adhere to the manuscript guidelines and style guide.</p>
<p>3) f) Original research or commentary: Main findings or insights must not have been published or submitted elsewhere.</p>