

# Instructions for CLiC-it 2023 Proceedings

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## Abstract

**English.** This document contains the instructions for preparing the camera-ready manuscript for the proceedings of CLiC-it 2023. The document itself conforms to its own specifications, and is therefore an example of what your manuscript should look like. These instructions should be used for both papers submitted for review and for final versions of accepted papers.

**Italiano.** *Sebbene la scelta della lingua del manoscritto sia lasciata alla discrezione dell'autore (si veda § 2.5), nel caso si opti per l'italiano è tuttavia richiesto che l'abstract sia scritto sia in inglese che in italiano (si veda § 2.6). L'abstract in italiano, se presente, va redatto in corsivo e posizionato in seconda posizione rispetto all'abstract in inglese.*

## 1 Introduction

The following instructions are directed to authors of papers submitted to CLiC-it 2023 or accepted for publication in its proceedings. All authors are required to adhere to these specifications. Authors are required to provide a Portable Document Format (PDF) version of their papers, **as well as the L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X source code**. The proceedings are designed for printing on A4 paper.

## 2 General Instructions

Manuscripts must be in two-column format. Exceptions to the two-column format include the title, authors' names and complete addresses, which must be centered at the top of the first page, and any full-width figures or tables (see the guidelines in § 2.6). **Type single-spaced.** Start all pages directly under the top margin. See the guidelines later regarding formatting the first page. The

manuscript should be printed single-sided and its length should not exceed the maximum page limit described in Section 3. **Do not number the pages.** This can be obtained by using the following command in the header of the document:

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\pagenumbering{gobble}
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### 2.1 Electronically-available Resources

Your PDF can be prepared using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X with the CLiC-it 2023 style file (clic2023.sty, adapted from the official ACL 2014 style file) and the ACL bibliography style (acl.bst).

You can alternatively use Microsoft Word to produce your PDF file. In this case, we strongly recommend the use of the Word template file (clic2023.odt) on the CLiC-it 2023 website.

### 2.2 Format of Electronic Manuscript

For the production of the electronic manuscript you must use Adobe's Portable Document Format (PDF). PDF files are usually produced from L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X using the *pdflatex* command. If your version of L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X produces Postscript files, you can convert these into PDF using *ps2pdf* or *dvipdf*. On Windows, you can also use Adobe Distiller or PDFCreator to generate PDF.

Please make sure that your PDF file includes all the necessary fonts (especially tree diagrams, symbols, and fonts with Asian characters). When you print or create the PDF file, there is usually an option in your printer setup to include none, all or just non-standard fonts. Please make sure that you select the option of including ALL the fonts. **Before sending it, test your PDF by printing it from a computer different from the one where it was created.** Moreover, some word processors may generate very large PDF files, where each page is rendered as an image. Such images may reproduce poorly. In this case, try alternative ways to obtain the PDF. One way on some systems is to install a driver for a postscript printer, send

your document to the printer specifying “Output to a file”, then convert the file to PDF.

It is of utmost importance to specify the **A4 format** (21 cm x 29.7 cm) when formatting the paper. Print-outs of the PDF file on A4 paper should be identical to the hardcopy version. If you cannot meet the above requirements about the production of your electronic submission, please contact the publication chairs as soon as possible.

## 2.3 Layout

Format manuscripts two columns to a page, in the manner these instructions are formatted. The exact dimensions for a page on A4 paper are:

- Left and right margins: 2.5 cm
- Top margin: 2.5 cm
- Bottom margin: 2.5 cm
- Column width: 7.7 cm
- Column height: 24.7 cm
- Gap between columns: 0.6 cm

Papers should not be submitted on any other paper size. If you cannot meet the above requirements about the production of your electronic submission, please contact the publication chairs above as soon as possible.

## 2.4 Fonts

For reasons of uniformity, Adobe’s **Times Roman** font should be used. In L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X2<sub>ε</sub> this is accomplished by putting

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\usepackage{times}
\usepackage{latexsym}
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in the preamble. If Times Roman is unavailable, use **Computer Modern Roman** (L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X2<sub>ε</sub>’s default). Note that the latter is about 10% less dense than Adobe’s Times Roman font.

## 2.5 Language

Manuscripts can be written **either in Italian or English**. It is advised to supplement characters and terms not belonging to the chosen language with appropriate transliterations and/or translations since not all readers understand all such characters and terms. Inline transliteration or translation can be represented in the order of: original-form transliteration “translation”.

Type of Text	Font Size	Style
paper title	15 pt	bold
author names	12 pt	bold
author affiliation	12 pt	
the word “Abstract”	12 pt	bold
section titles	12 pt	bold
document text	11 pt	
captions	11 pt	
abstract text	10 pt	
bibliography	10 pt	
footnotes	10 pt	

Table 1: Font guide.

## 2.6 The First Page

**Center the title, author’s name(s) and affiliation(s) across both columns.** Do not use footnotes for affiliations. Do not include the paper ID number assigned during the submission process. Use the two-column format only when you begin the abstract.

**Title:** Place the title centered at the top of the first page, in a 15-point bold font. (For a complete guide to font sizes and styles, see Table 1) Long titles should be typed on two lines without a blank line intervening. Approximately, put the title at 2.5 cm from the top of the page, followed by a blank line, then the author’s names(s), and the affiliation on the following line. Do not use only initials for given names (middle initials are allowed). Do not format surnames in all capitals (e.g., use “Schlangen” not “SCHLANGEN”). Do not format title and section headings in all capitals as well except for proper names (such as “BLEU”) that are conventionally in all capitals. The affiliation should contain the author’s complete address, and if possible, an electronic mail address. Start the body of the first page 7.5 cm from the top of the page.

The title, author names and addresses should be completely identical to those entered to the electronical paper submission website in order to maintain the consistency of author information among all publications of the conference. If they are different, the publication chairs may resolve the difference without consulting with you; so it is in your own interest to double-check that the information is consistent.

**Abstract:** Type the abstract at the beginning of the first column. The width of the abstract text should be smaller than the width of the columns

for the text in the body of the paper by about 0.6 cm on each side. Center the word **Abstract** in a 12 point bold font above the body of the abstract. The abstract should be a concise summary of the general thesis and conclusions of the paper. It should be no longer than 200 words. The abstract text should be in 10 point font. **If the contribution is written in Italian, authors are asked to write the abstract both in Italian and English**, otherwise the abstract should be only in English.

**Text:** Begin typing the main body of the text immediately after the abstract, observing the two-column format as shown in the present document. Do not include page numbers.

**Indent** when starting a new paragraph. Use 11 points for text and subsection headings, 12 points for section headings and 15 points for the title.

## 2.7 Sections

**Headings:** Type and label section and subsection headings in the style shown on the present document. Use numbered sections (Arabic numerals) in order to facilitate cross references. Number subsections with the section number and the subsection number separated by a dot, in Arabic numerals. Do not number subsubsections.

**Citations:** Citations within the text appear in parentheses as (Hack, 2011) or, if the author's name appears in the text itself, as Hack (2011). Append lowercase letters to the year in cases of ambiguity. Treat double authors as in (Jurafsky and Manning, 2012), but write as in (Cohn et al., 2020) when more than two authors are involved. Collapse multiple citations as in (Cohn et al., 2020; Hack, 2011; Jurafsky and Manning, 2012). Also refrain from using full citations as sentence constituents. We suggest that instead of

“(Hack, 2011) showed that ...”

you use

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If you are using the provided L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X and BibT<sub>E</sub>X style files, you can use the command `\newcite` to get “author (year)” citations.

As reviewing will **not** be double-blind, the submitted version of the papers **should include the authors' names and affiliations** and self-references are allowed.

**References:** Gather the full set of references together under the heading **References**; place the

section before any Appendices, unless they contain references. Arrange the references alphabetically by first author, rather than by order of occurrence in the text. Provide as complete a citation as possible, using a consistent format, such as the one for *Computational Linguistics* or the one in the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*. Use of full names for authors rather than initials is preferred. A list of abbreviations for common computer science journals can be found in the *ACM Computing Reviews* for Computing Machinery (1983).

The L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X and BibT<sub>E</sub>X style files provided roughly fit the American Psychological Association format, allowing regular citations, short citations and multiple citations as described above.

**Appendices:** Appendices, if any, directly follow the text and the references (but see above). Letter them in sequence and provide an informative title: **Appendix A. Title of Appendix**.

## 2.8 Footnotes

**Footnotes:** Put footnotes at the bottom of the page and use 10 points text. They may be numbered or referred to by asterisks or other symbols.<sup>1</sup> Footnotes should be separated from the text by a line.<sup>2</sup>

## 2.9 Graphics

**Illustrations:** Place figures, tables, and photographs in the paper near where they are first discussed, rather than at the end, if possible. Wide illustrations may run across both columns. Color illustrations are discouraged, unless you have verified that they will be understandable when printed in black ink.

**Captions:** Provide a caption for every illustration; number each one sequentially in the form: “Figure 1. Caption of the Figure.” “Table 1. Caption of the Table.” Type the captions of the figures and tables below the body, using 11 point text.

## 3 CEUR Specifications

All papers may consist of up to **5 pages of content**, references excluded. Papers that do not conform to the specified length and formatting requirements may be rejected without review.

Proceedings shall be submitted to CEUR-WS.org for online publication. Note that CEUR-WS distinguish between regular papers (**at least**

<sup>1</sup>This is how a footnote should appear.

<sup>2</sup>Note the line separating the footnotes from the text.

**25,000 characters, spaces and references included**), and short papers (at least 12,500 characters). 25,000 characters correspond to about 5-6 pages with the CLiC-it 2023 style. To be sure that your paper is considered as a long paper in the Proceedings, you should also check that the camera-ready version of the paper complies with this requirement. In case your paper does not reach 25,000 characters, it will simply be considered as a short paper in the Proceedings. However, there are no other differences with regular papers.

Dan Jurafsky and Christopher Manning. 2012. Natural language processing. *Instructor*, 212(998):3482.

## 4 Contacts - Publishing Chairs

For any question regarding the instructions for the CLiC-it 2023 proceedings please get in touch with Alice Suozzi ([alice.suozzi@unive.it](mailto:alice.suozzi@unive.it)) or Andrea Zaninello ([azaninello@fbk.eu](mailto:azaninello@fbk.eu)).

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