# Instructions for the Preparation of Papers for the Proceedings of IZS 2026

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Abstract—Instructions are given for the preparation and submission of the papers for the 2026 International Zurich Seminar on Information and Communication.

# I. SUBMISSION OF PAPERS FOR REVIEW

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# **III. PAPER FORMAT**

#### A. IZS Templates

The paper (A4 size, double-column format, at most half a dozen pages) should be formatted as the template file from the IZS 2026 website (see Section IV). It is available for  $\text{LAT}_{EX}$  and Microsoft Word.

Most authors will prepare their papers with  $LAT_EX$  [1]–[4]. You may download the  $LAT_EX$  style file, a sample LaTeX file, and the corresponding PDF file from the IZS 2026 website (see Section IV).

The use of Microsoft Word is not encouraged. However, acceptable formatting may be achieved by using the template.

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# B. Formatting

The left and right margin should be 14 mm and the top and bottom margin should be 30 mm for A4 (210 mm  $\times$  297 mm) paper. (However, as the top margins of electronic papers are notoriously difficult to control, we are prepared to correct the vertical margins.)

The style of references, equations, figures, tables, etc., should be the same as for the *IEEE Transactions on Communications*. Pages should not be numbered. The affiliation shown for authors should constitute a sufficient mailing address for persons who wish to write for more details about the paper.

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# IV. IZS WEBSITE

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