

## **Guidelines for Referees**

1. For first time referees, we do recommend that they go through the current issue of the e-magazine. Please see the same on [www.sephisemagazine.org/current/current.html](http://www.sephisemagazine.org/current/current.html)
2. Global South positions itself in-between a magazine and an academic journal. And so, we do sometimes accept articles/contributions based on secondary research. However, we try to carry at least a few articles based on original research and give such contributions preference. Our remit is to focus on 'South-South' exchange and we accept contributions from scholars based in south countries and usually writing on issues to do with the south. Comparative frameworks are encouraged and the aim is to promote exchange of information and research across scholars of south countries.
2. Our articles are usually a shorter length than in journals. We request authors to limit the articles between 3000 to 5000 words. This is much shorter than the usual journal length article.
3. We do follow standard conventions of presentation of academic papers, and the normal rules of referencing etc.
4. The article should be indicative of its awareness of the general state of research in the field. It should present its position in a way intelligible to general readers (non-specialists in the area). This is of particular importance given the nature of the e-magazine's readership, sections of which would be quite unaware of developments in the field elsewhere in the South.
5. Having been afflicted with the vice of plagiarism on part of some contributors in the past. We try to pass articles through a quick search on the internet, and would request referees to be alert to this possibility.
6. We follow the 'double-blind system'. The comments of the referee, if any, are sent to the author in question, and s/he is asked to incorporate the same. Once the changes are

done, we check with the referee's recommendations and comments. Sometimes, we send the revised version back to the referee if deemed so necessary by the editorial board.