



Access to Justice in Eastern Europe

AJEE CHARGES POLICY (Updated Version)

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AJEE Charges Policy

The publication of accepted articles in *Access to Justice in Eastern Europe* (AJEE) is supported by Academic Insights Press (AIP). We are committed to enabling equitable access to publication and actively support the transition to full Open Access. We display our APC transparently to demonstrate that publishing carries real costs, but also ensure that no author faces a financial barrier.

The Article Processing Charge (APC) may be covered in a variety of ways, including:

1. Institutional agreements or national consortia that have arrangements with the publisher;
2. Third-party funding from research grants, academic programs, or international donors;
3. Direct author payment, where no institutional or external support is available;
4. APC waivers or discounts provided by AJEE for authors from low- and middle-income countries or others with limited funding;
5. Waivers for selected high-impact submissions, with at least 20% of content in every issue published free of charge;
6. Waivers on request, considered individually after the editorial acceptance of the manuscript.

Authors are encouraged to inform the editorial office of any existing funding or institutional agreements at the time of submission.

All published articles are made freely and permanently accessible online immediately upon publication. AJEE does not charge submission fees, nor are there additional charges based on article length, figures, or supplementary data. There are no additional charges based on article length; however, in cases where authors wish to publish **extended articles** beyond the typical word limit, we may offer this option upon request and subject to prior agreement with the editorial office and the publisher.

Some content types, such as editorial notes, retractions, corrections, or conference announcements, are published free of charge.

Authors may also benefit from our **Online First option**, which allows articles to be published online as soon as they have completed peer review, editorial processing, and final proof corrections. This ensures prompt visibility and citation, even before inclusion in a regular issue.

AJEE offers APC **waivers or discounts to active reviewers, editors and members of the editorial board** in recognition of their valuable contribution to the peer review and editorial process. This policy reflects our commitment to supporting and acknowledging those who help maintain the journal's academic quality and integrity.



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Research Article	1920 euros
Case Study	1350 euros
Reform Forum's Article	1350 euros
Review Article	1550 euros
Opinion Article	1550 euros
Book Review	1050 euros
Commentary	1050 euros

Value Added Tax (VAT), where applicable, is payable in addition to these fees.

Fast Track Option

For authors seeking accelerated review and decision timelines, AJEE offers a **Fast Track** option. Under this scheme, the editorial office commits to providing a first decision within **20 working days** from submission. This option is subject to availability and editorial capacity, and requires an **additional fee of 50%** of the standard APC. Authors interested in this service should contact the editorial office prior to submission.

Author and User Support

At AJEE, we prioritize author and user support, offering comprehensive assistance throughout the publishing process to ensure their success. Through our dedicated resources, we empower authors and reviewers to conduct and promote impactful research, while also providing tools to track the impact of their work.

Authors are welcomed to join our webinars and training sessions, tailored specifically for them and reviewers, as we believe in equipping our community with essential knowledge and information. Our commitment lies in fostering a collaborative and informed environment, where authors and users can thrive and achieve their publishing goals with confidence.



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Marketing and Business Development

We welcome open debate and discussion, supporting and managing an open and transparent commenting functionality on published articles for registered users. AJEE uses social media, digital media, newsletters, and webinars to promote and highlight the work of authors, reviewers, and editors. There is a proactive communications team that collaborates with authors and institutions to communicate authors' work to both scientists and society. AJEE's editor on social media promotes articles and initiatives through editorial campaigns and events to specifically highlight authors' work. We use the following social media platforms:

on [LinkedIn](#)

on [Academia.edu](#)

AJEE staff support and trainings

AJEE recognizes the paramount importance of staff support and continuous training, demonstrated by its active involvement in reputable organizations like COPE, successful collaborations with the European Association of Science Editors, and participation in professional development programs such as the Editorial School, aimed at enhancing the qualifications of its dedicated team.

Additionally, AJEE staff's membership in the Ukrainian regional chapter of EASE further exemplifies their commitment to upholding high editorial standards.

From Submission to Publication Checks

Articles submitted to the Journal first undergo an editorial process, which assesses article scope and eligibility, checks for plagiarism and AI detection, and verifies data. Before, during, and after these checks, the assigned editor also responds to editorial inquiries and provides authors with information on what is required for the full prepublication checks to begin. Since May 2023, AJEE has been cooperating with Scholastica for submission and peer review services. The peer review process is a core component of the publishing process, and the assigned editor is responsible for its oversight and management. When a review is submitted, the editorial team checks the review and its accompanying peer review status.



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Production

Before an article is published, the production team provides proofs and performs quality checks on citations, references, image resolutions, and ensures that persistent identifiers are correctly assigned and resolved.

Editing and Proofreading

Editing is an essential part of the writing process, ensuring that a piece of content is polished, coherent, and error-free. Our team of native English-speaking editors is dedicated to providing top-notch editing services to authors, helping them refine their work to the highest standard. From correcting grammar and punctuation to improving sentence structure and clarity, our editors meticulously review each document to enhance its overall quality and readability. We take pride in assisting our authors on their journey to creating impactful and well-crafted pieces. With our expert editing, authors can be confident that their message will be conveyed!

Services after Publication

Once an article is published, AJEE creates a dedicated page for each article that displays article-level metrics for authors and readers to see and measure the impact of their work (Dimensions). AJEE ensures all articles are fully discoverable. For articles that pass peer review, AJEE sends content to all the major bibliographic indexers across our subject areas (Scopus, Web of Science, Heinonline, DOAJ).

The journal has been accepted for indexing by these major databases and ranked accordingly. Nevertheless, authors must not rely on the indexation of their publication as a part of the publication process. Neither the journal nor the publishers are responsible for the indexation, and it should not be considered as a part of the publishing process.

AJEE Website Development

AJEE has a scalable, custom-built publishing infrastructure supporting the open research publishing process, including registration, submission, publication, post-publication peer review, and article versioning. This technology is regularly improved and customized to meet the needs of authors and reviewers, ensuring high-quality publications.



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AJEE continually innovates its web-based publishing technology to make articles more dynamic, interactive, and reproducible, enhancing the overall user experience and making its content widely discoverable.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we implement these updates to improve our publication process.

For further details, please contact our editorial office editor@ajee-journal.com

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