

## ***CIT Letters and Reviews***

The editors of ***Current Issues in Tourism*** will introduce two new sections in 2011; ***CIT Letters*** and a re-invigorated ***Review*** section.

***CIT Letters*** is intended as a forum for the rapid publication of novel research that transforms our perspective on important issues relevant to tourism studies. Given the nature of tourism as an applied subject area, research which particularly affects society, business and policy will be especially pertinent.

***CIT Letters*** will publish concise communications (Letters), short reports, comments and research notes. The editors seek submissions that merit rapid publication for their originality, general interest and contribution to new developments in the field. Contributions will be limited in length (2000 words) allowing readers to determine their potential interest in a Letter very quickly. Manuscripts will be current and topical and clearly articulate the significance of their findings for tourism policy and practice.

The purpose of a Letter is the rapid disclosure of the key elements of a research study. As such, it contains a short abstract, a very limited introduction or discussion of the literature, and a focus on the methods used and the results obtained. A Letter contains a limited number of display items (three figures or tables maximum) and references are limited to the minimum necessary. If needed, supplementary materials (e.g. datasets or multimedia elements) can be provided and published online. The subject matter of a Letter can be theoretical, methodological, an empirical study or an application such as a policy or practice that the author wants to disseminate rapidly. As a channel for rapid publication of new and original ideas, ***CIT Letters*** will be a place for quickly disseminating theoretical and experimental results, and a means of publishing new approaches that are sound and of interest to the community, but may not yet be fully supported by implementation and experiment.

***CIT Letters*** especially welcomes submissions outlining:

- Innovative approaches to persistent problems or early detection of emerging ones
- Applications and case studies that demonstrate a novel use of existing techniques or contain significant ideas about data collection and analysis, modelling, or implementation
- Investigations in areas evolving particularly rapid or where time is a crucial issue
- Contributions which are likely to have an immediate influence on the research of others.

***CIT*** is also reinvigorating one of the original aims of the journal, to publish reviews as longer than average papers to provide in-depth critiques of sub-fields of tourism and related areas. The ***Reviews*** are designed to spark off further reader response on the key issues and topics that make up the stuff of tourism studies. Each review will provide the reader with the development of the relevant literature, keep the reader up-to-date on advances in the fields of tourism research, offer perspectives on future developments and research agendas as well as providing an extensive reference list.

***CIT*** seeks submissions on topics that meet the overall aims of the Journal that examine the main sub-fields of tourism including events, hospitality, leisure and travel; as well as the types of tourism such as say, heritage or eco-tourism. It will also encourage reviews of the status of regional or national research, and perspectives including economics, geography, marketing and human resources. ***Reviews*** will take a critical and sometimes controversial stance to the development of the literature in a sub-field of tourism. The ***Reviews*** will provide papers that are an essential reference source for

both new and experienced academics and informed practitioners on a global basis.

Authors are encouraged to use bibliometrics to identify key contributions and may submit additional materials for online publication that augment and improve the *Reviews*. *CIT* seeks to publish up to four *Reviews* per year. A typical paper should be between 15,000 and 25,000 words, with a 200-250 word abstract.

For both the *Reviews* section and *CIT Letters*, one author should be identified as the Corresponding Author and include their full name, affiliation, postal address, telephone and fax number and email address on the cover page of the manuscript. All other authors should provide full names, affiliations and email addresses.

*CIT Letters* and the *Reviews* section will commit to a swift response to submitted papers and will endeavour to ensure a 12-week turnaround time for each cycle of the review process. All submissions will be peer reviewed and, following a positive decision, accepted manuscripts will be available electronically as soon as they are ready for publication. They will subsequently appear in the paper version of the journal. Thus, possible space limitations in the paper journal will not be a barrier to rapid publication.

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Submission of papers should be through the Current Issues in Tourism Online Submission site: <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/cvp-cit>

	<b>CIT Letters</b>	<b>Reviews</b>
Aim	Rapid communication of original findings	Critical review of a sub-field of tourism
Abstract	50-100 words	250 words
Length	Up to 2000 words	15,000 - 25,000 words
Diagrams	3 maximum	10 maximum
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