

How to Publish in High Impact Journals

A Two-day workshop at Universitas Andalas, Padang, Indonesia

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Synopsis of Workshop

Being able to write good journal article is becoming a key ingredient for successful appraisals, promotions and career mobility. The main objectives of the workshop is to enhance the writing skills of academicians, researchers and students to reach a level that is necessary for journal publication. The program comprises of lecture sessions on how to write abstract, introduction, methods, results and discussion sections. Numerous examples are provided to guide the authors to build convincing sentences and arguments using suggested phrases and words. The facilitator will share his experience as the former Editor of IEEE *Transaction on Sustainable Energy* to provide insights on how to handle the reviewers comments and strategies to get the paper accepted. The workshop will also touch on the ethics of publication and plagiarism.

Tentative Program

DAY 1

08:30-09:15: Session 1(a): Motivations to publish in high impact journals
09:15-10:00: Session 1(a): *h*-index, citations, databases, choosing a journal
10:00-10:30: Coffee Break
10:30-12:00: Session 2: How to write good Titles, Abstracts, Introduction Section
12:00-13:30: Lunch Break
13:30-15:00: Session 3: Editorial Perspectives and Handling Reviewer Comments
15:00-15:30: Coffee Break
15:30-16:30: Session 4: Ethics of Publication

DAY 2

08:30-10:00: Session 5: The Results, Discussion and Conclusions Section
10:00-10:30: Coffee Break
10:30-11:30: Session 6: Overview on Writing Review papers
11:30-12:00: Session 7: Getting Started! Q&A
END OF WORKSHOP

Facilitator Brief Bio-data

Prof. Dr. Zainal Salam obtained his B.Sc (Electronics Engineering), M.E.E (Electrical Engineering). and Ph.D (Power Electronics), from the California State University (Chico, California), Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM, Kuala Lumpur) and University of Birmingham (UK), in 1985, 1989 and 1997, respectively. He has been a lecturer for 30 years and is now the Professor in Power Electronics and Renewable Energy at the Centre of Electrical Energy Systems, Faculty of Electrical Engineering UTM. Prof. Zainal was the *Dean of Research* for Energy Research Alliance- overseeing and managing energy related research work in the University. He has authored and co-authored over 200 papers (with more than 3,350 citation, *h*-index 27) in various technical journals and conference proceedings. Since 2011, he has been the Editor of IEEE TRANSACTION ON SUSTAINABLE ENERGY and a member of Editorial Board for the Scientific World Journal (Hindawi Publishing Corporation). In addition, he has been a regular reviewer for various IEEE transactions and Elsevier journals. Prof Zainal is involved in over 30 research projects and consulting works on power converters, solar energy and machine control. His main interests include all areas of design, instrumentation and control of power electronics renewable energy systems.