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Title	Not more than 10 words	
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Keywords	Up to 5-6 keywords given below the abstract	
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	Journal articles	Kawamura, S. (2016), "The Politics of Studying Religion in Modern Japan- Review of the Intervention of Religion in Japan" <i>Religious Studies Review</i> , Vol. 42 No 4, pp 233-315.
	Working papers	Gallego, A.J. and Ott, D. (2015), "50 Years of Later: Reflections on Chomsky's Aspects", MIT Working Papers in Linguistics, No. 77. MIT.
	Published conference proceedings:	Jakkilink, R. (2007), "Information and Communication Technologies in Tourism" 2007 Proceedings of International Conference in Ljubljana, Slovenia 2007, Vienna, Springer-Verlag, pp. 12-32.
	Unpublished conference proceedings	Aumueller, D. (2005), "Semantic authoring and retrieval with wiki", a paper presented at the European Semantic Web Conference, Heraklion Crete, 29 May-1 June, available at : <a href="http://dbs.unileipzig.de/file/aumueller_05wiksar.pdf">http://dbs.unileipzig.de/ file/aumueller_05wiksar.pdf</a> (accessed 20 February 2007).
	Encyclopedia entries (un authored)	Encyclopedia Britannica (1926), "Psychology of culture contact", Vol 1, 13 <sup>th</sup> ed., London and New York, Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 765-771. [for authored entries, please refer to book chapter guidelines above].
	Newspaper articles	Smith, A. (2008), "Money for old rope", Daily News, 21 January, pp.1, 3-4. If unauthored; Daily News (2010), "Small change", 20 April, p. 2.
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