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# ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH WATER

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## Instructions for authors for providing an outline

The ERW Editorial Board supports the journals Reviews programme through inviting outlines for submission. Authors invited to contribute a Review article to ERW will be asked to complete an outline within a month of accepting an invitation.

The article outline should be sent to the journals Publisher for further discussion: [lauren.carter@iopublishing.org](mailto:lauren.carter@iopublishing.org). Following feedback and approval by the Editorial Board, authors will be invited to submit a full Review article within six months.

The article outline review stage enables the Editorial Board to appreciate the direction and scope of a proposed article, and can help to minimise the extent of revisions required during peer review, with the Editorial Board sending across comments for authors to consider before writing their full Review article.

### Review articles in ERW should be:

- On a broad interest topic and/or interdisciplinary in scope
- Timely and on a topic warranting review
- Address at least one of the following; global change, nexus, resilience, mitigation, adaptation, security, solutions to providing sufficient water of suitable quality
- Written by an expert in the field and/or systematic in the approach used to gather the literature

### The outline should be composed of two sections:

#### 1. Description of the article, including:

- A working title (and abstract if possible).
- A summary of the work, a less than 500 word description and/or a list of headings and subheadings, detailing the intended coverage of the Review.

#### 2. Justification of the article, by answering the following questions:

- What is the motivation for the article and why is a Review article needed?
- Have there been recent Reviews on the topic? If so please list and reference them.
- What criteria have you used to select the articles featured in the Review?
- What outcomes do you anticipate from the Review and/or, if you are defining them, what hypotheses will be tested by the Review?

**Please provide an estimated date for submission if longer than six months**