

## INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS/AGROALIMENTARIA JOURNAL

### Formats and options for submit articles and contributions:

*Agroalimentaria* is a refereed indexed journal, specialized in the area of social sciences related to agriculture, food, nutrition, rural development and topics linked with the environment and sustainability of agro food systems. Articles and reviews should be sent in 1.5 line spacing in letter size paper (21.59 x 27.94 cm), with symmetrical margins (1 inch or 2.5 cm.) and 12-point Times Roman type style (by using Microsoft Word or Open Office as text editors). Maximum length for articles is 25 pages (10,000 words); and 5 pages (2,000 words) for reviews, including tables, graphics, figures and photographs. However, Editor reserves himself the right to request more extensive articles or reviews. The latter should be sent in separated files, together with the text, clearly indicating where they should be inserted. Manuscripts can be written in Spanish, English, French or Portuguese.

### Presentation norms for *Agroalimentaria* Journal:

*Agroalimentaria* appears twice a year, both printed and in electronic version. Its printed version is in 1/8 format (or ISO B5), with two columns. It publishes articles in four languages, and abstracts appear in the initial pages in Spanish, English, French and Portuguese, in a single column. It is printed in bond paper, and its cover, in glassé paper with two colors (black and light blue) includes varied designs combining circles in different sizes. The cover contains the volume and number identification, the span of time, both (printed and electronic) ISSN, the Journal's Website and also the sponsoring institution. The back cover presents the index, in the original language of each contribution.

### Guidelines for presenting bibliographical references inside the article and for final References list:

Please follow the American Psychological Association (APA) style for both, in text citations and bibliographical references (How to Write Citations and Bibliographies in APA Style, 6th Edition, at <http://www.apastyle.org>). Briefly, all references in text citation should include the last names of the author(s), and the year of publication, as follows: Garcia Lobo & Padron Guillen (2012), or (Garcia Lobo & Padron Guillen, 2012). In case of quotation, add the page number after the year of publication: Garcia Lobo & Padron Guillen (2012: 63); or Llambi (2012: 19-20), if it refers to more than one page. If the reference has more than two authors, the first time all their last names must be mentioned: Vazquez González, Sineiro Garcia, Lorenzana Fernandez, Garcia & Arias (2012). In subsequent mentions, just write the last name of the first author followed by the phrase "et al." in italics: Vazquez Gonzalez et al. (2012). At the end of the article, manuscript should include all

references cited, as follows (do not ever use bold type):

- a) Books: Use the basic form: Author, A. A. (date). Title (in italics). City: Publisher. **Example:** International Food Policy Research Institute, IFPRI. (2013). 2011 global food policy report. Washington: IFPRI.
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- c) Books or articles, with DOI (Digital Object Identifier, d.o.i.): Use the same manner as in a) and b) items, adding the respective d.o.i. at the end of the reference. **Example:** Pinstrup-Andersen, Per (2013). Can agriculture meet future nutrition challenges? *European Journal of Development Research*, 25, 5-12. doi:10.1057/ejdr.2012.44
- d) Internet publications: Use the same manner as in a) and b) items, then adding the phrase "Retrieved from", before the URL or Web address (excluding date of recovery of the document). **Example:** Altschuler, B. (2012). "Fronteras sociales y asimetrías en la vitivinicultura mendocina actual". *Cuadernos de Desarrollo Rural*, 9(68), 151-175. Retrieved from <http://www.redalyc.org/articulo.oa?id=11723114008>
- e) Book chapter or entry, in reference work: Use the basic form: Author, A. A., Author, B. B. & Author, C. C. (Date). Title of chapter or entry. In Author, D. D. (Ed.), Title of book (pp. xx-xx). City: Publisher. **Example:** Gatti, S. (2009). Protected Designation of Origin, sustainable development and international policies: A survey of DOC Winwa. In De Noronha Vaz, T., Nijkamp, P. & Rastoin, J. L. (Eds.), *Traditional food production and rural sustainable development. A European challenge* (pp. 255-266). London: Ashgate Publishing Limited.

### Manuscript structure for original articles:

1. *Agroalimentaria* only publishes original articles (it does not accept papers that have been previously published elsewhere, with the exception of working papers series). Original contributions (i.e., resulting from a theoretical or empirical research project, or one that combines both aspects; or else they analyze publications about different interest areas of our Journal listed at the beginning) will have priority over communications, technical reports, and letters to the Editor.

#### 2. Article sections:

Articles should have the following specifications or sections:

- TITLE (in all the languages of the Journal), not longer than 15 words.
- ABSTRACTS: in English, Spanish, French and in Portuguese, between 250 and 300 words.

- KEYWORDS: between 5 and 7.
- INTRODUCTION: including explicit or implicit OBJECTIVES.
- TABLES, GRAPHICS, MAPS OR OTHER OBJECTS (specifying the sources of the information contained in them, and the place in the text).
- DISCUSSION OF RESULTS.
- CONCLUSIONS.
- REFERENCES.
- ANNEXES (if necessary; numbered if they are more than one)
- SHORT CURRICULUM VITAE (CV) OF AUTHOR/S: indicating all the academic degrees, place of work or adscription, current position, research line/s, postal address, phone number and e-mail (if in doubt, see format in <http://saber.ula.ve/ciaal/agroalimentaria>). This is also necessary for Book Reviews and other contributions. Manuscript structure for original articles:

### **Abstracts and keys words:**

Each of the four abstracts should have between 250 and 300 words and include the central argument of the article, its methodology and the principal conclusion. Key words (between 5 and 7) should provide descriptive elements to place the article in its field of knowledge. Articles that do not meet this requirement will not be received.

### **Format, length and further norms for presenting illustrations, figures, pictures, charts and objects in general:**

Place each table, graphic, figure and photographs on a separate page at the end of the paper. Please identify its place in the text, and send all of them in separate files in MS-Excel, MS-Power Point (or .jpeg/.gif extension files). If software is used, this should be specified. Place legends for figures/tables at the bottom of each one, flush left, and bold. Capitalize only the first letter of the first word and using Arial 10 type style. Sources should use the same format indicated in Norms for Authors. All tables, graphics, figures and photographs should be consecutively numbered in Arabic numbers.

**NOTE:** As *Agroalimentaria* is published in black and white, all tables, graphics, maps, figures or photographs should use fillings that can be clearly distinguished rather than colors or shades.

### **Refereeing criteria for reviewing of contributions:**

Articles will be considered by the Editorial Board of *Agroalimentaria* in order to decide if they may be sent to referees or returned to their authors/s if they do not follow editorial norms. Articles will be submitted to at least two anonymous referees from national or international institutions. Evaluations are strictly

confidential (double blind system). Once adjudicated, the item will have one of the following statuses: a) Accepted without revision, b) Weak revise and resubmit (author/s must revise and making the changes indicated by the referees), c) Strong revise and resubmit, or, (d) must be rejected. If referees choose (b) or (c), they should clearly identify what revision is required.

Only Editor's invited contributions will be exempted from refereed evaluation, and they will be published in a separate section of *Agroalimentaria*. No manuscripts or figures will be returned to author/s, and the Editor reserves the right to make editorial changes to insure the uniformity of style.

### **Communications, technical reports, book reviews and letters to the Editor:**

*Agroalimentaria* Journal may also publish technical reports, as well as methodological notes, book reviews, interviews with recognized experts and scientists on issues of interest to the journal, or even correspondence. These texts, although they do not have the characteristics to be original articles, can be of interest to your readers.

### **Submitting articles and other contributions:**

Articles and any other contributions should be sent to the postal address of *Agroalimentaria* Journal:

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