



**CALL FOR PAPERS FOR THE FIRST VOLUME I/2024**

Revista de estudios urbanos y territoriales IBU

The Instituto Boliviano de Urbanismo (IBU) is a non-profit organization that seeks to establish and deepen the theoretical and practical bases of urbanism. In line with this objective, it proposes to the community of urban researchers the publication of the first issue of the **Revista de Estudios Urbanos y Territoriales IBU** (Journal of Urban and Territorial Studies IBU). This will be an open-access publication, in digital format and will have all the editorial processes usual in similar publications, such as double-blind peer review.

The topics addressed in this journal are linked to urban and territorial phenomena and processes, which can be analyzed from the fields of geography, sociology, planning, architecture, economics, history, and political science, as well as various disciplinary and interdisciplinary fields that focus on the production of space. Thus, contributions are invited on topics such as socio-spatial mobility; environment, biomimicry and urban agriculture; territorial data management, technologies and energies for urban transition; governance, citizen participation and territorial planning; habitat, housing and public spaces; multi-locality and urban-rural integration; sustainable tourism, territorial heritage and urban education; gentrification and spatial inequalities, among others. The journal prioritizes Ibero-American and Global South debates. However, contributions from other locations and social formations are welcome. Thus, for the first volume of the journal, scientists, and specialists in social, human, environmental and transdisciplinary, applied, and technical sciences are invited to submit manuscripts according to the following guidelines.

## **1. The general format of articles**

- We will receive texts between 5,000 and 9,000 words in length (in Spanish, English, or Portuguese). These texts must have a minimum of 15 cited bibliographical references.
- The texts submitted will be grouped under the following sections: scientific articles, thematic specials (to include at least six articles on a specific issue), reviews (comments on recent scientific books) and policy briefs.
- The texts received for the scientific article sections, and the scientific committee will evaluate the thematic special in a double-blind peer review process.
- Texts received for the review and policy brief sections will be evaluated directly by the scientific committee of the journal.
- All texts must be original and not published (totally or partially) in other virtual or printed media. They should not be in the process of simultaneous evaluation for other publications.
- The format model for texts (page size, fonts, margins, titles, subtitles, figures and tables) can be found in the following links: [scientific article](#), [thematic special](#), [review](#) and [policy report](#).
- Citations and bibliographic references should comply with APA standards (7th edition). For citations, you can check the page <https://normas-apa.org/citas/> and for references this one: <https://normas-apa.org/referencias/>.

## **2. Expected content by sections.**

## **2.1. *Scientific articles***

Texts will be received from one or more authors presenting recent research results, innovative methodological applications and/or systematic theoretical reviews. The structure of the texts will correspond, in general terms, to the following subtitles: introduction (with a problem statement, objective, hypothesis and/or research questions), research framework (theoretical-methodological frameworks, contextual and/or state-of-the-art), research findings or results, conclusions and bibliographical references.

## **2.2. *Thematic series***

One or more coordinators may propose a thematic special issue composed of a minimum of 6 articles. These articles must comply with the same characteristics presented in point 2.1. For the presentation of the proposal of a thematic special, a text with the following subtitles should be presented: a description of the theme (with the problem statement of the section, main aspects and scope), bibliographical references and summaries of the articles proposed for the section with different authors (from different disciplines, genres or generations).

## **2.3. *Reviews***

Critical reviews of recently published books (last five years) relevant to urban-territorial issues will be received. These texts may be presented by an author who is a specialist in the subject. The structure of the texts will correspond, in general terms, to the following subtitles: complete bibliographic data of the book reviewed, introduction, development and conclusions.

## **2.4. *Policy Brief***

Critical reviews or supported designs of public policy associated with urban and/or territorial problems, presented by one or more authors, will be received. The structure of the texts will correspond, in general terms, to the following subtitles: introduction (with the problem statement, objective, hypothesis or questions of or about the public policy), the framework of the analysis or public policy design (theoretical-methodological frameworks, contextual and/or state of the question), critical analysis or public policy design, conclusions and bibliographical references.

## **3. Schedule for submission of contributions**

The deadline for submission of contributions is **May 15, 2024**. Texts should be sent in Microsoft Word format using the following [form](#). Confirmation of acceptance or rejection of contributions by the scientific committee will be sent on May 25, 2024. Once these confirmations have been received, specific schedules will be established for the blind peer review of articles and thematic specials.

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