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ATHENA Research Book (Volume 1): Call for Papers and Contributions

Annual book published by the ATHENA European University partners

Background and Motivation

ATHENA, a European University alliance of seven higher education institutions, aims at fostering excellence in research and innovation by facilitating international cooperation. The ATHENA Research Book provides a platform that promotes joint and interdisciplinary research projects of both advanced and early-career researchers.

For the first pilot collection, we are currently inviting *Review Papers*, presenting prominent scientific achievements of the ATHENA Alliance partners, *Original Research Papers*, focusing on ideas and achievements contributing to the concept of the European University, and *Students Papers*.

In the first volume of the ATHENA Research book the variety of research fields of ATHENA partners, their strengths and excellence in research should be displayed. Contributions are not limited to any range of disciplines or fields of science.

Papers to be considered

Review and Original Research Papers

Review Papers present and analyse previously published research activities and should be based on existing relevant publications.

Original Research Papers present scientific (original) research. Manuscripts should be detailed accounts of research activity written by the researchers of the ATHENA Alliance and should highlight flagship research projects in each university, and potential for future cooperation between alliance partners. Reprints of published papers (referring to the origin) are also invited, aiming to showcase outstanding research achievements of ATHENA universities.



Student Contributions

The Editorial Board encourages student contributions. These can be either (a) short communications on student theses at masters or doctoral level, or (b) short communications on best practices and cooperation models, displaying the interrelation of teaching courses and the research from the perspective of students, whereby supervisor involvement is possible.

Short Reports

In an introductory section to the Research Book, short reports on research activities and events as well as scientific book reviews will be highlighted. The reports and reviews addressing a wider audience should provide insight into ATHENA Alliance activities, displaying the societal impact of research, including cooperation with industry and other stakeholders.

Submission guidelines

- [Word template](#) (compressed .zip including PDF example)
- [LaTeX template](#)

All proposed papers should be submitted in electronic form using the [Paper Submission Page](#).

Review and reviewers

Original Research Papers and *Review Papers* will be peer-reviewed by a minimum of two external reviewers. Their validity, quality and originality will be evaluated using an independent, formal review process. Selection of reprints is not a subject of review.

Student papers will be selected by the editors.

Publisher, archiving and indexing

The first two volumes of the book will be published by the [University of Maribor Press](#). Online versions of the ATHENA Research Book will be archived on a permanent address ([DOIs](#)). International cataloguing, classification and indexing of the book as a library resource will be provided.



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Dates

- **Submission due:** April 11
- **Acceptance notification:** June 13, 2022
- **Camera-ready contributions:** June 27, 2022
- **Expected date of publication** of the ATHENA Research Book (Volume 1): September 2022

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