

BEFORE START

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MANUSCRIPT PREPARATION

Management is a peer-reviewed international journal. While research may focus on specific national economies and organisations, papers should present their findings in an international context. The research scope, gaps and conclusions should reflect a global perspective to engage international readers.

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- Footnotes should be used only when absolutely necessary and numbered consecutively in the text.

Typical manuscript structures:

	Research article	Review article	Methodology article
Abstract	+	+	+
Keywords	+	+	+
JEL Classification	+	+	+
Introduction	+	+	+
Methods	+	+/-	methodology section
Results	+	+/-	discuss your analysis
Discussion	+	+	discuss sampling process
Conclusions	+	+	address research limitations
Concluding summary	-	-	+

"+" - required, "+/-" - optional, "-" - not required.

Structure of the research article

Titel (Arial, 11 pt, bold, do not write in capital letters)

The title should be brief and concise whilst reflecting the essence of the article's content.

Abstract (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified)

Provides a description of the content of the article. Indicates the issue analyzed, the research problem, the purpose of the research, the methods used, the main results and the conclusions formulated.

The abstract is in a structured form and includes the following points:

- Research background and purpose
- Design/methodology/approach
- Findings
- Value added and limitations

The volume of the abstract is max. 350 words.

Keywords (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified.)

Words relating to the article, expressing its essence. They make it possible to categorize the content of the article and thus help interested people to search for it.

Maximum number of 5 words.

JEL Classification (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified)

Journal of Economic Literature Code Classification is a subject classification developed by the Journal of Economic Literature. It is mainly used to classify scientific articles.

Available at: <https://www.aeaweb.org/jel/guide/jel.php>

1. Introduction (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified)

The introduction should delineate the research context - establish its significance, articulate the research objectives, and identify both the research gap and corresponding research questions.

The rationale for topic selection encompasses the author's motivation for pursuing the particular research area. For instance, the COVID-19 pandemic has created an opportunity to re-examine employee motivation dynamics, particularly in light of the widespread transition to remote work. The research gap emerges through a comprehensive literature review. This review process identifies pertinent questions that arise within the analytical framework after thorough examination of existing literature. Consequently, the research questions must directly emanate from the analysed literature.

Quality Assurance Checklist:

1. Does the introduction demonstrate the research significance?
2. Are the research objectives explicitly defined?
3. Have the research gap and questions been clearly identified?
4. Do the research hypotheses emerge logically from the literature review?
5. Is there a succinct overview of the article structure at the conclusion of the introduction?

Important Note: Research hypotheses can appear in other sections of the paper

2. Literature review / Theoretical background (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified)

The article should be grounded in current literature that reflects the international context of the analysed issue. While research may focus on national economies and entities, the research context (including topic justification, research gap, and conclusions) should incorporate an international perspective to engage readers from various countries.

The author should present the state of knowledge in the area corresponding to the empirical analysis section. This involves identifying previous researchers who have addressed the topic, summarising the conclusions from earlier studies, and positioning the current research within the context of previous analyses.

Quality Assurance Checklist:

1. Is the literature in the article current?
2. Does the literature demonstrate the international context of the conducted analyses?
3. Does the literature review present the findings from previous research?
4. Has the author positioned their analysis within the context of previous research?
5. Is the literature appropriately synthesised?

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(Szczepański, 1987) - *one author, author's name not mentioned directly in the text (parenthetical citation);*

Ziółkowska and Kowalski (1989) - *two authors; author's name mentioned in the text (narrative citation);*
(Ziółkowska & Kowalski, 1989) - *two authors (parenthetical citation);*

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(Teece et al., 1997) - *three and more authors (parenthetical citation);*

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3. Methods (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified)

The Methods section should be organised chronologically and specify all stages of the research process. This section must detail the data collection procedures (data sources, selection criteria, research period) along with their limitations. The research methods employed should be described thoroughly to ensure replicability. In this context, this section serves as the foundation for establishing the credibility of research findings and must provide readers with a clear understanding of how conclusions were drawn.

Quality Assurance Checklist:

1. Does the section contain a description of data collection procedures?
2. Is the research method described with sufficient clarity (is it replicable)?
3. Is the choice of research method justified?

4. Results / Findings (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified)

Research findings should be presented in a detailed and objective manner, focusing on reporting without extensive interpretation. Results should be presented in order of importance, beginning with those that address the main research questions.

Quality Assurance Checklist:

1. Are the research findings discussed in detail?
2. Is the line of reasoning presented in this section clear?

5. Discussion (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified)

This section provides a broader interpretation and context for the findings. Results should be compared with the authors' initial predictions and examined alongside existing research in the field. Any unexpected findings should be explained, highlighting how they either support or challenge current theories.

Quality Assurance Checklist:

1. Have the findings been thoroughly interpreted?
2. Have the results been compared with existing research?
3. What is the outcome of research hypotheses verification?
4. Has it been indicated how the conducted research contributes to the existing body of knowledge?

Important Note: Integration of Results and Discussion sections is permissible

6. Conclusions (Book Antiqua 10 pt, justified)

The Conclusions section should provide a clear summary of the main research findings, along with their theoretical/practical implications, research contribution, limitations and suggestions for future research.

Quality Assurance Checklist:

1. Is there a clear summary of the main findings?
2. Are the theoretical and/or practical implications clearly stated?
3. Is the research contribution clearly explained?
4. Have the research limitations and future research directions been identified?

References (Book Antiqua, 9 pts, justified)

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Kampania 17celów (b.d.). *Agenda 2030*. CSR Consulting. Retrieved December 18, 2024, from: <https://www.nist.gov/baldrige/how-baldrige-works/about-baldrige/baldrige-impacts>

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Name of table, drawing or charts: Book Antiqua 9 pts., bolded, centered.

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EXAMPLES:

Table 1. Write the title of the table here

PKD Symbol	Number of firms	Industry share in a given group(%)	Industry share in both groups (%)
33 Manufacture of instruments and appliances for measuring, testing and navigation; watches and clocks	187	50.00	13.80
24,4 Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	60	18.72	5.17
32 Manufacture of communication equipment	70	16.04	4.43
30 Manufacture of computers and peripheral equipment	52	13.90	3.84
35,3 Manufacture of air and spacecraft and related machinery	5	1.34	0.37
Total high technology	374	100	27.60

Source: Kowalski 1998, p. 37

Please note that **in English the numbers are separated from their tenths by the "dot"** (see Table 1).



Figure 1. Write the title of the drawing here

Source: own study