

Assessment Guidelines

All articles submitted to the *Revue Tiers Monde / Revue internationale des études du développement*'s editorial committee must be of a scientific nature and present original conclusions on issues related to development.

The articles selected by the *Revue Tiers Monde / Revue internationale des études du développement* examine the players and the socio-economic processes involved, analyze the dynamics of power relationships and asymmetries in power, underline the complexity of relationships and actions, highlight empirical studies, and offer a counterpoint to international institutions' grey literature.

Every article submitted to the peer-review committee has first been screened by the editorial committee.

For "classical" articles, the limit is set to 40,000 characters, spaces and footnotes included (approximately 6,000 words) – abstract and references excluded.

Articles which do not fit all the criteria of a scientific article, yet are interesting in terms of the previously unpublished factual information provided, the issues raised for discussion, or the overview of research proposed may be published under the following headings: Documents (40,000 characters max.), Debates (25,000 characters max.), or Literature Review (60,000 characters max.).

The criteria are the following:

- Conformity to the topic of the *Revue Tiers Monde / Revue internationale des études du développement* (summarized briefly by the reader);
- Original ideas and conclusions;
- Relevant and rigorous method, reasoning, and references;
- Use of fieldwork, empirical studies, and/or original corpuses (archives, etc.), along with a sound theoretical approach;
- Care in the presentation and structure of the text, and clarity of expression.

Even if the referees choose to reject an article, they will provide comments and remarks linked to the aforementioned criteria in order to help the author improve. They will list the strengths and weaknesses of the manuscript.

Finally, there are three possibilities for the referee's assessment:

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2. A new version must be submitted (if and only if the first draft of the article is not marred by too many weaknesses);
3. Rejection.

N. B.: if the referees consider that the theme, approach, or rigor of an article could make it fit for publication, but that the language or form does not fit the formal requirements of francophone scientific journals, the *Revue Tiers Monde / Revue internationale des études du développement* may provide help for editing in some cases.

ASSESSMENT

Title of the article:

Referee:

Conformity to the topic of the review:

Originality of the ideas and conclusions:

Relevance and rigor of the method, reasoning, and references:

Use of empirical studies (etc.) and sound theoretical approach:

Care in the presentation and structure of the text, and clarity of expression:

Strengths:

Weaknesses:

Suggestions to improve the manuscript:

Assessment:

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