

## Guidelines for DENx blog posts

**Please note:** Before you send us your contribution, please share a short abstract (150-250 words) outlining your idea. We will contact you soon afterwards to let you know if we would like to proceed with your proposal. The guidelines below only apply to final submissions, not to abstracts.

### Thematic focus

- Submissions should engage with key issues and research trends around around the socio-ecological dimension of displacement and resettlement of refugees and IDPs.
- We accept essays, reviews as well as art and multimedia contributions.

### Conventions

- We consider submissions that are between **800 and 1,500 words for reviews** and **1,000 to 2,500 words for essays** (incl. references). For other formats (e.g. photo essay, video), the scope can be discussed on a case-by-case basis.
- Communicate in an **accessible, clear and concise way**. Try to avoid jargon and convoluted sentences and consider breaking up your text in shorter paragraphs for better readability.
- For written work, we accept both **British and American English spellings**.
- Include **names and a short bio** for each author as well as social media handles (optional).
- Include a **title as well as a 1-2 sentence tagline** on the core message of your contribution.
- If possible, include one or several **photos or images** (incl. captions). Make sure you cite the source and have permission to use the photo(s) or image(s). Please note: We prefer original images that are directly related to the topic, accurately reflect the local context and do not perpetuate stereotypes or biases.

### Referencing

- Use **hyperlinks** in your text to direct readers to online sources (as appropriate). We recommend not including more than 10 links per article. See articles on the [Yale E360 blog](#) for examples of effective use of hyperlinks.
- You can also use **in-text citations** (author-date) with a reference list at the end, as long as you use one of the [standard reference styles](#) (e.g. APA, Chicago) and apply it consistently.
- Please avoid using footnotes; instead, integrate material directly into the text.

### How to submit your blog post

- All contributions should be submitted in **electronic form in MS Word** (.doc, .docx), unless other formats are required, e.g. for multimedia contributions, and emailed an attachment to [hanna.geschewski@cmi.no](mailto:hanna.geschewski@cmi.no). PDF files are generally not accepted.
- Let us know if your blog has already been published elsewhere. In this case, please make sure you have permission from the original publishers before sharing content.
- Responsibility for any plagiarism and the factual accuracy of their work lies with the author(s).

### Review process

- Submissions will be editorially reviewed before being invited for publication.
- Once a contribution has been submitted, there is usually a short back-and-forth before it is published. Editorial feedback may be provided to improve readability and accessibility. If significant changes are made, editors send a final version to authors before publication.

### Archiving of blog entries

- Contributions published on the blog will be archived in the [institutional repository](#) of the Chr. Michelsen Institute.

Please remember that these guidelines are intended to provide some consistency to the blog. For further questions please contact us at [hanna.geschewski@cmi.no](mailto:hanna.geschewski@cmi.no).