

**GUIDELINES FOR SPECIAL ISSUES**  
*The International Journal of Restorative Justice*

### **Special issues in TIJRJ**

*The International Journal of Restorative Justice (TIJRJ)* welcomes Special Issues on the topic of or related to the topic of restorative justice. The journal plans to have one Special Issue a year.

Proposals for a Special Issue should reflect one or several of the following:

- the central debates in restorative justice,
- new theoretical insights,
- empirical research findings,
- interdisciplinary approaches in restorative justice research,
- a clear international relevance of the topics dealt with,
- their relevance for practice and policy developments,
- an insight in contemporary and future directions of restorative justice, and
- new approaches to studying restorative justice in different legal and social cultures.

#### ***Types of Submission***

The submissions for a Special Issue may result from different sources, for example:

- a selection of papers from a conference,
- a selection of papers from a project,
- or result from a call for papers.

#### ***Rules of submission of a special issue***

The editorial team welcomes submissions by a guest editor(s) of proposals for special issues.

1. The first step is to submit a page proposal to the editorial team. This proposal should explain the topic and the editorial line (coherence) of the issue in a paragraph, a table of content with a list of the contributors and titles of the proposed contributions. Usually a special issue should contain an editorial (3000-4000 words) and 4-5 articles (each 6000-10000 words). A further option is to also include a proposal for the Notes from the field section (one paper from practice or policy developments of about 4000 words followed by one or two responses of about 2000 words each). A clear timetable should also be included.

2. The journal's editorial team and boards will review the proposal and give a green light or not.

3. If the green light is given, following the proposed timetable contributions are collected as planned by to the guest editor who shares them with the TIJRJ managing editor and together they will decide on the reviewers (one chosen by the guest editor and one by the editorial team in order to fill in the double blind review criteria of the journal).

The TIJRJ editorial team will have final decision power as to actual inclusion and publication time.

Finally, all contributions must adhere strictly to the contributor guidelines which can be obtained from Estelle Zinsstag at editor.tijrj@boomdenhaag.nl.

For a submission of a special issue, please send your proposal to the managing editor, Estelle Zinsstag at editor.tijrj@boomdenhaag.nl.