Reviewers Guidelines





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Your evaluation will help the editor to make a decision as to whether or not the article should be published in Reason and Faith and will help the author to improve his or her article, so we ask that, once you have read the manuscript, if possible, you take a short period of reflection so that you can analyse it in greater depth from your expert opinion.

Evaluate the manuscript honestly, objectively and critically, writing your comments as if you were writing to the author — whenever possible — using a constructive tone, so that the editor and the author can clearly understand your reasoning, detailing in which cases it is your own opinion and avoiding derogatory-sounding expressions. Keep an open perspective, avoiding dismissing theories that may conflict with your own views.

It should consider if the author states his or her perspective on the research and if the theoretical framework guides the approach of the study. The methodology employed should be appropriate and used in a consistent manner. Likewise, the literature review should be adequate and the conclusions should be appropriate and achieve their objective.

The arguments put forward should have merit and if they do not, try to pass on guidelines to the author to make the manuscript more reliable.

If you think the author could use other sources to strengthen his or her arguments or if there are more up-to-date sources, reflect this in the report.

Assess whether you think the manuscript will advance research in your field and whether it will add value and impact in the field of science-religion dialogue.

Inform the editor if you find that the manuscript contains duplicate or redundant results. Of course, report any signs of plagiarism that you detect.

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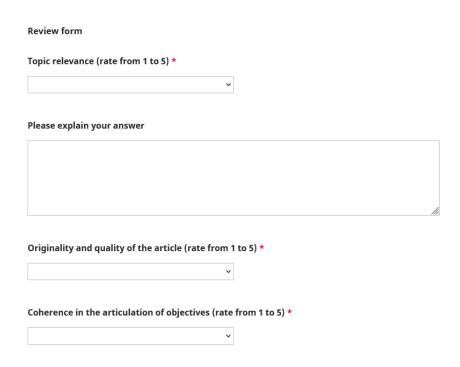




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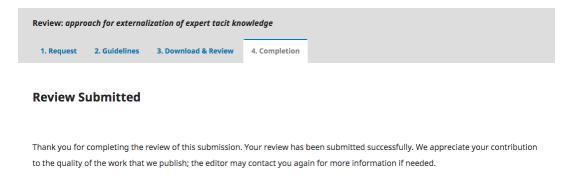
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