Titles of Papers: This is How to Format and Capitalise Them Using Bold Arial 16pt

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## 1. Introduction

The purpose of providing these notes is to standardise the format of short discussion papers submitted to PMA. These notes are reworked from author guidelines for the extended abstracts for MPA’10, GIScience 2010, Geocomputation 2007, GISRUK 2007 and Geomorphometry 2009 conferences.

The page size must be A4 (not US Letter) and the margins must be 2.5 cm (top and bottom) and 3.1 cm (left and right) respectively.

Each section of the paper (except the *Acknowledgements* and *References* sections) should be numbered, as shown in this example. The section heading should be left-aligned with bold Arial 14pt.

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Submissions should be written in English. Authors should keep to the limit of **1500 words**. Submissions which fail to follow the specified format and prescribed length will not be considered for inclusion.

### 1.1 Sub-sections and Their Formatting

Sub-sections should be numbered as shown in this example. The sub-section heading should be left-aligned with bold Arial 12pt. The use of sub-sub-sections is discouraged.

## 2. Equations, Figures and Tables

### 2.1 Equations

Equations should be centred on the page and numbered consecutively in the right-hand margin as (1), (2), etc. They should be referred to in the text as follows: “Equation 1 is applied to compute ...” or “Weighted correlation coefficient (2) is used for ...”.

### 2.2 Figures

Figures should be presented at relevant locations in the text and not at the end of the paper. They should be referred to in the text as Figure 1, Figure 2, etc. The figure caption is **centred** and **placed below** the figure. As can be seen from Figure 1, figures are centred on the page. Figure captions should be ended with a full stop.



Figure 1. The former logo of the University of Zurich.

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Table 1. Venues of GIScience conferences 2000–2010.

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| Year | Location | Country |
| 2000 | Savannah | USA |
| 2002 | Boulder | USA |
| 2004 | Adelphi | USA |
| 2006 | Muenster | Germany |
| 2008 | Park City | USA |
| 2010 | Zurich | Switzerland |

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## 3. References and Citations

A list of references cited must be provided at the end of the paper. Citations of these within the text should be given as follows. There are several good papers in this area (Authority 1973, Learned and Expert 1982), although the work by Fudgit et al. (1997) is an exception. Note that “et al.” is not italicised. There is no need for a comma between author(s) and year, and a citation with page number should be made as in Learned and Expert (1982: 121).

The reference list should be formatted as in the example below, using 10pt Times New Roman, justification and 1 cm hanging paragraphs for each reference. Do *not* use abbreviations of journal titles.

## 4. File Format and Submission

Submissions should be sent as PDFs to ross.purves.

## Acknowledgements (note that this heading has no number)

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