



# Guidelines on writing the Research Paper

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Deadlines	Dates
Application Submission	25 <sup>th</sup> of April, 2021
Confirmation on Approval of Applications	27 <sup>th</sup> of April, 2021
Research Paper Writing Training	29-30 <sup>th</sup> of April, 2021
Deadline for Research Paper Submission	16 <sup>th</sup> of May, 2021
Shortlisting Best Research Papers	18 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> of May, 2021
Presentations in front of Winners Selection Jury	26 <sup>th</sup> of May, 2021
Winner Announcement	28 <sup>th</sup> of May, 2021

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## **THE FUTURE OF TOURISM IN ALBANIA**

### CONTENTS OF THE RESEARCH PAPER

#### Section 1: Executive Summary

An abstract stating the aims/objectives of the project; the stages of analysis involved; the methodology used as well as the findings of the research.

## **Section 2: Introduction**

An introduction with clearly stated title, topic, research aims and objectives and including the basic **question**, and problem identification.

## **Section 3: Literature Review**

A literature review, discussing theoretical and/or empirical work (e.g. surveys/case studies) on similar issues as those examined in the project.

## **Section 4: Research Methodology**

An explanation/evaluation of the research approach adopted (methodology, sources of data), quantitative or qualitative, sampling where applicable. Questionnaires or other research instruments need to be included in the Appendices section.

## **Section 5: Data collection and Analysis**

Primary or secondary data collection, statistical analyses, discussion of the findings.

## **Section 6: Conclusions and Recommendations**

A series of recommendations/action points based on the findings and appropriate for the situation/case/research in question. This section presents a realistic plan, including timing of correctional steps and processes (baselines), description of the procedure, project risk assessment when uncertainty, project implementation.

## **Section 7: Project limitations**

Limitations faced during research (e.g. limited access to data/resources).

## **References & Bibliography**

A list of references used in the literature review section for in-text citation.

## **Appendixes and annexes**

Appendices (if applicable) with primary data, research instruments, financial data etc.

### **Format:**

A4, Arial 11, 1 ½ spaced, and APA system bibliographic reference format.

### **Length:**

The length of the project is between (20 - 30 pages). Appendixes do not count in this length.

## \*PLAGIARISM

Your **Research Paper** has to be **FREE** of plagiarism.

Plagiarism is the representation of another author's language, thoughts, ideas, or expressions as one's own original work. Plagiarism is considered academic dishonesty and a breach of journalistic ethics.

The rules of properly mentioning another author's work such as paraphrasing or quoting need to be practiced while writing your papers.