

# BULLETIN BGS - Guide for authors 2018

## 1. General, Language

The BGS Bulletin covers all aspect of soil science and publishes relatively short articles (2 – 8 pages) mostly from BGS members. Besides the proceedings of the annual conference, other contributions may also be submitted in German, French, Italian or English.

Manuscripts must be submitted in electronic form. See point 8

## 2. Manuscript length

The manuscript length should not exceed 30'000 characters, including spaces (less space requirement of figures & tables). In special cases and after consultation with the editor, longer contributions are possible.

## 3. Fonts

No special formatting is required. Abstract, intertitles, as well as table and illustration captions must be clearly recognisable as such within the submitted document.

## 4. Tables

Smaller tables should be in panel format, larger ones in landscape format.

Number the tables consecutively in accordance with their appearance in the text and reference each of them. Please indicate in the text where the tables should be placed by inserting the corresponding table caption and table number.

## 5. Figures

Figures have to be submitted as separate files, in jpg, tiff, svg, eps or pdf format. Always use a minimum of 300 dpi. Character size in the print version of the bulletin should be at least 8pt.

Please indicate in the text where the figures should be placed by inserting the corresponding figure number and caption. They have to be numbered consecutively and referenced in the text.

Grid patterns: Graphics should contain, where possible, coarse and contrasting grid patterns. If the pattern is too fine, it may appear in the printed version as either just black or just white.

Photos or colour illustrations only in exceptional cases and with the agreement of the editor.

## 6. Abstract

A concise and factual abstract is required in the language of the text and in English. If the manuscript is written in English, a summary either in French or German is required.

The summary should be followed by 4 to 6 key words in English.

## 7. References

Please use the author-year citation method, as used by Elsevier:

<https://www.elsevier.com/journals/soil-and-tillage-research/0167-1987/guide-for-authors#68000>

### Examples within the Text:

In the meantime, Müller and Meier (1999) showed that ...

According to the German classification system (Mückenhausen et al. 1974), this soil is ...

### The list of references should be alphabetical.

a) Journal articles:

Soldatini, G.F., Riffaldi, R., Levi-Menzi, R., 1976. Pb Adsorption by soils. Water, Air and Soil Pollution. 6, 111-118.

b) Books:

Gisi, U., Schenker, R., Schulin, R., Stadelmann, F.X., Sticher, H., 1997. Bodenökologie. 2. Auflage, Georg Thieme Verlag, Stuttgart

c) Articles in books:

Baccini, P., von Steiger, B., Piepke, G., 1988. Bodenbelastung durch Stoffflüsse aus der Anthroposphäre, in: Brassel, K.E., Rotach, M.C. (Hrsg.), Die Nutzung des Bodens in der Schweiz. Verlag der Fachvereine Zürich, S. 55 - 74.

## 8. Submission

Please submit the manuscript text, tables and figures as separate files (use for each table and each figure a separate document). The files can be sent to [bgs.gs@soil.ch](mailto:bgs.gs@soil.ch) as attachments or, for large amounts of data (>100 MB), as a link to a server.

The documents can also be handed in via memory stick directly at the BGS conference.

## 9. Deadlines/Schedule

The Bulletin appears once a year.

Submission:	October	End	of
Reviewing:	End of November		
Correction of proofs:	End of Dezember		
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