

CALL FOR PAPERS

International Journal of Volunteering and Societies (IJVoS)

Revue Internationale Volontariat et Sociétés (RIVO) opens the way to the dissemination of original work on volunteering and civic engagement, as well as related themes. Submissions may deal with theoretical issues or be the result of empirical or epistemological analyses. The journal also publishes the work of professionals in the form of public interest reports, life stories or original experiences on volunteering and civic engagement.

The renewed interest shown by governments, public authorities, voluntary organizations/volunteers, civil society, thinkers and researchers, the private sector (...) and the dynamic that this implies, place volunteering at the heart of reflections and debates at various levels. Through analysis and scientific research, there is a need to question volunteering

and, more broadly, civic engagement and its connection to emerging issues at national, sub-regional, and international levels.

The lines of research are dynamic but are essentially structured into five (05) points: (i) the Civic engagement for development; (ii) The dynamics of volunteering: forms and changes; (iii) civic involvement and integration of young people; (iv) volunteering policy and governance; (v) support and advocacy for the recognition of volunteering.

The journal published in French. However, authors who use English as their working language may submit their manuscripts in that language.

Important dates

Launch of the call for papers: JULY 20, 2026
Deadline for receipt of articles: OCTOBER 20, 2026
Publication date: DECEMBER 20, 2026

1. Periodicity

RIVO is an all-yearly journal (one volume per year).

2. Main Rules

The document must be provided in Word (.doc) format. For an article, it should be between 30,000 and 50,000 characters long (including spaces). For books, it should be between 350,000 and 700,000 characters (including spaces).

Articles must include a heading with a title of no more than 20 words; the name(s) of the author(s), their institutional affiliation, and their e-mail address; an abstract of 1000 characters (including spaces) and a maximum of 05 keywords. The keywords must be carefully chosen as they will be used to index the article. An English translation of the chapeau is highly recommended.

Any work supplied with diagrams, graphs, tables, or images

must be of a minimum quality of 300 dpi. These elements must be sent as separate files to the main text.

Bibliographical references and references to sources are given in reading notes at the end of the text. Bibliographic guidelines may also be accepted at the end of the article.

3. General presentation of the manuscript

The manuscript to be submitted to the journal for publication must comply with scientific standards for articles. It must include an abstract, the identity and address of the author(s), an introduction, a development that clearly specifies the methodological and theoretical approach (for work that requires it), and a conclusion. Specific presentation requirements may be accepted depending on the nature of the research.

Proposals received may take the form of scientific articles or reviews, research notes, meta-analyses, papers presented at conferences or conference posters, and expert reports.

4. Typography

Font and paragraph layout:

Times New Roman, font size 11, with 12 point line spacing for body text; size 9 for notes, with 10 point line spacing. Justify text, including notes.

No indentation to the left or right of the text, except for long quotations (0.5 cm indentation to the left, size 10 font). Paragraph headings should be in lower case.

- Bold type for the first level, size 12 instead of 11, with no line indentation.
- Bold type for the second level, size 11, without line indentation.
- Italics for the third, size 11, indented 0.5 cm.

The surnames and first names of all authors and references cited should be written in lower case, with only the initials in upper case.

Library references in the text should be cited as follows:

According to A. Lamboni (2023: 14), «syntax must be rigorously observed to avoid rejection of the article». If the reference is at the end of the quotation, it will be presented as follows: (A. Lamboni, 2023: 75).

5. Notes

Notes should be placed at the bottom of the page and numbered consecutively.

At the bottom of the page, insert a non-breaking space [Ctrl+Shift+Spacebar] between the footnote and the beginning of the footnote. The text of the notes (size 9, 10 point line spacing) must be justified, without indenting the first line.

6. Bibliographic references, sources, and bibliography

Authors listed in alphabetical order. The author's surname in small capitals, followed by a comma; then the first name (in full, or initial followed by a full stop); the title in italics, followed by the place, the publishing house, and the year of publication. All these elements are separated by a comma.

- In the case of texts taken from collective works, editions, or translations: title of the article in inverted commas, indicate «in», then the title of the work in italics, then the name of the director followed by (dir.), the publisher followed by (ed.), or the translator preceded by trad. and a non-breaking space.

Example : Moutoré, Y., *«mettre le titre entre guillemets dans le cas d'un texte tiré d'un ouvrage»*, in Les cahiers des politiques

urbaines en Afrique, Moutoré (dir.), Kara, Université de Kara, 2023, p. 1-3.

7. Editorial board

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8. Management of the secretariat

- Proposals for articles must be sent no later than June October 20, 2026 to the following address: rivos@togoanvt.org
- The results of the evaluation will be communicated to the author by the same channel.
- The author receives the electronic version (reprint) of his published article.

9. Contribution management

The publication of articles is subject to the payment of an insertion fee of **50,000 CFA francs**.

10. Other considerations

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