

## Editorial: Scientific Writing Workshop on TELKOMNIKA Editors and Authors Meeting (TEAM)

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### **Abstract**

*In this year, TELKOMNIKA is organizing scientific writing workshop series for improving manuscript quality which is called as "Scientific Writing Workshop on TELKOMNIKA Editors and Authors Meeting (TEAM)". This workshop is aimed at developing scientific writing skills to both editing and proofreading for preparing final manuscript. Editing covers reread manuscript which includes content, overall structure, clarity, style and citations to see whether the manuscript is well-organized and the transitions between paragraphs are smooth. Proofreading is the final stage of the editing process, focusing on surface errors such as misspellings and mistakes in grammar and punctuation. This process is just as important as any other aspect of writing. The process is instrumental in getting ideas across in an accessible and logical manner.*

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In this year, TELKOMNIKA is organizing scientific writing workshop series for improving manuscript quality which is called as "Scientific Writing Workshop on TELKOMNIKA Editors and Authors Meeting (TEAM)". This workshop carries great tagline "Together Everyone Achieves More (TEAM)" which is aimed to produce synergy between Editors and Authors at developing scientific writing skills to both editing and proofreading for preparing final manuscript, with supported by experts.

It is important to do an in-depth edit. Editing covers reread manuscript draft which includes content, overall structure, clarity, style and citations to see whether the manuscripts are well-organized and the transitions between paragraphs are smooth. Editing allows examining how ideas connect with each other in terms of organization, development, and focus. Some of the key areas that editing focuses on are clarity, cohesiveness, continuity, content and voice (C4V). Is the overall message clear and obvious? Is the text written in a way that can be clearly understood by readers? Does every part of the manuscript look good together? Does every section of the manuscript flow smoothly into the next and ultimately bring the readers to a satisfying end? Will the message be relevant and understandable for readers? Is the manuscript written in a manner that would resonate with readers? Also, does the manuscript technical sound?

Proofreading is the final stage of the editing process, focusing on surface errors such as misspellings and mistakes in grammar and punctuation. Proofreading of a manuscript is just as important as any other aspect of writing. Some of the key areas that proofreading addresses on are punctuation, grammar, spelling, formatting and references. This process is instrumental in getting our ideas across in an accessible and logical manner. Does the manuscript contain all the proper punctuation marks and in the right places? Does the manuscript use generally accepted word constructions for the language? Are all words spelled correctly? Are the right words used? Can the eye easily follow the text? Does the layout of the text, headings, etc. support the flow of the manuscript or is it distracting? Also, are bibliographies and other references in the manuscript formatted to standards?

First TEAM has been conducted on February 1-2, 2018 at Eastparc Hotel Yogyakarta. Speakers in this workshop include Dr. Sadjuga (Director of Intellectual Property Management, Directorate General of Strengthening for Research and Development at the Ministry of Research, Technology and Higher Education, Republic of Indonesia), Prof. Dr. Heru Susanto (Member of Credit Score Assessment Team, Directorate of Human Resources Career and

Competencies at the Ministry of Research, Technology and Higher Education, Republic of Indonesia), Prof. Dr. Fitri Yuli Zulkifli (Chair of IEEE Indonesia Section), and Prof. Pekik Argo Dahono (Professor of Power Electronics, Electrical Machinery and Power Quality at Bandung Institute of Technology). Prof. Pekik when presented his talk on 1<sup>st</sup> TEAM is shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1. Prof. Pekik Argo Dahono on 1<sup>st</sup> TEAM

Second TEAM has just been conducted on March 21-22, 2018 at Grand Dafam Rohan Yogyakarta. Speakers in the 2<sup>nd</sup> TEAM include Dr. Muhammad Dimiyati (Director General for the Strengthening of Research and Development at the Ministry of Research, Technology and Higher Education of the Republic of Indonesia), Dr. Bambang Supriyadi (Indonesian Private University Coordinator, Region V), Prof. Dr. Chandima Gomes (Professor of Electrical and Electronics Engineering at Universiti Putra Malaysia) and Prof. Dr. Mauridhi Hery Purnomo (Professor of Data Mining, Soft Computing and Computational Intelligence at Sepuluh Nopember Institute of Technology). Figure 2 shows one of Photo Sessions at 2<sup>nd</sup> TEAM.



Figure 2. One of the 2<sup>nd</sup> TEAM Photo Sessions