

CORROSION PROTECTION ETHICS GUIDELINES

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PRELIMINARY REMARKS

EOS Mktg&Communication Srl, with registered office in Via Pietro Mascagni 8, 20811, Cesano Maderno (Monza e Brianza), Italy, phone no.: +39 0362503215, is the publisher of five international technical journals specialising in the field of surface treatments: ipcm® International Paint&Coating Magazine, ICT_Industrial Cleaning Technologies, ipcm®_Ibérica, ipcm®_LatinoAmérica, and Corrosion Protection. Corrosion Protection is the one that consistently publishes academic, technical, and scientific articles tailored to the global anti-corrosion sector, with a focus on infrastructure and heavy industry.

EOS Mktg&Communication Srl has drafted the guidelines outlined in this document to share its values, principles, and rules of conduct with the contributors to all its journals as well as all other stakeholders, with the aim of building a transparent organisation oriented towards compliance with defined ethical and behavioural standards. EOS firmly believes that the success of a company cannot be separated from its ethics in conducting business relationships, and that competitiveness should be inextricably linked not only to ethical awareness but also to social responsibility and respect for the environment. The adoption of these guidelines aims, among other things, to best meet the needs and expectations of EOS's stakeholders, with a view to recommending and fostering a high level of professionalism and prohibiting conduct that is contrary not only to the relevant legal provisions but also to the values that the publishing house intends to promote.

All those who hold representative, administrative, or management positions within EOS, all employees without exception, all collaborators, anyone else who has dealings with this company directly or indirectly, permanently or temporarily, and anyone who works to pursue its objectives (e.g. customers, business partners, advertisers, suppliers, consultants, institutions, and public bodies) are called upon to comply with the principles and requirements contained in these guidelines. Violations of the principles and rules contained herein damage the relationship of trust established with the publishing house.

1. PRESENTATION OF THE JOURNAL

Corrosion Protection is a quarterly technical journal published in English and printed four times a year in print and digital formats. Its printed version's ISSN code is 2282-2767; its digital version is published in PDF format on the website <https://www.ipcm.it/en/index.aspx> and can be viewed and downloaded free of charge from the issuu platform (<https://issuu.com>). It contains technical, scientific, and academic articles dedicated to the anti-corrosion sector with a focus on infrastructure and heavy industry, exploring topics such as protective coatings, surface science and engineering, cathodic protection, sensor technology, monitoring, and testing for the prediction, protection, prevention, and mitigation of corrosion.

The journal is aimed at a highly specialised international audience of professionals in the following sectors:

- inspection
- research, labs, universities
- energy, oil&gas
- infrastructures, buildings
- steel fabrications
- marine
- cathodic protection
- chemical industry
- corrosion prediction and protection technologies

- coating application.

2. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Corrosion Protection was created to revamp the long-standing ipcm®_Protective Coatings magazine after more than ten years of publication. As the field of corrosion protection is already widely covered by a considerable number of specialised magazines and numerous publishing initiatives, EOS Mktg&Communication Srl chose to create a new communication tool altogether. The aim is to provide a platform that maintains high quality standard while effectively integrating technology-focused content (products, processes, applications, etc.) and scientific contributions from experts in the academic world. With this, the publishing house intends to contribute to the industry through scholarly articles and to scientific research through technical content, thus promoting mutual interaction. Furthermore, with regard to practical activities, our editorial team is committed to writing reports, travelling to the field, interviewing key players, and conveying detailed information to our readers, making this a journalistic product that very few other magazines can offer. This is the approach that characterises all the publications of EOS Mktg&Communication Srl. Finally, the journal's content is further enhanced by thoughtful and well-designed graphics that are also aesthetically pleasing.

The print version is distributed based on the content covered in each issue, which determines the selection of contacts from the publisher's database of over 42,000 names, categorised by industry. If a reader wishes to receive all four print issues published during the year, they must purchase a subscription. The subscription form is available on the website: <https://www.ipcm.it/en/index.aspx>. The journal is also available on the website, where it can be browsed or downloaded free of charge without the need for registration or subscription. Individual articles are indexed on each issue's webpage. An example can be found here: <https://www.ipcm.it/en/magazine/corrosion-protection/2025/9.aspx>. All previous issues are available on the website, whereas the ipcm®_Protective Coatings magazine archive, containing issues from 2012 to 2022, can be accessed on its related webpage: <https://www.ipcm.it/en/magazine/protective-coatings/2022/44.aspx>.

3. EDITORIAL BOARD

The editorial board is composed as follows:

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4. PEER REVIEW PROCESS

The editorial board accepts contributions in Italian and/or European English. For contributions submitted in Italian, the editorial staff will arrange for a professional translator to translate them into English.

Contributions must not have been previously published or submitted to other journals.

Requests for academic articles are made under the responsibility of the editor-in-chief, who promptly informs the relevant experts of the topics covered, the deadlines for submitting material, the status of the review process, and any comments or reports from the reviewers, who are kept anonymous for ethical and privacy reasons.

All articles must be sent by email to the editorial office (redazione@ipcm.it) and copied to the head of the editorial office (fumagalli@ipcm.it). We do not charge any fees for editing, layout work, or publication. All articles are submitted to the editor-in-chief, the editorial director, and the editorial board reviewers. After the evaluation of the article's content, one or at most two reviewers are appointed for the peer review. They are selected by the editorial director from the board members according to their specific expertise in the subject area addressed by the manuscript, ensuring that the evaluation is conducted by the most qualified specialists for the topic under consideration. Peer reviewers provide feedback and may recommend that a manuscript be revised or rejected. Authors are then informed of the reasons for any suggestions or recommendations. The journal's editorial staff is not responsible for the opinions expressed by the authors.

4.1 EDITORIAL STANDARDS

All articles must be submitted in Word format with a maximum length of 10 pages (approximately 15,000 characters in total, including spaces and notes). Longer contributions may be accepted at the discretion of the editorial board.

Any images integrating the articles (including graphs) must be sent in high-resolution JPEG format (300 dpi), suitable for printing. Tables must be included in the Word document in an editable format. References to images must be clearly indicated in the text and marked as in the following example: “(Fig. 1 et seq.)”. A copyright notice and a caption must be provided for each image. The editorial staff reserves the right to select an opening photo and additional generic images related to the topic of the article for layout and pagination purposes.

The article, in PDF format, including images, is submitted to the author for final review before being sent to print.

Each article must include as follows:

- a short title (max. 120 characters, including spaces)
- the author’s name, organisation, and email address
- an abstract (max. 500 characters, including spaces)
- bibliography: the accuracy and completeness of bibliographical references are the sole responsibility of the author.

4.2 WRITING STANDARDS

- Bold should be used for the title of the article and the titles of the paragraphs.
 - Abbreviations are permitted.
 - Quotations must be enclosed in quotation marks.
- The following rules apply to the bibliography:
- a) Author: initial of the first name and full surname in upper/lower case, followed by a comma. If there are up to three authors, they should be listed, all followed by commas. If there are more than three, the first one in alphabetic order should be listed, followed by the abbreviation “et al.”
 - b) Title: upper/lower case, in italics, followed by a comma.
 - c) Publisher: upper/lower case, followed by a comma.
 - d) Place and year of publication: upper/lower case, not separated by a comma.
- Online bibliography: a link to the webpage consulted, followed by the last access date, should be provided.

5. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROTECTION

EOS ensures compliance with the internal, EU, and international regulations that protect intellectual property, adhering to the principle of legal compliance.

As a player in the publishing and new media industry, EOS is particularly aware of the importance of this issue and therefore respects and protects the content of all forms of its own and others’ intellectual property, including copyrights, patents, trademarks, trade secrets, and other intangible assets.

5.1 RULES FOR REPUBLISHING

The final PDF version of the article and the link to its online version are provided to the authors (and exclusively to them) upon request by the interested parties, who must comply with the following guidelines.

If the article is republished in third-party media, the source must always be cited as in the following example:

I. Magnifico, “*Catching the IR-free potential: an overview of the remaining IR components in Off measurements*”, in Corrosion Protection no. 9 (January 2025), pp. 28-35

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5.2 REPRODUCTION BY THIRD PARTIES

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If it is found that an author has made an error, a *corrigendum* will be issued. If it is found that the journal has made an error, an *erratum* will be issued. A *corrigendum* is an official correction issued to rectify a material error that has been found in a published article, usually by the author. This may concern inaccurate or incorrect information, such as incorrect data or a minor inaccuracy in the content. The *corrigendum* may consist of a note from the publisher included in the editorial of the issue following the discovery and/or reporting of the error, or of a whole article by the editorial director refuting the points considered incorrect in the article in question. An *erratum*, on the other hand, consists of a note from the publisher included in the editorial of the issue following the discovery and/or reporting of the error. Eos Mktg&Communication S.r.l does not accept any behaviour aimed at undermining freedom of information and criticism. Any complaints, which must be detailed and justified, can be sent to the following email address: redazione@ipcm.it.

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January issue	December 31	January 31
April issue	March 31	April 30
July issue	June 30	July 31
October issue	September 30	October 31

The publication dates are indicative and may be subject to change depending on public holidays and requirements related to events at which the journal will be distributed. All articles must be received by the

editorial office at least one month before the issue date to allow for review by the editorial board, translation into English (if necessary), page setting, and final approval by the authors.

7. ADVERTISING POLICY

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