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Abstract: In this paper, we describe the formatting requirements for ICCE 2021 publications, and we offer a number of suggestions on writing style for the worldwide ICCE readership. These instructions pertain to the published component of submissions only. Some submissions may require other documentation in addition to the published paper. Note that the abstract should be less than 350 words.

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1. Introduction

The ICCE 2021 Proceedings are the records of the conference. We hope to give these conference proceedings a single, high-quality appearance. To achieve this, we ask that authors follow some simple guidelines. In essence, we ask you to make your paper look exactly like this document. The easiest way to do this is to download this template and replace the content with your own material.

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Table 1. An Example of a Table for the ICCE Proceedings

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Figure 1. The logo of Asia-Pacific Society for Computers in Education (APSCE).

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