**Ecologies of Architecture**

Book Series – Proposal Guidelines

## Preparing your book proposal

Please save your book proposal as a Word document and include the following information that will help us to review your proposal and reply to you promptly.

## Title

* The main title should be short and clear, communicating what the book is about.
* Subtitles can add more information.
* Please include keywords in your title and subtitle to help readers to discover the book.

## Byline

* Names, affiliations, Orcid-ID, and 100-word bioblurbs of all editors and authors.

## Headline

* Summarise your book in 10–15 words without repeating the title or subtitle.

## Pitch

* One 150-word paragraph – describing the main purpose of the book: what it is about, why it is important and how it will benefit the reader.

## Key features and benefits

* A brief bullet-pointed list of the distinctive qualities and benefits of the book.
* Be precise and give examples: Which primary sources does it draw on? Who does it engage with? If it is transdisciplinary, which disciplines does it bring together?
* Each key feature should be one statement.

## Keywords

* A list of around 5 keywords that cover the central ideas of your book.

## Short synopsis of the aims, scope, argument and approach of the book

* Which subject area or areas does your book fit into?
* How will you approach and present the topics?
* How will your book be structured?
* Which themes, concepts and ideas do you develop?
* How deep is the coverage? Is it an overview or an in-depth study?
* What will be included and what will be left out, and why?

## Chapter-by-chapter description

* The table of contents.
  + Make sure that all chapter titles – including the introduction and conclusion – have keywords that describe the chapter, so that the chapter title stands alone.
* A paragraph outlining the content of each chapter – including the introduction and conclusion.
* The estimated word count for each chapter.

### What type of book are you proposing?

* Monograph
* Edited collection

### What level of reader is your book suitable for?

* Master students
* Postgraduate students
* Academics, scholars and researchers

## Competing and comparable books

* Please list 3–5 competing or comparable books published in the last 5 years.
* Include the title, author, publisher, publication year, and number of pages.
* Think of these as forming the basis of a recommendation.

## Word count

* Max. 75 000 words including any preface, acknowledgements, notes, and bibliography.

## Timeframe

* What is the expected manuscript delivery date?

## Writing schedule to delivery of complete typescript

* Indicate when you confidently expect to deliver your completed, final manuscript.
* Writing often takes longer than our authors expect – please be realistic with your estimate!

## Sample material

* Supply a sample chapter or other published material related to your proposed book.
* A sample chapter is required if this is your first authored book.
* Send us your samples as separate Word documents.

## CV

Include:

* A list of relevant publications.
* Your full postal address.
* Contact telephone numbers.
* Your email address.

## Peer review

* List 4 specialist readers who it would be appropriate for us to approach for an academic opinion about your proposal.
* Include names, institutions and email addresses.
* Do not include colleagues from your institution, your PhD supervisor or examiners.

## Edited collections

* Names and affiliations of suggested contributors.
* Title, synopsis and word count for each proposed chapter.
* The quality control and editing procedures that you will adopt as the editor.

## For books with figures (including tables and charts), please include the following information:

* The illustration type. For example: photographs, drawings, maps, diagrams, graphs, charts, etc.
* The number of illustrations in each chapter.
* Please note that the publisher will not cover copyright permissions costs.

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