

## INFORMATION FOR AUTHORS

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Climate Mobility Africa *Insights* is an online publication of the [Climate Mobility Africa Research Network](#) (CMARN) – a multidisciplinary, bi-lingual (EN+FR) network of researchers and policy makers that aims to advance evidence-based law and policy responses to climate mobility in Africa. *Insights* Policy Briefs provide up-to-date analysis of key law and policy issues relating to climate mobility in Africa. They support evidence-based law and policy development by connecting governments and other policy makers with academic research and recommendations in a range of law and policy fields, including (but not limited to) climate change, migration, disaster risk reduction, refugee protection and human rights.

### Interested in writing for *Insights*?

Climate Mobility Africa *Insights* accepts Policy Brief submissions on topics relating to the development and/or implementation of law and policy responses to climate mobility in Africa. Submissions are accepted from scholars, students and other researchers, with priority given to researchers based in Africa. All submissions to *Insights* will be subject to peer review and copy editing.

**Submissions** for *Insights* can be sent to: [cmarnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:cmarnetwork@gmail.com). Please ensure your submission meets the requirements outlined below.

### Format

*Insights* Policy Briefs should:

- Be between 1500 and 3000 words (approx. 4-8 pages)
- Be written in English or French
- Use footnote citations (not in-text) where appropriate

### Structure

*Insights* Policy Briefs follow a consistent structure, as below. You may like to view past policy briefs before submitting your own, to give you a good idea of what is required.

#### 1. Background

- Introduce the reader to the topic
- Describe the 'real world' challenge
- Engage the reader (you might like to include a story, recent statistics)

- Show the reader why this topic is important
2. **Issue/s** (this will usually be the longest section)
    - Introduce and describe the relevant law and policy frameworks
    - Describe the current issue(s) or challenges with these frameworks (eg what are the shortcomings, what is missing, what is happening as a result)
    - Discuss potential ways of addressing the issues or challenges (eg what has been tried, what have others suggested, what are the pros and cons of different approaches)
  3. **Recommendations**
    - Provide your recommendations (approx. 3-5) to policy makers and/or other stakeholders
    - Your recommendations should follow/be based on the previous sections of the policy brief.

## Want more information?

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If you have any further questions about submitting your work to Climate Mobility Africa Insights, please email us at: [cmarnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:cmarnetwork@gmail.com). If you have an idea for a Policy Brief, and would like some preliminary feedback before submitting a full draft, you are also welcome to email us with your ideas.