

## Instructions for the Authors

An INFER Brief is a concise summary of a research work on a particular economic issue. It is a short presentation of your research in a simple way, up to 2000 words, emphasizing, when possible, the policy implications of your main findings. The INFER Brief Series is conceived to increase the visibility of your already published or unpublished researches.

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## What should an INFER Brief do?

- Provide enough **background** for the reader to understand the research issue
- Convince the reader that the issue must be addressed **urgently**.
- Provide information about **alternatives** (in an **objective** brief).
- Provide **evidence** to support one alternative (in an **advocacy** brief).
- Provide **policy implications** (if relevant).

## Rules that an INFER Brief should follow

- **Be short and to the point.** It should focus on a particular research topic. Do not go into all the details. Instead, provide enough information for the reader to understand the issue and the solutions to deal with.
- **Focus on meanings, not methods.** Readers are interested in what you have found and what you recommend. They do not need to know the details of your methodology.
- **Relate to the big picture.** The policy brief may build on context-specific findings, but it should draw conclusions that are more generally applicable.

## How an INFER Brief should be organized?

- It must respect the rules provided in the template :
  - Title, Authors and Affiliation
  - Short abstract (5-7 lines)
  - Main text (1-2 pages), including a graph or a table if relevant
  - A short concluding paragraph named Implications or Policy Implications
  - List of references cited in the brief.