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**ABSTRACT**

*(150–250 words, single paragraph. Summarize objectives, methods, results, and conclusion.)*

**Keywords:** Example: Sustainability, Energy Policy, Artificial Intelligence, Climate Economics *(4–7 keywords separated by commas)*

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**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Introduce the research problem, background, objectives, and significance. Provide relevant literature context. Highlight the research gap and what the study seeks to accomplish.

**2.0 LITERATURE REVIEW**

Summarize existing research related to the study. Explain theories, models, frameworks, and findings from previous studies. Highlight gaps, controversies, or unresolved issues.

### **3.0 METHODOLOGY**

Describe how the research was conducted.

#### **3.1 Research Design**

Quantitative, qualitative, mixed methods, experimental, etc.

#### **3.2 Data Collection**

Explain instruments, sampling methods, tools, or sources of data.

#### **3.3 Data Analysis**

Describe statistical tools, software, models, or frameworks used (SPSS, MATLAB, NVivo, Regression Analysis, Thematic Analysis, etc.)

#### **3.4 Ethical Considerations**

State IRB approval, consent, confidentiality, or any ethical safeguards.

### **4.0 RESULTS**

Present findings objectively using:

- Tables
- Figures
- Graphs
- Charts

*(Ensure all visuals are labeled and cited within the text.)*

### **5.0 DISCUSSION**

Interpret findings in relation to existing scholarship. Address implications, theoretical contributions, limitations, and interpretation of results.

### **6.0 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Summarize key findings and propose recommendations for policymakers, practitioners, or future research.

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State whether conflicts exist.

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#### **Author Contributions (Optional but encouraged)**

Use CRediT taxonomy:

- Conceptualization
- Methodology
- Data curation

- Writing – original draft
- Writing – review & editing
- Supervision, etc.

## References

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## Appendices (If applicable)

Include supplementary material such as:

- Questionnaires
- Raw data summaries
- Mathematical derivations
- Additional figures

## TABLE AND FIGURE TEMPLATES

### Table Format Example

**Table X: Title of Table**

Variable	Description	Value
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### Figure Format Example

**Figure X: Title of Figure**

*(Insert figure here and caption below.)*

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