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Publishing in Top-Ranked Journals: Lessons from the *Journal of Contemporary Asia*

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Abstract: Publication is a major activity for all academics, often determining career paths. For beginning and early career academics, it has a special significance. Journal articles are often the first publication outlet for early career academics; in some disciplines, they may be the major or only publishing avenue throughout a career. In the first part of this presentation, the reasons for writing and for publishing in journals are considered, along with a discussion of how to choose the “right” journal, and how to avoid scam journals. In a second part, the presentation turns to the experience of the *Journal of Contemporary Asia* in considering and publishing articles and the processes involved in publication. Importantly, time will then be given to questions from the audience.



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