

Features: News Flash articles

News Flash articles reflect on recent research results or upcoming research that are current and relevant, such as early findings from a research team, or how researchers from the UESM contributed to an improved understanding of a complex global environmental issue. We encourage articles that are based on published work, but summarised in a less scientific way that will lead to an easy read to all ENVIRA readers.

We want to step away from long, detailed articles in the newsletter, since the overall aim of ENVIRA is to provide a 'news flash' where members of the UESM are being exposed to current interesting research highlights emerging from the unit. Should the news article be based upon a published item, the link to that publication should be included for those who wish to read the more detailed paper.

News Flash articles should focus on research stories with very little, if any, reference to people.

Guidelines for submission:

Concise, attractive ('catchy') title of max 15 words.

Names of Authors: Name and surname (preferably not a long list of authors – maximum 2, maybe 3).

Maximum word count should not exceed **550 words** (excluding Figure/Table captions and references).

The article should be accompanied by at least two images (photo's / diagrams / images / graphs etc).

No more than 3 references (Harvard Style).

A link to published work (if published), or to a web-page linked to the project is encouraged.

Submit directly to the Editor, Frances Siebert (frances.siebert@nwu.ac.za) and copy to the Sub-editor, Clarissa Minnaar (clarissaminnaar@gmail.com).

Regulars:***Accolades:***

Please submit any recent achievement to the editors and research director for possible inclusion in the next issue. A summary, which provides background to the award/achievement should be submitted in a Word document, with a maximum word count of **100 words**. A link to a Website/Award letter must be provided.

Facilities:

Should you be interested to write a short information paragraph on a UESM facility, please contact the editors. Maximum word count should not exceed **400 words** (excluding Figure/Table captions and references). Photos and links to websites are also required in these sections. Please note that only one facility will feature in each issue.

Community outreach:

Should you be interested to write a short information paragraph on a recent community outreach project, please contact the editors. Photos are also required in these sections. Please note that only one community project will feature in each issue. Word count: **400 words** (excluding Figure/Table captions and references).