**INSTRUCTIONS TO THE AUTHORS-Book Chapter**

**General guidelines**

1. ***Formatting checklist***

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| **Book size** | A4 size paper  |
| **Page setup** | Page margin top, bottom, right : 1 inch; left 1.25 inch  |
| **Pages** | ~20-25 pages (including references) |
| **Chapter Organization** | **Formatting criteria** |
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1. **Chapter Title:** Very precise, short, and reflect the entire content of the chapter.
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* Policy recommendations
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