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1 Dear Readers, Dear Colleagues,

Two years have passed since our last editorial (Haupt et al. 2023) as co-editors of *ASTa Advances in Statistical Analysis*, the journal of the German Statistical Society. The last editorial accompanied the special issue on “Statistics in sports”, edited by Groll and Liebl (2023), and a year later in issue 2/2024 we published the special issue on “Bridging the gap between AI and Statistics”, edited by Säfken and Rügamer (2024), including 10 original papers. After these two very successful special issues, we look forward to the upcoming final issue in 2025, when we expect to publish the special issue entitled “Advances in Spatial Econometrics and Geostatistics”, edited by Janine Illian and Philipp Otto from the University of Glasgow. As this collection nears completion, readers will soon find a new call for submissions for the upcoming special issue on Multiverse Analysis.

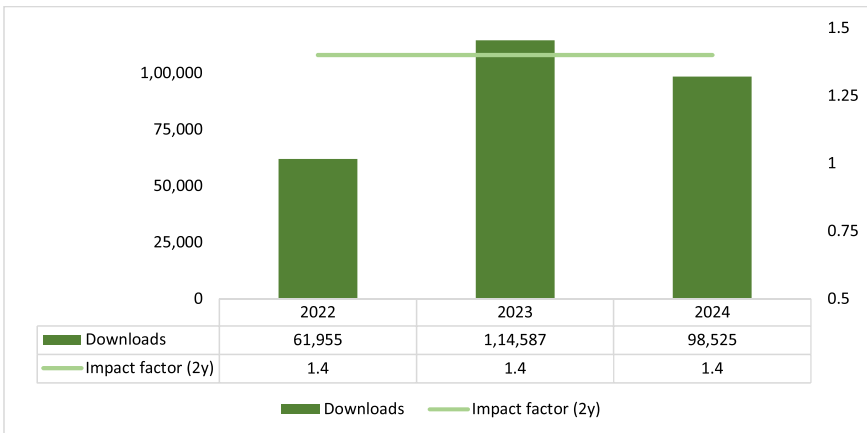
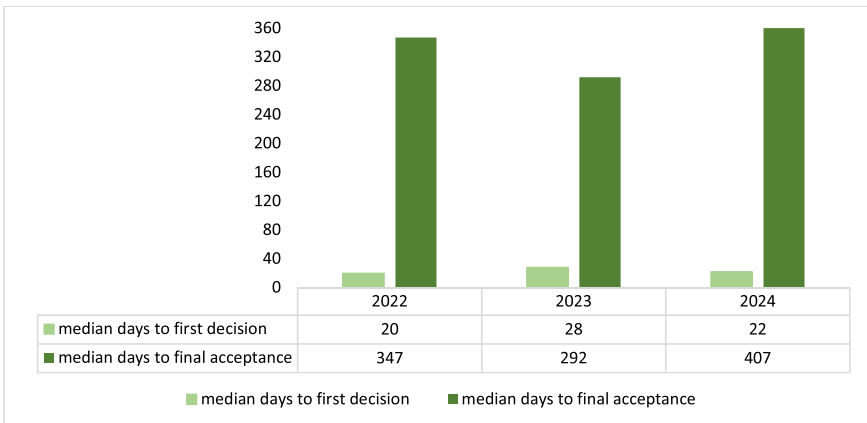
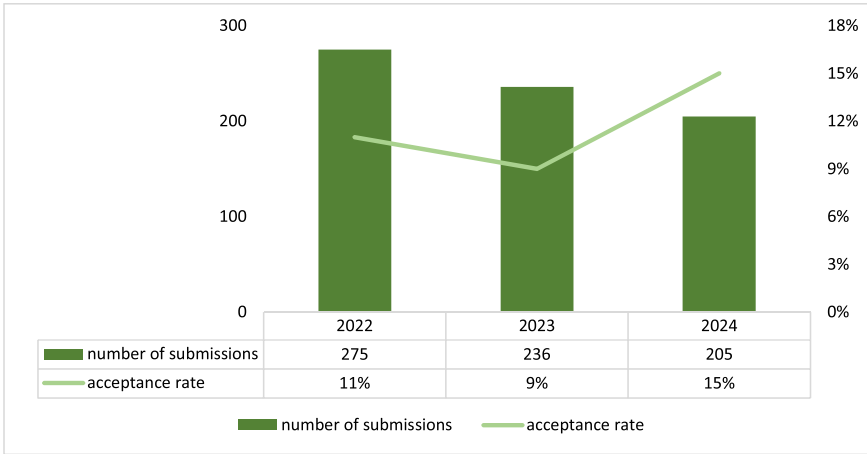
In summary, since the last editorial, we have published 8 issues of *ASTa* including a total number of 61 original papers and 3 statistical reviews. The figures below show a summary of some journal statistics for the last three years. We note that the impact factor and the general attractiveness of *ASTa* for authors and readers as well as the handling of submitted papers have stabilized at a pleasing level. The corresponding preliminary statistics for the first six months of 2025 show a slight increase in submissions and downloads compared to the average for previous years and indicate that the positive development of *ASTa* will continue at this level.

Again, our heartfelt thanks go to the readers, authors, associate editors and reviewers for their continuous support of *ASTa*. We welcome potential authors to submit their original articles to our journal and work with them to enhance the journal’s reputation in a highly competitive field. We look forward to receiving your articles, ideas, and proposals.

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