

## **Code of Ethics for *Word, Utterance, Text: Cognitive, Pragmatic and Cultural Aspects***

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### **References**

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