Diversity of Journalisms: Shaping complex media landscapes

ECREA Journalism Studies Section Conference – 2011

Date: 4 - 5 July 2011
Venue: Pamplona (Spain)

As the various changes of journalism have been researched intensely, we now need to shift our focus to the various features of the emerging media landscape, with all its nuances in different spheres (content, structure of media organizations, professional values, business models, audiences, etc.).

“Diversity” is probably the word that best characterizes this new and complex media landscape. In their attempt to meet the challenges of a new technological environment and the changing demands from a more active audience, media organizations have adopted a diversity of approaches. At the same time, the professional values of journalists are shifting from traditional profiles to new ones.

The conference aims to answer questions like the following ones:

- What are the signs of diversity in the emerging journalism? More specifically, what are the indicators of diversity when the subject is studied from different perspectives?
- Is this diversity more evident in some specific spheres of journalism? What are the fields in which diversity is specially growing, and how is this process taking place? Are there areas of news production that are not evolving towards greater diversity?
- How should academic research address this multifaceted media environment? What methodologies may be useful in order to better study journalism’s diversity?

Abstracts of max. 300 words should be submitted by January 15, 2011.

To read the full call:
http://www.journalismstudies.eu/pamplona2011

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2011 IAMCR Conference in Istanbul

Date: July 13-17 2011
Venue: Istanbul (Turkey)
http://iamcr.org/congress/istanbul-2011

You'll find below the calls for papers for the following IAMCR sections and groups:

- Political Communication Research Section
- Popular Culture Working Group
- Audience Section
- International Communication Section
- Environment, Science and Risk Communication Working Group
- Participatory Communications Research Section
- Working Group on Crisis Communication
- History Section
- Law Section
- Environment, Science and Risk Communication Working Group
- Working Group for Media Production Analyses
- Emerging Scholars Network
- Community Communication Section
- Gender and Communication Section
- Mediated Communication, Public Opinion & Society Section

Political Communication Research Section

The Political Communication Research Section will be organizing panels at the 2011 IAMCR conference in Istanbul, Turkey. The section is interested in papers bearing on all the dimensions in political communication of the subject of the conference.

Note that we also seek papers on any of the whole range of political communication research: the media and political socialization, political campaigning, public opinion and political participation, interactions between the media and intermediary organizations such as interest groups and political parties, as well as the involvement and uses of the medias in campaigns, election; and also the media and marketing processes in government, from policy making to day to day politics at the local level, including Town Halls and other Local Government Institutions communication, from their day to day governance to the answers given to problematic neighborhoods. The use of Internet, blogs and all kind of Internet social networks in modern political communication is also of interest to the section, as well as other new media and e-government processes.
Paper proposals should be one page, and should list the author’s name, address, university affiliations, telephone, fax, and e-mail, followed by the paper’s title and an abstract of 500 words/1500 signs. The abstract should specify the subject, questions asked, methodology and findings.

Anyone interested in presenting a paper should send his application, before the deadline indicated on IAMCR website, through the IAMCR website. See: http://iamcr.org/home-and-news/665-2011-cfp#swg

Proposals will be reviewed, and in order to improve the on-site discussions, all panels will have a discussant. Colleagues willing to act as discussants may apply as far as they have already taken part to at least two previous meetings of the section and/or are well-known researchers in the field. Paper givers may also volunteer to be discussants in other panels than theirs. Would-be discussants should specify in which field of political communication they are rather willing to work and also send in the same personal data required from paper givers.

Also, in keeping with our section’s tradition of exploring points of intersect with other research groups of IAMCR, this year we wish to convene a joint panel with the Post-Socialist, Post-Authoritarian and Intercultural Communication Working Group on the theme: “Political Communication in the Post-Socialist countries of Eastern Europe”. Those who wish to submit a proposal for this session are encouraged to contact Philippe J. Maarek (maarek@univ-paris12.fr This email address is being protected from spam bots, you need Javascript enabled to view it) Head of the Political Communication Section, and Anastasia Grusha, Deputy Head of the Post-Socialist, Post-Authoritarian and Intercultural Communication Working group, at grusha.anastasia@smi.msu.ru This email address is being protected from spam bots, you need Javascript enabled to view it.

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