

ICA Political Communication Division 2014 Business Meeting Minutes (Seattle)

1. Welcome (Claes de Vreese)

- Conference called to order at 4.30 p.m.
- Approval of the 2013 Business Meeting Minutes
(<http://www.politicalcommunication.org/2013ICAMinutes.pdf>; minutes approved)

2. Report from ICA Board of Directors meeting (Claes de Vreese)

- Seattle: 2,600 participants, 2nd largest ICA conference to date
- ICA financially healthy
- Midterm board meeting in DC in January 14 and regular board meeting in Seattle
- Seattle shows decreasing acceptance rate at ICA; rate 2014 at 36%
- Rising demand in ICA participation will spark some changes to conference format (after 2019); please contact the division chair if you have ideas about how more papers can be accommodated at ICA; A survey concerning the future format of the conference will be sent out. Taking the survey is highly encouraged since it will affect the future format of all ICA conferences.
- From Regional Rep to Internationalization Rep
- We want to congratulate members of the Political Communication Division who have been recognized in the ICA wide awards: Joerg Matthes (Uni Vienna; Young Scholar Award) and Karen Tenenboim-Weinblatt (Hebrew U; Outstanding Article Award) and Winfried Schulz (U Erlangen-Nuremberg; ICA Fellow)
- Midterm board meeting in DC in January 14 and regular board meeting in Seattle
- Journals
 - Task Force on New Journal
 - ICA affiliate journals
- Future conferences:
 - 2015 PUERTO RICO
 - 2016 JAPAN
 - 2017 SAN DIEGO

- 2018 PRAGUE
- 2019 WASHINGTON DC

3. Annual Report of the Division (Claes de Vreese)

- Remembering a special moment: **40 Years Political Communication Division!** Flash stick present to members at the business meeting to celebrate the founding mother and fathers of the division.
- ICA PolCom pre-conferences on “Social and Semantic Networks in Communication Research” (Christian Baden) and “Qualitative Political Communication Research” (Rasmus Kleis Nielsen)
- New award (PhD dissertation); next in 2015
- Graduate Student Preconference @ UW
 - 19 participants from 7 countries
 - Student presentations & feedback
 - Skills (publishing, building a CV, networking)
 - Thanks to: Talia Stroud, Tamir Sheaffer, Jesper Stromback, Claes de Vreese and Patricia Moy at UW
- Co-sponsor of pre- and post-conferences
- If you have ideas for pre-conferences for the Puerto Rico conference, please let Jesper know
- Secretary/Treasurer
 - Secretary: Sophie Lecheler
 - 700 members
- Budget: Recap last year
 - Division was financially healthy

- 2013: first ‘new’ royalties from T&F (app 25K\$)
- 2013: Divisional decision to focus on graduate and young scholar activities; first summer school (2014)
- Negotiations with ICA successful: special PC fund (2013: 22,923\$)
- Budget overview

INCOME 2014		EXPENSES 2014	
\$4,828	ICA	\$3,200	Travel grants
\$3,750	T&F stipend	\$1,600	Awards/plaques
\$1,000	T&F reception	\$9,000	Conference (business meeting & reception)
\$30,360	Royalties (03/14)	\$13,765	Summer school
		\$1,000	Grad pre conference
\$39,938	=TOTAL INCOME	\$28,565	=TOTAL EXPENSE

- Expected result 2014: \$11,373 + Budget from last year / Royalty funds: \$22,923
- Expected Royalty fund per 31-12-2014 = app \$34,296
- Future:
 - Young Scholar / student representative
 - Young Scholar Activity Committee
 - Divisional Internationalization representative
- Newsletter / Website / Blog: Political Communication Report (Eike Rinke; Thanks to Talia Stroud!)
 - Please check out the website!
 - The first issues of the year has come out
 - If you want to contribute (newsletter, blog, etc.), please let Eike know
 - The newsletter and website will get a design makeover!
- Journal Report: Political Communication (Claes de Vreese for Shanto Iyengar)
 - We have a healthy journal!

- Journal report:
 - Stable submission rate of 300 submissions
 - Number of (active) reviewers: 210
 - Total number of reviews: 509
 - Page expansion: from 5 to 7 articles per issue; backlog app 9 months
 - Accept: 9.2%; Major Revision: 14.9%; Minor Revision: 8.1%, Reject: 52.8%; Pending: 13.4%, Withdrawn: 1.5%
- Thank you Shanto for your great service!

4. Program planner's report (Jesper Stromback)

- Individual submissions: 286
- Panel submissions: 16
- Total: 302 submissions
- (319 and 29 in London 2013)
- Acceptance rate individual submissions: 44%
- Acceptance rate panel submissions: 25%
- 30 sessions + business meeting and reception + interactive poster session
- Number of reviewers: 208 (up from 182)
- TO ALL REVIEWERS FOR VOLUNTEERING: YOUR WORK AND HELP IS LITERALLY INDISPENSIBLE!

5. Division Awards

- Travel Grants

Valeriani Augusto, University of Bologna, Italy

Mark Boukes, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

Sara K. Yeo, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA

Larisa Doroshenko, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA

Christine Filer, University of Arizona, USA

Yulia Medvedeva, University of Missouri, USA

Eran Amsalem, Hebrew University, Israel

Naama Weiss, Hebrew University, Israel
Ayellet Pelled, University of Haifa, Israel
Jun Yin, National Sun Yat-Sen University, Taiwan
Eike Mark Rinke, University of Mannheim

- Student Paper Awards

(1) Eike Mark Rinke: “The Substantive Cost of the Sound Bite: Short Utterance Durations Decrease Opinion Justification”

(2) Bjoern Burscher: “Automatic Coding of Policy Issues in News Articles and Parliamentary Questions”

(3) Jasper van de Pol, Bregje Holleman, Naomi Kamoen & Andre Krouwel: “Users of VAAs – A Typology”

- Faculty Paper Awards

W. Russell Neuman, Lauren Guggenheim, Seung Mo Jang & Soo Young Bae: “Agenda-Setting in Social Media and Traditional Media: A Time Series Analysis of Big Data”

- Kaid-Sanders Award

Committee: Jörg Matthes (chair) ; Sebastián Valenzuela; Silke Adam; Boguslawa Dobek-Ostrowska; Jae Kook Lee

2 honorable mentions:

* de Nooy, W., & Kleinnijenhuis, J. (2013). Polarization in the Media during an Election Campaign: A Dynamic Network Model Predicting Support and Attack Among Political Actors. *Political Communication*, 30(1), 117-138.

* Levendusky, M. (2013). Why Do Partisan Media Polarize Viewers? *American Journal of Political Science*, 57(3), 611-623

Winner:

Wolfsfeld, G., Segev, E. & Sheafer, T. (2013). Social Media and the Arab Spring: Politics Comes First. *International Journal of Press Politics*, 18(2), 115-137

- David Swanson Award 2012

Committee members: Gianpietro Mazzoleni (Chair); Magdalena Wojcieszak; Lindsay Hoffman; Steven Livingston; David L Paletz

Winner: Patricia Moy; UW

6. New Business?

- None

7. Passing of the Gavel

- Jesper Stromback (Mid Sweden U), Chair
- Peter van Aelst (Antwerp U), Vice Chair and Program Planner
- Talia Stroud (UT Austin) Secretary

8. Next year

- CU in Puerto Rico....

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5.30 pm