

## ICA POLITICAL COMMUNICATION DIVISION NEWSLETTER (August 2017)

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\* Call for pre- and postconferences

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### LOOKING BACK at San Diego 2017

The ICA general meeting was again a successful one for our division. Although during the conference the weather in Denmark was better than in San Diego, we have several reasons to be satisfied:

- We accepted 168 individual papers and 6 panel submissions, which resulted in 40 pol com panels and a large poster session.
- We had the biggest Political Communication PhD-conference hosting 22 participants.
- In addition, we co-sponsored 6 pre-conferences on a wide range of topics.
- We welcomed Shannon McGregor as our first student and early career representative. Get in contact with her if you have questions or ideas for young scholars :  
shannon.c.mcgregor@utexas.edu
- We made several people happy with a best (student) paper award. Congrats to Laia Castro Herrero, Lilach Nir, Morten Skovsgaard, Jennifer Pan, Gary King, Margaret Roberts, Sven Engesser, Nicole Ernst, Florin Buechel, Frank Esser, Daniel Kreiss, Shannon McGregor, Jakob Ohme, Jakob-Moritz Eberl.
- The Kaid-Sanders Award for the best journal article went to Roderick P. Hart and Alexander L. Curry for their paper in Presidential Studies Quarterly, "The Third Voice of American Politics". Congratulations!
- The Outstanding PhD Award went to Eike Mark Rinke. He got another round of applause for his service as our social media wizard.
- Our division is in a good financial situation. Mainly thanks to our flagship journal Political Communication. Good job, Claes!
- We had a great off site reception with a lot of members enjoying food, drinks and each other's company.

A big thank you to our program planner Kim Gross and the 273 reviewers that helped out!

You want more info on what was discussed at the business meeting, learn more about award winners or see some nice pictures (thank you Thomas Haeussler) go to our website for the minutes of the business meeting (in 3 separate documents). <http://politicalcommunication.org/ica-division/leadership/>

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### Pre/Postconference proposals 2018

San Diego has passed, time to start thinking about Prague 2018. Interested in organizing a pre- or postconference? Don't hesitate too long and apply at ICA before Friday, **1 September 2017**. Our division can co-sponsor and advertise the event, but we don't provide financial support. If you want our co-sponsorship, send your proposal to [kimgross@gwu.edu](mailto:kimgross@gwu.edu)

More info and a form to apply on the ICA website: <http://www.icahdq.org/?page=PREPOST2018>

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If you have important information you want to share with all members, let me know ([peter.vanaelst@uantwerpen](mailto:peter.vanaelst@uantwerpen)). If you have an announcements that need to be distributed more quickly, send it to our social media editor Björn Buß ([bjoern.buss@uni.leuphana.de](mailto:bjoern.buss@uni.leuphana.de)).

Enjoy the summer (or what is left of it),

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