



ECREA Section Mediatization

Report 2017

Overview

The main activities of the section 'Mediatization' have been concerned with:

- Annual workshop 2017
- ECREA conference in Lugano: section activities
- Publications
- Next annual workshop/conference

Annual workshop/conference

The mid-term workshop/conference of the section mediatization was held in Lisbon, Portugal, on October 6-7, 2017. The conference was organised by Rita Figueiras and Göran Bolin, and was held at the Research Centre for Communication and Culture at Universidade Católica Portuguesa. The theme was "Mediatization in a global perspective: Comparing theoretical approaches in a digitised world" (<https://cecc-fch-ucp.wixsite.com/mediatization2017>). The conference attracted 38 participants, and 24 papers were presented, plus a roundtable discussion. A post-conference workshop for PhD students was arranged by YECREA representative in the management committee, Matthias Berg.

Pre- conference at ICA in Prague

In connection with the ICA conference in Prague, the section is arranging a pre-conference on the theme of "Trust, control, and privacy: Mediatization of childhood and adolescence in a digital age". The pre-conference is co-organized together with the *ECREA TWG Children Youth and Media* and the *ICA Children Adolescents and Media Division*. It is supported by *Charles University Prague* and *Masaryk University*, and will be held at the Institute of Communication Studies and Journalism at *Charles University Prague* on 23 May.

Publications

In addition to general publication activities of section members, an edited volume on *Dynamics of Mediatization: Institutional Change and Everyday Transformations in a Digital Age* (Palgrave, 2017), edited by Stig Hjarvard (former chair), Göran Bolin (present co-chair), Andreas Hepp (former co-chair) and Olivier Driessens (former YECREA-representative). Several of the book chapters originate in papers presented at mid-term conferences and at the Prague conference 2016.

Another book – *A Mediatização da Política na Era das Redes Sociais (Mediatization of Politics in a Social Media Age*, Alethêia, 2017) – was published in Portuguese by Rita Figueiras (present co-chair).

Website, members and election of new management team

In addition to the facilities of the ECREA website the section also uses the website www.mediatization.eu as a resource for members concerning both internal section affairs and general research activities concerning mediatization.

The number of members of the ECREA section Mediatization is currently 226.

The management team has consisted of:

Professor Caja Thimm, University of Bonn, chair.

Professor Rita Figueiras, Universidade Catolica Portuguesa, vice-chair.

Professor Göran Bolin, Södertörn University, Sweden, vice-chair.

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Cindy Roitsch, Post.Doc., University of Bremen.

Dr. Matthias Berg, Post. Doc., University of Bremen.

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