

Dear members of the Standing Group on Political Communication,

Please find below several important announcements, including a call for a section proposal in next year's ECPR general conference, a call for a workshop at the Joint Sessions conference in 2020, a job opening at the University of Innsbruck, an invitation to participate in a survey and several calls for papers for special issues. If you have any news for the next newsletter, please email: <u>loes.aaldering@univie.ac.at</u>.

Kind regards,

The Steering Committee of the ECPR's research network on Political Communication

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Call for Sections – ECPR General Conference 2019

We would like to have another Political Communication section at the General Conference of the ECPR in Wroclaw in 2019. If you have any input for this section or if you like to co-organize this section (in cooperation with the Standing Group), please let us know **as soon as possible but no later than 1 November**. The official deadline for the proposal is November 19, 2018.

You may be aware that the ECPR have recently launched a new Gender Equality Plan, which can be accessed via the ECPR website. An element of this plan relates to the section of the Standing Group on Political Communication on next year's General Conference: 50% of the Section Chairs must be female.

Call for Workshops – ECPR Joint Sessions 2020

We believe that there should be a Political Communication workshop at the ECPR Joint Sessions in 2020. If you have any input for this workshop or if you like to co-organize such a workshop (in cooperation with the research network), please let us know. The deadline for the proposal is February 1, 2019.

Job Opening

Where: University of Innsbruck, Political Science Department
Position: Postdoctoral Researcher
Topic: Political Communication and Digital Complexity
Contract: 6 years, with tenure options
Deadline: 16-10-2018
More information: https://www.uibk.ac.at/politikwissenschaft/news/2018/ausschreibungstext pcdc eng.pdf

Invitation to participate: Survey on challenges in race- and ethnicity-related research

Research projects that involve race and ethnicity face unique challenges due to the conflictual nature of these group categories. We aim to produce *guidelines on challenges and best practices* for race- and ethnicity-related empirical research that involves human subjects.

To inform our guidelines, *we need your valuable experiences* from the field! Please share your experience if you came across race or ethnicity in your work - as a researcher, supervisor or committee member. Participation will take <u>less than 10 minutes</u>. Your knowledge will greatly help future researchers in implementing ethical and robust research!

To the survey: <u>https://ww3.unipark.de/uc/challenges_research_race_ethnicity</u> Among all participants, we raffle 3 x \$30 book vouchers. Your participation is highly appreciated!

In the name of project team, many thanks! David (Dr. David Schieferdecker // Free University Berlin // <u>d.schieferdecker@fu-berlin.de</u>)

Call for Papers

Special issue: **Mass Communication and Society** Title: *Refugees, Media, and Public Opinion: Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives* Deadline: 01-11-2018 The editors of the Special Issue are Hajo Boomgaarden, Jorg Matthes and Sophie Lecheler. More information can be found here: <u>http://explore.tandfonline.com/cfp/ah/hcms-si-refugees-2q2018</u>

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Special issue: **Social Science Computer Review** Title: *Gender and Digital Media: friend or foe in times of change* Deadline: 15-01-2019 The editors of the Special Issue are Shelley Boulianne, Karolina Koc-Michalska and Thierry Vedel. More information can be found here: <u>https://academic.macewan.ca/bouliannes/files/2018/07/CfP_SSCR-special-issue_Gender-and-digital-media-July30.pdf</u>

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