

Montreal 2014 Paper Competition

International Communication Division

Robert L. Stevenson Open Paper Competition & Markham Student Paper

Competition: The International Communication Division welcomes original, non-published research papers that *focus clearly on international aspects of journalism and mass communication*. We accept up to two papers per author for review. Papers that merely examine communication phenomena outside of the United States do not necessarily fit in this division, and the research committee reserves the right to transfer papers to other divisions if it determines that the paper would be better suited for another division. Any theoretical and methodological approaches appropriate to communication research are acceptable and encouraged. Papers are submitted either to the Robert L. Stevenson open paper competition (faculty and student-faculty) or the Markham student competition (strictly student-authored papers). All research papers must be uploaded through an online server to the group appropriate to the paper's topic and author (faculty or student) via a link on the AEJMC website. Detailed information will be sent to authors with notification that their papers have been accepted. In addition to guidelines that apply to all AEJMC paper competitions, please follow ICD's specific guidelines listed below.

Guidelines: Format should be Word, WordPerfect, or a PDF. Researchers also must upload a paper abstract of no more than 75 words. The body of the paper should not exceed 25 pages with 12-point font, double-spaced format, and margins of one inch on all sides (The page count does not include notes, references, tables, figures and/or illustrations). Authors should use the style appropriate for the discipline, including APA, Chicago, Harvard, and other styles.

Completely fill out the online submission form with author(s) name, affiliation, mailing address, telephone number and email address. The paper title should be on the first page of the text and on running heads on each page of text, as well as on the title page. **Do not include author's name or other identifying information on running heads, the title page, pages throughout the document, the properties or hidden popup options (specifically on material submitted as PDF). Submissions that exceed the guidelines for page limit or with identifying information in the properties or text of the document will not be accepted.**

For instruction on removing identifying information from the document that you submit, please use these guidelines: <http://www.aejmc.org/home/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/Ensure-a-Blind-Review.pdf> If an author's work must be cited, use "author citation," in the text and references. For example, in the text, an acceptable reference to your citation is: (Author citation, 2012). In the reference section, please use this format: Author citation. 2012. Please contact the research chair before submitting the paper if you have any questions: jrelly@email.arizona.edu

Authors are responsible for following the guidelines for paper submissions outlined in the AEJMC uniform paper call and additional ICD guidelines listed in this call. Papers that do not meet these guidelines will not be reviewed (Note: Papers

submitted to the wrong competition, papers containing any identifying information, or submissions consisting only of abstracts will be disqualified immediately.). Submissions will be blind-reviewed by a panel; selections are based on merit.

Awards: ICD awards cash prizes for the top three faculty papers and the top three student papers. Student winners will also receive free conference registration. Both *The Asian Journal of Communication* and *Ecquid Novi: African Journalism Studies* also sponsor a “Best Paper Award” with cash prizes. (Cash prizes are forfeited if an author fails to present the work.) The Latino/Latin American Research Award provided by Florida International University School of Journalism and Mass Communication will honor three top papers in the International Communication or Minorities and Communication divisions with cash prizes and conference registration waivers.

Asian Journal of Communication Best Paper Award: The AJC Best Paper Award is presented annually by the *Asian Journal of Communication* (AJC), a refereed international publication of the Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC) and the Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information at Nanyang Technological University in Singapore, to an outstanding paper selected from the AEJMC International Communication Division’s Open Paper Competition. Established in 2003, the award is aimed at promoting mass communication research concerning the Asia-Pacific region. All papers (with a focus on or relevance to mass communication in the Asia-Pacific region or an Asia-Pacific country) submitted to the annual ICD Open Paper Competition are eligible for the AJC Best Paper Award contest and will be reviewed automatically for the award. All research methodologies are welcome.

Ecquid Novi: African Journalism Studies Best Paper Award for Journalism Research: The ICD’s “Best Paper Award for Journalism Research” is sponsored annually by *Ecquid Novi: African Journalism Studies* for the most outstanding paper selected from the submissions to the AEJMC International Communication Division’s Open Paper Competition. Established in 2003, the award is aimed at promoting research in global journalism which will enhance and enrich our understanding of issues such as international news flow, news theory, media ethics, media education, gender, and race, as well as specific topics, such as the media and AIDS. In line with the division’s international character, the award is also aimed at promoting research that addresses North-South and South-South journalism issues.

Latino/Latin American Research Award: This is the inaugural year of this award, provided by Florida International University School of Journalism and Mass Communication, which honors the top three research papers submitted to either the International Communication or the Minorities in Communication divisions by Hispanic scholars for journalism and mass media research relevant to their communities in Latin America, the Caribbean, the United States, Canada, or the Iberian Peninsula, including domestic and international communication. Topics include Inter-American or Iberian-American communication, news media flows, media theory, media technology or new media, communication for development and social change, media law and ethics, media education, ethnic or gender media and integration, media economics, media and the environment, political communication,

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critical media studies, popular culture, and cultural studies, among others. The award will recognize all research methodologies. Eligible scholars regard themselves as members of the Latino, Hispanic or Latin American community. The competition is open to AEJMC members and non-members, students and faculty. The first awards are scheduled for the AEJMC annual conference in Montreal and will be administered by the International Communication and the Minorities and Communication divisions.

If you have questions about the call or the 2014 ICD research competition, contact: **Robert L. Stevenson Open Paper Competition Chair** – Jeannine Relly, The University of Arizona, jrelly@email.arizona.edu, **Markham Student Competition Chair** – Yusuf Kalyango Jr., Ohio University, kalyango@ohio.edu.