

Call for Papers

The Participatory Communication Research Section (PCR) invites submissions for its sessions at the IAMCR Conference in Cairo. The work that is presented in the Participatory Communication Research Section is not based on any specific definition of participation. Rather, participation is a term used to refer to a number of social and planning processes occurring in many different places and in many different contexts. The Section addresses issues related to communication between community members and other stakeholders that are engaged in processes of social change. The sessions are meant to work toward theoretical and methodological clarification. Therefore, both papers and statements discussing theoretical or methodological perspectives and/or documenting specific case studies are welcomed.

Topics cover a wide variety of issues that relate to research in relation to processes of communication that incorporate participation in an intrinsic way. This includes subjects and processes of democratisation, communication and information rights, ICTs for sustainable development, health communication, environmental communication, agricultural extension services, folk media and social movements, communication planning activities and interventions, national and cultural identities, community studies and the relationship between participation, empowerment and gender, community radio and participatory video production, non-formal participatory forms of education, participatory rapid appraisals, participatory action research, and so on.

Joint sessions with other relevant sections and working groups can be organised. Please do not submit your abstract to several sections and groups.

The deadline for the submission of abstracts (500 words) is January 15, 2006. You will be informed whether or not your abstract is accepted by March 1, 2006. The deadline of full papers is June 15, 2006.

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