

## **IAMCR Prize in Memory of Dallas W. Smythe**

Professor Dallas Smythe was a founder of the field of political economy of communication and a leading scholar and influence in national and international communication policy. Trained as an economist, Smythe's professional career included appointments at the Department of Labor and the Federal Communication Commission in the United States, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and the University of Regina. He was Professor of Communication at Simon Fraser University Canada from 1976 till his death in 1992.

Dallas Smythe was an active member of IAMCR. He established the Communication Satellites Section which later became known as the Communication Policy & Technology Section and he was an active participant in the Political Economy Section.

In recognition of his work, the Dallas Smythe Memorial Endowment Fund was established in the School of Communication at Simon Fraser University in 1992 "to further the understanding of communication studies," through an invited lecture series and related activities.

### ***Criteria***

Criteria for award of a prize to an author(s) of a paper accepted for presentation at the major biannual IAMCR conferences:

- A paper for which an award is made will be deemed to make a contribution to furthering the understanding of communication studies from a critical perspective and be grounded in some way in the tradition of the study of the 'political economy of communication'.
- A paper for which an award is made will be deemed by the Smythe Award Panel to be of a high scholarly standard.

### ***Procedure***

- Papers may be submitted by students and younger scholars associated with any section or working group of IAMCR.
- Papers submitted for consideration by the Smythe Award Panel must be submitted by 16 May 2008 at [lamcr@lse.ac.uk](mailto:lamcr@lse.ac.uk) **indicating clearly you are applying for the Smythe award.**
- An award will not necessarily be made at every conference.
- If an award is made, the author(s) will be notified within 3 weeks of the start of the conference.
- The award will normally be in the amount of US\$ 500.

### ***Smythe Award Panel 2008***

- Robin Mansell, IAMCR President
- Annabelle Sreberny, Vice-President
- Vincent Mosco, IAMCR member
- Janet Wasko, IAMCR Political Economy Section Head
- Yuezhi Zhao, IAMCR member

### ***Contributions***

An IAMCR prize fund has been created and you can contribute to either or both funds from the Online Fee Payment section at IAMCR website.