

ANNUAL REPORT -IAMCR'S PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

July 2021 – June 2022

(Report prepared by Chair: Maria Michalis)

Publication Committee members: Luis Albornoz, Marjan de Bruin, Sarah Cardey, Changfeng Chen, Sadia Jamil, Joe Khalil, Bruce Mutsvairo, Levi Obonyo, Claudia Padovani, Pradip Thomas (until December 2021), Janet Wasko, Usha Raman (EB liaison),

Introduction: Membership and key issues & activities

We had 11 online meetings. The rest of the year communication among the members of the PC was done by email.

Membership

In December 2021, Pradip Thomas, a long-standing and valuable member of the Committee, announced his decision to step down. The Committee recognised Pradip's valuable contributions to the Committee and, even though they were sorry to see him leave, they understood his reasons.

The Committee has welcomed Sadia Jamil and Bruce Mutsvairo (incoming editors of the IAMCR/Palgrave series) as members.

The Committee has decided that Books Series editors would be *ad hoc Committee members*.

Ad hoc Committee members:

- will be invited to PC meetings though they are not required to attend all of them,
- will be notified whenever there is an agenda item that concerns them,
- can put items on the PC agenda.

Key issues & activities

The work of the Committee focused on the following areas. Briefly:

1. Publication ethics: We finalised the 'Publications Committee: Ethics Policy Document.' This was endorsed by the IC in January 2022.
2. Possibility of IAMCR journal: We are making progress on this following the support of the idea by the IC.
3. 5-year plan: We have started working on its implementation.

4. Finding new editors for the IAMCR/ Palgrave Series: in cooperation with the EB and the IC, we agreed on a process, advertised a call of expressions of interest, assessed the applications, and proposed a new team to the IC. The PC was impressed by the high quality of applications received. The new Series Editors are Sadia Jamil and Bruce Mutsvairo.

The rest of the report covers:

Developments regarding existing IAMCR series

- i. *Global Transformations in Media and Communication Research*, co-published by Palgrave and IAMCR
- ii. *The Global Handbooks in Media Communication Research* series, co-published by Wiley-Blackwell and IAMCR

1. Developments regarding existing IAMCR Series

A) **The *Global Transformations in Media and Communication Research*, co-published by Palgrave and IAMCR**



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Claudia Padovani and Marjan De Bruin
Series' editors

The Palgrave/IAMCR series continues to build up an important collection of thought-provoking volumes on global media and communication research.

Currently, the series has published fifteen (17) volumes with four books forthcoming. All published titles are publicized on the [IAMCR/Palgrave series webpage](#) (see also list below in Annex).

IAMCR members are (still) entitled to a special 35% discount on all titles in the series.

From July 2021 to July 5, 2022 several activities related to the Palgrave/ IAMCR Series have been taking place.

New books in 2021/2022:

Two manuscripts have been finalised into books: 1) *The Transformation of the Media System in Turkey: Citizenship, Communication and Convergence*, by Eylem Yanardağoğlu and 2) *Media and the Dissemination of Fear*, by Nelson Ribeiro & Christian Schwarzenegger.

Books forthcoming:

Four books are forthcoming

Epistemic Rights in the Era of Digital Disruption, Horowitz et al (2023)

Global Communication Governance at the Crossroads, Padovani et al (2023)

Communicology from the South, Sierra & Valle (2022)

Media Governance, Ganter & Badr (2022)

New proposals:

3 New proposals have been received and are being reviewed

Special books:

One of the special arrangements in the series is the translation of relevant non-English works for an English audience. This year *Communicology of the South* (Carlos del Valle Rojas and Fransisco Sierra) with the financial help of the IAMCR's special fund (alongside funds secured by editors) was finalised and accepted by Palgrave. In achieving this, we fulfilled one of our important goals: to make original non-English texts known to a broad international readership.

The Advisory Board:

There was no chance to organize a meeting with the Advisory Board, as everyone was very busy; but series' editors have reached out to the AB to get their comments on incoming

proposals and their advice on issues of book pricing, relevance of translation and more.

Human Resources:

- Last year the founders of the series *Global Transformations in Media and Communications* –Claudia and Marjan – announced it was time for them to change the guard. Together with the chair of the Publication Committee and the Vice- President of IAMCR, they elaborated a call for expression of interest; which was then issued by the EB. About 6 expressions of interest were received (by pairs of candidates, as per the call) and a review process was set up. Finally shortlisted IAMCR members were interviewed. Sadia Jamil (Khalifa University of Science and Technology, Abu Dhabi) and Bruce Mutsvairo (Utrecht University) were identified as the next set of Series Editors.
- The relationship of the IAMCR series editors with Palgrave MacMillan has been somewhat challenging, given Palgrave's short term editors. Mala Sanghera Warren, who was on the spot for years, left Palgrave at the end of June 2021, Lina Aoujeb filled in temporarily, followed by Lauriane Piette who is the liaison person since August 2021.

Expanding languages:

The series editors and Advisory Board should continue to solicit contributions from the continents of Africa and Asia, as well as from the Latin American as was discussed by the series Advisory Board.

Other Series Editors' activities:

In 2021/2022 the Series Editors also:

- * Worked with the Advisor Board members who shared with us their views and discussions re incoming proposals. Current Advisory Board members are listed on the Series webpage: Martín Becerra, Marjan de Bruin, Claudia Padovani; Gerard Goggin, Robin Mansell, Francesca Musiani, Hillel Nossek, Kaarle Nordenstreng, Marc Raboy, Usha Raman, Ruth Teer-Tomaselli, Pradip Thomas, Daya Thussu, Elena Vartanova and Janet Wasko.
- * Participated in the Publication Committee (PC) (both series' editors are members of the PC).
- * Maintained communication with the always helpful IAMCR secretariat (publicising new volumes, helping with the celebration of the Series in July, etc.)
- * Engaged with potential authors who expressed an interest on submitting proposals. proposals.
- * Made a profile text, a "guideline, " to be used by the Publication Committee and/or the Executive Board to approach and solicit interested IAMCR members.
- * And made it clear to the PC that we, the Series Editors, intended to step down from their role.

Celebrating 10 years of the IAMCR Palgrave series:

The outgoing series editors, with the support of the Publications Committee, is organising a celebratory event to commemorate ten years of the IAMCR Palgrave Series on *Global Transformations in Media & Communications Research*, and to mark the transition to a new editorial team. The event – to take place on July 5, 2022 (14.00 cet) - will include some short presentations by authors and editors who have produced books in the series and be held online, bringing together members of the Publication Committee, the editorial Advisory Board members, and the outgoing and incoming editors of the series.

The Zoom meeting will be held before the Annual Conference and recorded, with the recording hosted on the conference platform for viewing.

Passing the baton:

This is the last Series report that we are writing. We would like to sincerely thank all those who have been supportive and helpful in the management of the Global Transformations in Media & Communication Research over the years: all the IAMCR members who have chosen this space to share their research and ideas, all those who have encouraged us by expressing their appreciation for how the series has been designed, managed and developed.

In particular we are grateful to the Advisory Board for their continued support and quick feedback: their comments and suggestions, which is part of an extensive review process, helps authors finalize their work, while meeting scientific standards which has become the series' trademarks, providing a truly transnational space of scientific dialogue.

We are honored to have been part of this collective endeavor, and happy to follow its future progress.

Claudia Padovani and Marjan de Bruin
June 30, 2022

Annex

Published volumes:

Volumes that have been published since 2014:

Authors/s – Editor/s	Title
Claudia Padovani and Andrew Calabrese (2014)	<i>Communication Rights and Social Justice. Historical accounts of transnational mobilizations</i>
Luis Albornoz (2015)	<i>Power, Media, Culture</i>
Francesco Fattorello (2015)	<i>The Theory of the Social Practice of Information</i>

Chris Paterson, David Lee, Anamik
Saha and Anna Zoeller (2016)

Advancing Media Production Research

Ravindra Kumar Vemula and
SubbaRao M. Gavaravarapu (2017)

*Health Communication in the Changing
Media Landscape*

Sergio Sparviero, Corinna Peil and
Gabriele Balbi (2017)

Media Convergence and Deconvergence

Francisco Sierra Caballero and
Tommaso Gravante (2017)

*Networks, Movements and Technopolitics
in Latin America*

Sandra Ristovska and Monroe Price (2018)

Visual Imagery and Human Rights Practice

Muniz Sodré (2019)

The Science of the Commons

Massimo Ragnedda and Anna
Gladkova (2020)

Digital Inequalities in the Global South

Joana Díaz-Pont et al (2020)

*The Local and the Digital in Environmental
Communication*

Löic Ballarini (2020)

The Independence of the News Media

Cees Hamelink (2020)

Communication and Peace

Sandra Jeppesen and Paola
Sartoretto (2020)

Media Activist Research Ethics

Adrian Athique and Vibodh
Parthasarathi (2020)

Platform Capitalism in India

Published books 2021/2022:

Eylem Yanardağoğlu

*The Transformation of the Media System in
Turkey: Citizenship, Communication and
Convergence*

Nelson Ribeiro & Christian Schwarzenegger *Media and the Dissemination of Fear*

The Global Handbooks in Media Communication Research series, co-published by Wiley-Blackwell and IAMCR

The Series Editors are Janet Wasko and Karin Gwinn Wilkins. They reported the following.

Summary of activities during July 2021-July 2022

We have continued working on the series with Nicole Allen, our editor at Wiley Blackwell. The aim is to see 2-3 volumes published each year. While no new handbooks were released during the past year, the following manuscripts are under contract and in progress:

Conflict and Peace Communication
Media and Culture in the Middle East
Religion and Communication
Gender and Human Rights
Sports Communication
Digital Labor
Journalism and Emotion

We also have been working with potential editors and encouraging proposals on the following new topics:

Community media
Popular culture
Environment and media
Media and history
Participatory communication

In addition, we are encouraging new editions for:

Media audiences
Political Economy of media/communication

We continue to rely on the members of our Advisory Board as possible proposal reviewers. The description of the series and the guidelines for proposals can be found at <https://iamcr.org/publications/iamcr-handbook>.

Series Editors

Janet Wasko and Karin Gwinn Wilkins

Ex Officio Editor: Nico Carpentier

Advisory Board: Divina Frau-Meigs (France), Cees Hamelink (Netherlands), Tawana Kupe (South Africa), Guillermo Mastrini (Argentina), Richard Maxwell (USA), Aimeé Vega Montiel (Mexico), Graham Murdock (UK), Vinod Pavarala (India), Jack Qiu (Singapore/Hong Kong), Jessica Retis (USA), Helena Sousa (Portugal) and Thomas Tufte (UK)