

Audience and Reception Studies Section

Modus Operandi

1. Status

- 1.1. The Audience and Reception Studies Section is an integral part of ECREA and exists under its authority.
- 1.2. The section is independent in its decisions and its strategic direction provided that it respects ECREA statutes and the policies and decisions of the Executive Board.

2. Membership

- 2.1. The Audience and Reception Studies Section is constituted by all ECREA members who express their interest in joining the section.
- 2.2. ECREA members can join the Audience and Reception Studies section via the ECREA Intranet.

3. Section business meeting

- 3.1. The Audience and Reception Studies Section holds an annual business meeting, open to all interested ECREA members.
- 3.2. The section business meeting is sovereign in making decisions regarding the general direction of the section and the current issues to be addressed by the section.
- 3.3. Only the section business meeting can modify the Modus operandi or the Mission statement.
- 3.4. Minutes and decisions of the section business meeting shall be communicated to all section members by e-mail within a maximum of one month after the meeting.

4. Section Management Team

- 4.1. The Section Management Team is responsible for the day-to-day running of the section. It is composed of one Chair and two Vice-Chairs.
- 4.2. The Section Management Team is accountable for its decisions to the section business meeting and the ECREA Executive Board.
- 4.3. Chair and Vice-Chairs are elected every two years. The maximum term for a member of the Section Management Team is 6 consecutive years. Preferably, a new member will enter the Section Management Team at the position of Vice-Chair, and become a Chair after having been a Vice-Chair.
- 4.4. The election of the Chair and Vice-Chairs takes place through a secret ballot at any section event (including the annual business meeting) and by e-mail for the absent members. If no section event is held at the convenient moment, the election will take place through e-mail only.
- 4.5. Three months before the end of the mandate of the outgoing Section Management Team, candidates can put themselves forward for election as a team and by sending an e-mail to the Chair.
- 4.6. The results of the election shall be communicated to all section members by e-mail within a maximum of one month after the voting.

5. General voting procedure

- 5.1. Only section members qualify to vote.

5.2. Decisions require a simple majority of votes.

5.3. Each section member may be represented by another member by way of a written and signed proxy delivered before the voting.