**Philosophy of Communication section**

**Report 2014**

**Management team**

At the 2014 business meeting, Mats Bergman (University of Helsinki) was re-elected section chair. Lydia Sanchez (University of Barcelona) and Bart Vandenabeele (Ghent University) were re-elected vice-chairs. Carlos Roos (Ghent University) is the section’s YECREA representative.

**Members**

Membership remains steady; the section has more than 150 members.

**Activities**

The section organised the conference **Pragmatism and Communication** in Helsinki, June 3-5, 2015. (http://www.nordprag.org/pac.html). The event explored the roles the idea or concept of ‘communication’ plays in pragmatisms of various stripes and the distinctive contributions of pragmatism to our understanding and study of communication. The speakers included Robert T. Craig (University of Colorado, Boulder), Eli Dresner (Tel Aviv University), Klaus Bruhn Jensen (University of Copenhagen), John Durham Peters (University of Iowa), Ahti-Veikko Pietarinen (University of Helsinki / Tallinn University of Technology), and Sami Pihlström (University of Helsinki / University of Jyväskylä).

The section’s sessions at the 2014 European Communication Conference in Lisbon were well-attended and stimulating. Two special panels, **Materialism and Communication** and **Media Ethics**, were organised by members of the management team.

In October 2015, the section will organise the workshop **Models of Communication: Theoretical and Philosophical Approaches** in Vilnius(see http://philosophyofcommunication.eu).

**Web site**

At an earlier stage, the old web site of the section was transferred to the ECREA site. As the new ECREA web development environment has not yet been implemented, the section has registered a new domain (http://philosophyofcommunication.eu), and has begun to develop its own site.