

Report of the ECREA Radio Research Section, 2010

Section panels and business meeting held, Hamburg, Germany, 13-15 October

The main business of the year was the organisation of the successful Radio Research Section contribution to the ECC10 conference which took place in Hamburg from 13-15 October. Section Chair Professor Guy Starkey of the University of Sunderland led the peer review and timetabling process, liaising with the conference organisers in Hamburg.

A room on the thirteenth floor of the Philosophy Tower provided an excellent venue for the series of seven panels, a poster session and the Section business meeting.



There is now a more detailed audio report on the conference, in the form of a three-part downloadable podcast on the Section web site, produced by Guy Starkey using SADiE version 5. Pictured left are some of the Section members after the final radio panel on the second day of the conference, which ended late in the evening. The organisation of the conference was excellent, and several of the Section members said they appreciated the

informality of the seminar room setting with its proximity to the main Audimax lecture theatre and a busy catering hall, as well as the magnificent views over the city of Hamburg.

The seven panels, which were held over the first two days of ECC10 were as follows:

- Radio, identity and representation
- Radio: expression and alternatives
- Radio: freedoms and expression
- Community radio: diversities and commonalities
- Radio evolutions: listening, content and platforms
- Radio in transition: Europe and beyond
- Radio: Hispanic perspectives

A number of other pictures from ECC10, including an informal social gathering, are featured in a slideshow viewer, also on the Section web site at <http://sections.ecrea.eu/RR/>

Section business meeting, 14 October

At the Section business meeting which formed part of ECC10, the current Chair and the two Vice Chairs who make up the Section Management Team, Guy Starkey,

Angeliki Gazi and Stanisław Jędrzewski, were re-elected unopposed for another two years. YECREA Representatives Judith Purkarthofer, Petra Pfisterer were confirmed in their roles by a unanimous vote of the Section members present. A full set of draft minutes from the meeting are available on the Section web site, at <http://sections.ecrea.eu/RR/> The draft minutes will be presented for ratification to the next Radio Research Section business meeting, to be held at the next ECREA European Communications Conference, in Istanbul, Turkey, in 2012.

Web site

Our webmaster Dr Irene Giannara has continued to work during the year to improve the site, update some of its contents and expand its features. She unveiled her brand new design at the Section business meeting in Hamburg. A forthcoming development will be a wiki-style bibliography aimed at scholars of radio at all levels, which is expected to be of particular use to early career researchers.



Call for papers for Radiovolution, Braga, 2011



Universidade do Minho

Stanisław Jędrzewski and his colleague at the Universidade do Minho, Dr Madalena Oliveira.

The Radio Research Section is now preparing for the next Section Conference, to be held in at the Universidade do Minho, in Braga, Portugal from 14 to 16 September 2011. The call will be published on the ECREA web site early in January 2011, and it will be circulated through the ECREA emailing list and other academic networks. The conference is being organised by Vice Chair Professor

Professor Guy Starkey,
Chair, Radio Research Section,
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