



International
Communication
Association

Communication Law and Policy

Annual Business Meeting
June 15, 2025

ICA25: Denver, Colorado, USA

AGENDA

- Notes from the Board of Directors' Meeting
- Notes from ICA Headquarters
- Prior Year's Meeting - Minutes Approval
- Year in Review: Membership Statistics; Conference Statistics; Highlights
- Updates from our Student & Early Career Representative
- Best Papers
- New leadership
- Upcoming Elections
- Questions



Notes from the Board of Directors' Meeting

The board passed a two-year 5% non-compounding increase in Tier A membership dues.

The **Activism**, Communication, and Social Justice (ACSJ) Interest Group was **elevated to division** status; The **LGBTQ Studies** Interest Group was **elevated to division** status

The establishment of a (new) **Science Communication** Interest Group passed.

A new **ICA-wide IDEA award (INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, EQUITY & ACCESS)** was established; details and the nomination process will be added to the website; **US\$10,000/year support for IDEA initiatives** passed. (IDEA definition: <https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.icahdq.org/resource/resmgr/governance-documents/policies-protocols/ideadefined.pdf>)

ICA26 in Cape Town: June 4-8, 2026; **Theme “Communication and Inequalities in Context”**

- There will be both in-person and virtual options. It's not yet decided how much of the conference will be hybrid, but it is likely to be similar to the Denver format.

Link to the ICA25 conference survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ICA25Attendee>.

Notes from Headquarters

Publications

ICA is pleased to announce that its new open-access journal, *Global Perspectives in Communication* is open for submissions: <https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/gpcomm>

Information on the journal can be found, here: <https://academic.oup.com/gpc>

The Link

- DIV/IGs will be transitioning away from email to exclusively using *The Link* for member correspondence.
- Watch the [guided introduction](https://link.icaheadq.org/help/welcome-to-the-link) on this page: <https://link.icaheadq.org/help/welcome-to-the-link>

Approval of minutes from 2024 business meeting

https://www.icahdq.org/members/group_content_view.asp?group=186090&id=633532

YEAR IN REVIEW

Membership Stats

205 members (ICA official census in August 2024, representing 4.3% of the overall ICA membership)

Conference Stats

# of research session slots allocated	12
# of poster slots allocated	2
# of papers submitted	77
# of papers accepted	29
Paper acceptance rate	38%
# of panels submitted	8
# of panels accepted	4
Panel acceptance rate	50%
# of abstracts submitted	84
# of abstracts accepted	12
Abstract acceptance rate	14%
# of reviewers	91
Average # of submissions per reviewer	3.12

Highlights

Revived division's communication (big shoutout to Michael Davis!)

- Monthly newsletter
- CLP now on **Bluesky** (@ica-clp.bsky.social) AND **LinkedIn** (<https://www.linkedin.com/company/ica-communication-law-and-policy-division>)
- developing CLP Standard Operating Procedures

Updates from Student and Early Career Representative

Third year of SEC networking breakfast (big shoutout to Sheila B. Lalwani!)

Good turnout for the breakfast; we welcomed students and early career members.

We're looking forward to hosting a few career and professional development seminars. Stay tuned for more details.



Best Papers

Suppression of Dissent: The Impact of Location Disclosure Policy on Social Media Users' Opinion Expression
Yige Chen; King-wa Fu

Bringing Values Back in: An Analytical Model for Examining the Potential of National Media Laws and Regulations to Promote Democracy
Josef Seethaler; Maren Beaufort

Assembling Platform Governance as Private Ordering in the Age of Generative AI: Platform Interdependence in Policy Evolution
Chris Chao Su; Ngai Keung Chan

The Balancing Acts: Communicating Legitimacy in Transnational Speech Governance
Diyi Liu

Leadership transition

Luzhou Nina Li becomes outgoing chair

Starting June 16, 2025

New leadership team

Chair: Aram Sinnreich, American University

Vice Chair: Min Jiang, UNC Charlotte

Secretary: Michael Davis, U of Technology Sydney

Student & Early Career Rep: Sheila B. Lalwani, U of Texas at Austin

International Liaison: Blue Miaoran Dong, Carleton U

Elections

We had a successful Vice Chair election in 2024: we received six nominations from colleagues with diverse backgrounds and advanced three candidates to the ballot

In September 2025, three leadership positions at CLP will be available for nomination: Secretary, SEC Rep & International Liaison

Please consider self-nominating!

Happy to chat about the position

Questions?



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Thank you for your time

Please join us at our joint reception (@Earl's Kitchen & Bar, 1600
Glenarm Place, Denver)

See you next year in Cape Town, South Africa!