Applying the Capabilities Approach to Media and Communication
Hilton Prague, Lower Level, Madrid Room

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9.00-9.10 OPENING REMARKS – the organising committee

9.10-10.40

PANEL 1: FREEDOM AND JUSTICE

Chair: Robin Mansell, London School of Economics, UK

Max Hänska, De Montfort University, UK: Two Communicative Conceptions of Justice

Dorothea Kleine, University of Sheffield, UK: Boundary Objects in Engaged Research for Global Social Justice: Applying the Capabilities Approach through the Choice Framework and Related Tools

Andrew Kenyon, University of Melbourne, Australia: The Conditions of Freedom: Human Capabilities and Free Speech

Kari Karpinnen, University of Helsinki, Finland: Freedom Without Idealization: The Capabilities Approach and Freedom of Communication

10.40-11.00: COFFEE BREAK

11.00-12.30

PANEL 2: CULTURE AND COMMUNICATION

Chair: Heather Ford, University of New South Wales, Australia

Giles Moss, Stephen Coleman, Anna De Liddo, Alvaro Martinez-Perez, Louise Pears, University of Leeds/The Open University, UK: Citizen Capabilities and Real-Time Audience Responses to Political Messages

Mary Angela Bock, The University of Texas at Austin, USA: Voice and Visibility in the Digital Age: Visual Literacy as a Contemporary Human Capability

Simon Dawes, Université de Versailles (UVSQ), France: An Account of Oneself: Voice, Capabilities and Cultural Citizenship

David Hesmondhalgh, University of Leeds, UK: Justifying Government Support for Media, Culture and the Arts: Might Capabilities Theories Help?

12.30-1.10 LUNCH
1.10-2.00
KEYNOTE: NICK COULDRY, London School of Economics, UK

Chair: Amit Schejter, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel/Penn State University, USA

2.00-3.15
PANEL 3: TECHNOLOGIES AND RIGHTS

Chair: Jonathan Ong, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA

Becky Faith, Institute of Development Studies, UK: Using Affordances and Capabilities to Explore Inequalities in Technology Use

Tom Jacobson, Temple University, USA: Sen’s Capabilities Approach and the Measurement of Communication Outcomes

Amit Schejter, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel/Penn State University, USA: Human Rights as a Mechanism for the Realization of Capabilities: The Case of the Right to Communicate

3.15 – 3.30 COFFEE BREAK

3.30-4.45
PANEL 4: EXTENDING CAPABILITIES

Chair: David Hesmondhalgh, University of Leeds, UK

Noam Tirosh, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel: Memory as Capability

Torgeir Uberg Nærland, University of Bergen, Norway: Enabled by Humor? Minority Youth, Humor and Broadcasting Policy in Norway

Simona Bonini Baldini, Italy: Narrative Capability: Self-recognition and Mutual Recognition in Refugees' Storytelling

4.45-5.00 CLOSING REMARKS