*THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE OF ICT GOVERNANCE AND PRACTICE –
CONVERGENCE AND BIG DATA*

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS/PAPER PROPOSALS
CPRsouth 2015 (Taipei, Taiwan)

Deadline for submissions: 15 December 2014

Abstracts/paper proposals on ICT policy and regulation research carried out in the Asia Pacific and Africa, or relevant to the Asia-Pacific and Africa, may be submitted for review and acceptance.

Paper proposals should be submitted electronically at:
http://www.cprsouth.org
on or before 15 December 2014

Submit your abstract here

Communication Policy Research: south (CPR*south*) intends to build human capacity in the South by reinforcing and developing the knowledge, skills, and commitment of ICT policy and regulation scholars in the region or with substantial interest in the region. The overall objective is to create policy intellectuals capable of informed and effective intervention in ICT policy and regulatory processes in specific country contexts.

Content

The conference will accommodate approximately 30 paper presenters from Africa and the Asia-Pacific over the two-and-a-half-day conference in Taipei, Taiwan from 26 – 28 August 2015. The conference includes sessions on cutting-edge developments on policy and regulation in the South and discussion of the research-policy interface. Each of the paper sessions will be chaired by a senior scholar and include a discussant, who will provide substantive comments on the papers.

Submission Guidelines

Paper proposals should be submitted electronically at: http://www.cprsouth.org on or before 15 December 2014

Submissions consist of a 500-word paper proposal with references, and a one-page curriculum vitae should be submitted together with the proposal

The document should be in MS office word format and named according to the following format: CPRsouth2014_abstract&Bio_YourLastName.doc

The template for paper proposals can be downloaded from
www.cprsouth.org/review-criteria-and-template

Abstracts/ paper proposals should be classifiable with at least three keywords from the list below:

Access ǀ Applications ǀ Authorization and licensing ǀ Broadband ǀ Business models ǀ Citizen ǀ Civil society ǀ Cloud computing ǀ Competition ǀ Conflict ǀ Connectivity ǀ Consumer ǀ Content ǀ Convergence ǀ Cooperation ǀ Demand ǀ Disaster ǀ Disability ǀ Domestic ǀ Economy ǀ Ecosystem ǀ Education ǀ Efficiency ǀ Emerging markets ǀ Environment ǀ Governance ǀ Growth ǀ Inclusion ǀ Indicators ǀ Information ǀ Infrastructure ǀ Innovation ǀ International ǀ Institutions ǀ Judiciary Knowledge ǀ Legislation ǀ Markets ǀ Media ǀ Micro, small and medium enterprises ǀ Mobile money ǀ Monopoly ǀ Networks performance ǀ Policy ǀ Political economy ǀ Poverty ǀ Productivity ǀ Propertyǀ Public goods ǀ Oligopoly ǀ Reforms ǀ Regional ǀ Regulation ǀ Services ǀ Spectrum ǀ Strategy ǀ Telecom reforms ǀ Transparency ǀ Universal access ǀ Universal services.

Authors of shortlisted abstracts will be **notified on or before the 30th of January 2015** and will be invited to submit **full papers for final review by the 30th of March 2015.**

Final papers selected for presentation at CPR*south* will be uploaded onto the Social Science Research Network (SSRN) database. Please note that the submission of the final paper implies consent to upload them onto the SSRN database. The slides of the presentations and the policy brief will also be uploaded onto http://www.cprsouth.org

Funding

Selected paper presenters who are passport holders of, and travelling from, low, lower-middle and upper middle income countries within the Asia Pacific and Africa (as classified by the World Bank http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-classifications/country-and-lending-groups#Low_income) will be provided with:
- lowest-cost economy airfare to conference destination (less USD 200 registration fee);
- ground transfers between the conference venue and airport; and
- twin sharing accommodation on bed and breakfast basis, 3 lunches and 1 dinner for the duration of the conference (26 – 28 August 2015). Not all meals are covered.

The registration fee for the conference is USD 200, and airfares will be reimbursed less this registration fee. Participants will be required to cover:

- transport to and from airports in their home countries;
- visa fees (if any);
- meals not provided; and
- any other incidental costs

Kindly note that under exceptional circumstances conference organisers may consider a waiver of the conference registration fee. Such waivers will be considered on a case-by-case basis and only where an author would otherwise be prevented from presenting his or her paper at the conference.)

Visas

Letters of invitation will be provided for purposes of visa applications after participant selections have been made. Participants are responsible for securing heir own visas to enter Taiwan, and are strongly advised to initiate visa approval procedures immediately on receipt of confirmation of their participation.

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