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Ph.D. workshop jointly held by ECREA's Crisis Communication Section and Young Scholars Network (YECREA) at the 5th International Crisis Communication Conference

October 19, 2017, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Lisbon

We would like to invite all Young Scholars to apply for the YECREA Ph.D. workshop organised within the ECREA's Crisis Communication Section / 5th International Crisis Communication Conference that will take place in Lisbon, 19-21 October 2017.

The aim of the workshop is to provide a forum for doctoral students whose Ph.D. is related to the wide and interdisciplinary field of Crisis Communication. Participants present an outline of their Ph.D. project and receive feedback by **W. Timothy Coombs** (Texas A&M University) and **Andreas Schwarz** (Ilmenau University), two distinguished scholars with a broad expertise in Crisis Communication. After a presentation of up to 20 minutes, the senior scholars serving as respondents will provide an initial feedback, followed by a Q&A session involving the other workshop participants as well.

The presentations should address the following questions:

1. What is the problem that motivated you to conduct the research presented?
2. What is (are) your leading research question(s)?
3. How do you try to answer these questions methodologically?
4. What do you hope to contribute to your field of research?
5. Optional: What are your (preliminary) findings?
6. Which challenges are you facing at the moment?

While regular conference panels rarely offer the opportunity for speakers to receive in-depth feedback, this workshop is conceived as a separate and more personal space to present to and receive feedback from experienced scholars. It mainly aims at Ph.D. students whose research project is still at an early stage, but it is also possible to participate if you already have preliminary findings.

To apply for the workshop, please prepare the following two documents:

- an extended abstract of up to 500 words outlining your project (literature excluded)

- a short letter of motivation stating why you would like to participate and which questions you want to see addressed; it should also mention your doctoral advisor as well as a rough time schedule for your project.

The documents must be submitted to Florian Meissner (florian.meissner@tu-dortmund.de or florian.meissner@siic.science) **until July 1**. There is no need to be a member of the Crisis Communication Section to apply, but please note that the capacity of the workshop is limited. A jury will select the applications according to standards of academic quality like theoretical foundation, stringency, and originality. There is no participation fee, but participants will have to pay travel costs on their own.

If you are also interested to register for the subsequent conference dealing with *Risk and Crisis Communication in the Digital Age* in Lisbon (October 19-21), please check the conference website: <http://crisis5-ecrea.com>.