

## **Call for Abstracts: World Journalism Education Congress, July 5-7 2010, Grahamstown, South Africa**

The second World Journalism Education Congress will be held at Rhodes University in Grahamstown, South Africa on July 5-7, 2010. The Congress will be run in conjunction with the 14<sup>th</sup> Highway Africa conference and will coincide with the 2010 Soccer World Cup hosted in South Africa. It follows the successful first congress held in Singapore in June 2007. (For details see <http://wjec.ou.edu/congress.html> or <http://www.ru.ac.za/jms>.)

With the support of journalism education organizations worldwide\*, the Congress is designed to provide a discussion forum on common issues and interests and a foundation for supporting the continuing development of journalism and journalism education worldwide.

The WJEC is inviting academic paper abstracts related to any aspect of journalism and journalism education for presentation as refereed research papers at the conference. Papers focusing on opportunities and challenges facing the industry in an age of radical change are especially encouraged. Such topics could include, but are not restricted to: new media technology; democratization; journalism values and ethics; entrepreneurial approaches; and journalism curricula. Comparative studies related to the above topics are welcomed. Accepted papers will be presented as research presentations or as part of panel sessions related to the topics as mentioned above.

Interested presenters should electronically submit **abstracts only (minimum 500 words)** by **December 1, 2009**. All submissions will be blind-reviewed by a panel of international judges. Paper selections will be finalized by January 15, 2010 and presenters will be informed accordingly. Full papers and registration fees are due by April 30, 2010. (More details on the abstract submission process will be made available soon.)

**Email questions or inquiries to the paper competition chair, Elanie Steyn, at: [Elanie@ou.edu](mailto:Elanie@ou.edu).**

\*The World Journalism Education Council (WJEC) is a coalition of 28 academic associations worldwide that are involved in journalism and mass communication at the university level. They include: African Council on Communication Education (ACCE), Arab-U.S. Association for Communication Educators, Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC), Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), Association for Journalism Education (U.K.), Association of Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication (ASJMC), Brazilian Society of Interdisciplinary Studies on Communication (Intercom Brazil), Broadcast Education Association (BEA), China Association of Journalism and Communication, Chinese Communication Association (CCA), European Journalism Training Association (EJTA), Global Network for Professional Education in Journalism and Media (JourNet), Israel Communication Association, Journalism Education Association of Australia, Korean Society for Journalism and Communication Studies, Latin American Association of Communication Researchers (ALAIIC), Latin American Federation of Social Communication Schools (FELAFACS), Philippine Association of Communication Educators (PACE), Russian Association for Education in Journalism, Russian Association for Film & Media Education, Saudi Association for Media & Communication, South African Communication Association.