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History

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2009-2010	Thomas Petersen	Germany
2011-2012	Tom W. Smith	USA
2013-2014	Alejandro Moreno	Mexico

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A Look Back at WAPOR's 2014 Conference: Nice, France

WAPOR's 67th annual conference, "Extensible Public Opinion," was held 4-6 September 2014 at the Hotel Radisson Blu on the Mediterranean coast of Nice, France in coordination with ESOMAR, a partner organization. The ESOMAR annual conference took place in Nice just after the WAPOR meeting.

Adjusting the traditional schedule and beginning early on the first day, meant being able to accommodate an additional 28 papers the special AAPOR panel, "Measuring Opinion in a Changing World: Reports from the AAPOR Taskforce on Emerging Technologies," chaired by AAPOR president Michael Link (Nielsen).

In all, a total of 157 papers were accepted and presented. The conference program had 36 sessions, including a number of panels, with topics that included both substantive and methodological issues such as:

- Method: Pre-Interview, Interview, Post-Interview
- Media, Journalism; Opinion Formation; Political Process
- Conflict extending from demonstrations to armed conflict
- Use of opinion; Elections, candidates; Europe

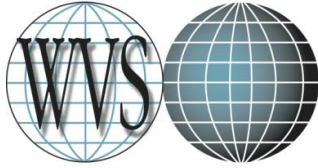
This year's conference ranks in the top three conferences, in terms of attendance, with participants from 40 countries.

Congratulations are in order for the winners of the prestigious prizes presented at the WAPOR Awards Banquet. The **Naomi C. Turner** prize is given for the best paper presented by a student at the annual conference. This year's paper was entitled, "Illusions of Knowledge: How the Media Makes us Capable of Participating in Politics," by Mathias Weber and Christina Koehler from the University of Mainz. Their paper argues that mass media may contribute to citizens' opinion-forming, as opinion-forming is above all a function of political efficacy – the citizens' notion of their own knowledge regarding political issues (subjective knowledge), and of how well they can judge policy options tied to these issues (subjective capacity for political judgment).

The **Elizabeth Nelson** prize is given for the best paper from a society in transition presented at the annual conference. The winner this year was for the paper, "Participation in General Elections and Socio-Political Integration in Four Post-Socialist Countries," presented by Robert Peter of the Institute for Political Science, Centre for Social Sciences, Hungarian Academy of Sciences. The paper investigates

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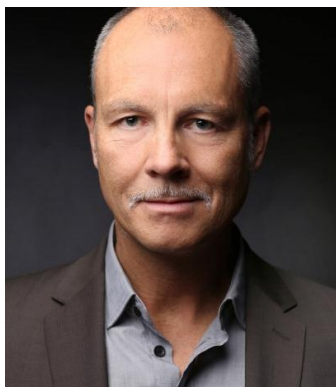
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Alejandro Moreno (PhD, University of Michigan, 1997) is Professor of Political Science at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), and Director of Public Opinion Research at Reforma newspaper, both in Mexico City. In 2012-2014 he served as President of the World Association for Public Opinion Research (WAPOR) and since 2013 he is the Vice-President of the World Values Survey Association (WVSA). He has been a principal investigator for the World Values Survey in Mexico in the 1996-97, 2000, 2005, and 2012 surveys. He has served as Managing Director for the Latinobarómetro since 2010, as co-investigator for the Mexico Panel Study in the 2000, 2006

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www.cambridge.org/welzel), the most recent books include: *The Civic Culture Transformed* (with Russell J. Dalton, at CUP 2014); *Democratization* (with Christian Haerpfer, Ronald Inglehart and Patrick Bernhagen, at OUP 2009) and *Modernization, Cultural Change and Democracy* (with Ronald Inglehart, 2005 at CUP).



World Research Codes and Guidelines

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- Additional information is needed so readers can evaluate the poll's reliability and validity. This information is more technical, and should be available on a website of the research organisation or the publication. It must be made available when requested. That information includes:
- Whether respondents were selected from a panel (or multiple panels), the names of the panels and whether they were created using probability or non-probability methods. If the panel is a probability sample, the cumulative response rate (reflecting recruitment, attrition, and the within-panel response rate for a study) should be made available. For non-probability samples, the participation rate (the number of panel members providing a usable response divided by the total number of initial personal invitations requesting members to participate) should be provided.
- The method of selection of panelists for the particular study. This usually involves some form of stratification or quotas, intended to represent the target population. The variables used to define the strata, quotas, or other selection methods (such as matching and propensity score groups) should be listed.
- In most cases, the final sample will be weighted. The most important information to disclose is which variables were used to form the weights. If cell weighting or raking ("rim weighting") is used, the unweighted sample distributions should be included in tabulations. For more complex methods (such as propensity score weighting or matching), a more detailed methodology report should be made available on request.

These disclosures are intended to provide information about the procedures used to conduct a specific survey with a given panel, but do not cover details of panel recruitment (aside from identification of the panel source or sources). For more details see ESOMAR's 28 questions to help buyers of online samples.

8.4.4 Mixed modes

The use of multiple modes within a single poll is becoming common, especially as ways of insuring coverage for groups that may be difficult to reach by the main polling method. For example, face-to-face interviewing may supplement phone interviewing in countries with relatively low phone penetration. Some research organisations offer respondents a choice as to how they wish to be interviewed.

- The value of using multiple modes is their representativeness; however, researchers must always be aware of the possibilities of mode effects as different modes may produce different answers.
- When publishing results from polls using mixed modes, researchers must provide the number of interviews in each mode and provide the information relevant to each mode of interviewing.

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