Media and Religion TWG Report for 2017

Publications:

Special issue guest edited by Johanna Sumiala on the topic of "Religion and Politics in Europe" published in journal of Religion in Europe (Brill)

http://booksandjournals.brillonline.com/content/journals/18748929

Conferences:

The Third International Conference Media & Religion held in Bucharest 10-2 November 2017. The theme of the conference was "Media, Religion and Popular Culture: From Extraordinary to extraordinary". The conference was organized by professor Mihai Coman.

Link to the conference call for papers: Call for papers // Media and Religion

Other conference presentations: NordMedia in Tampere August 2017, on Media and Religion group chaired by Knut Lundby with Line Pedersen (University of Copenhagen). Link to the conference website: http://www.uta.fi/cmt/en/Conferences/NordMedia2017/index.html

Research projects:

Scandinavian project on "Engaging with Conflicts in Mediatized Religious Environments" (CoMRel) directed by Knut Lundby (University of Oslo).

Link to the project website: www.hf.uio.no/imk/english/research/projects/comrel/

Project findings were presented at the ISSR conference on Sociology of Religion to be held in Lausanne, July 2017. http://wp.unil.ch/issr2017conference/

Research Project co-directed with Johanna Sumiala (University of Helsinki) together with Katja Valaskivi (University of Tampere) and Aki Huhtinen (National Defence University, Finland) 2017-2021 (funded by the Academy of Finland)

Link to the project website: <u>Hybrid Terrorizing: Developing a New Model for the Study of Global</u>
<u>Media Events of Terrorist Violence (HYTE)</u>

Networks:

Media and Religion TWG collaborates with The Nordic Network on Media and Religion Facebook group. This Facebook group attracts scholars from different parts of Europe. https://www.facebook.com/groups/308536162506388/