

Pre-conference to ECREA's seventh European Communication Conference, ECC 2018, Lugano, Switzerland

## **“Children and Adolescents in a Mobile Media World” General Information and Call for Papers**

Event organized by the Institute of Communication and Health, Università della Svizzera italiana (USI) and the ECREA TWG: Children, Youth and Media

### **Chair:**

Anne-Linda Camerini, PhD, ICH, USI

### **Scientific committee:**

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### **Keynote:**

Patti Valkenburg, PhD, University distinguished professor, University of Amsterdam

### **Short Abstract:**

Children and adolescents increasingly turn to mobile media devices, the smartphone in particular, to stay connected with family and friends and access a variety of digital media contents and services including social media, music, videos, and games. The everytime-and-everywhere-access to mobile media has changed children's and adolescents' everyday life with potential implications on their health and development. The preconference wants to address these issues both from a theoretical and methodological perspective.

### **Pre-conference topics:**

- Role of mobile media in children's and adolescents' everyday life
- Methodological challenges of research on mobile media use
- Parental mediation and monitoring of mobile media use
- Impact of mobile media on children's and adolescents' psycho-physical health and development
- Mobile media and children's and adolescents' privacy
- Mobile media contents and activities: new phenomena or old habits
- Use of mobile media in school

**Submissions:**

We invite you to submit abstracts of 500 words (excluding tables, figures, and references). These should outline the research topic as well as the theoretical and methodological approach. All abstracts will be subject to double-blind peer review. Please submit the abstract including names, affiliations, and contact details (email) in an edible format by **30 April 2018** to **anne.linda.camerini@usi.ch**.

**Deadlines:**

Deadline for submission of abstracts: 30 April 2018

Notification of acceptance: 15 June 2018

Registration: 15 September 2018 (30 July 2018 for early bird fee)

**Fees:****Until 30 July 2018 (early bird)**

ECREA members: 60 CHF

Students: 65 CHF

Other: 70 CHF

**Until 15 September 2018**

ECREA members: 70 CHF

Students: 75 CHF

Other: 80 CHF

Registration fee includes: admission to all sessions, coffee breaks, lunch.

**Date:**

31 October 2018

**Venue:**

Università della Svizzera italiana

Campus Lugano

Via Buffi 13

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