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The 2024 Alexis de Tocqueville Prize for the Best Paper on Democracy and Public Opinion

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This award is given annually for the best conference paper concerned with democracy and public opinion, whether in a consolidated or in an emerging democracy. De Tocqueville is best known for his still highly cited book On Democracy in America. A panel of public opinion scholars drawn from WAPOR's membership will judge submissions. The de Tocqueville Award, founded jointly by three WAPOR Presidents (Marita Carballo, Claire Durand and Timothy Johnson). Award comes with a cash prize of $500.

Committee members in 2024:

- Timothy Johnson, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA (Chair)
- Marita Carballo, Voices Research and Consultancy, Argentina
- Claire Durand, University of Montreal, Canada
- Alejandro Moreno, ITAM, Mexico
- Kathleen Frankovic, Independent Consultant, USA
- Robert Chung, Public Opinion Research Institute, Hong Kong
- David Jodice, D3 – Design, Data, Decisions Inc., USA

Ten papers in competition in 2024.

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for the Best Paper on Democracy and Public Opinion

Recipients: Alexis Jan Patacsil (Bangko Sentral Pilipinas, Philippines), Reginald Ugaddan (University of the Philippines, Philippines)

Title: Power in Numbers: Defining Democracy in the Philippines through Social Capital, Citizen Empowerment and Political Support, and Trust in Political Institutions

This paper merits recognition for its insightful analysis of the interplay between social capital and democratic perception in the Philippines during Duterte's administration. By leveraging Putnam's Social Capital Theory, the authors delve into how citizen empowerment and trust in political institutions mediate this relationship, with governance quality acting as a crucial moderating factor. Utilizing robust statistical methods on data from the Asia Barometer Survey, the study reveals that social capital's impact on democratic understanding is not direct but fully mediated by political support and trust. This research stands out for its rigorous methodology, theoretical innovation, and significant contributions to understanding democracy in Southeast Asia's unique sociopolitical landscape.

The 2024 Naomi C. Turner Prize for the Best Paper Written by a Student

Naomi C. Turner Prize
for the Best Paper Presented by a Student

This award is for the best paper presented by a graduate student at the annual conference. This prize was endowed by WAPOR past president Fred Turner in memory of his mother. Fred was president of WAPOR from 1989-1990. Award comes with a cash prize of 500$.

Committee members in 2024:

- Mark Gill, King's College London, UK (Chair)
- Christopher Adams, University of Manitoba, Canada
- Cornelia Mothes, Macromedia University of Applied Sciences, Germany
- Thomas Roessing, TRG, Germany
- Matthew Barnidge, University of Alabama, USA

Two papers in competition in 2024.

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The 2024 Naomi C. Turner Prize for the Best Paper Presented by a Student

Recipient: Yin Wu (University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA)

Title: The Words We Choose to Believe: Comparing the Influence of Press, Valence, Nationalism, and Emotion on Trust in Foreign Media Coverage of the U.S. on Facebook

The paper tackles an important topic and, with refinement, could contribute valuable insights to the field. It deals with a range of significant concepts and has the potential to advance our understanding of trust, ideology, and cultural alignment.

The committee recommends some issues to be considered by the author to enhance the paper's clarity and effectiveness. The title could be changed so as not suggest that Facebook is a factor. The sampling methodology could be better explained (with more information on the sampling limitations) and the inclusion of basic descriptive statistics would provide greater clarity.

Simplifying the paper by focusing on core concepts, streamlining analyses, and clarifying theoretical contributions, along with a more detailed explanation of the hypotheses' theoretical motivations, would significantly improve the study.

Nevertheless, the ambition of the study is commendable, and the breadth of its conceptual framework demonstrates a thorough engagement with complex social phenomena.

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This award is for the (last) year's outstanding paper contributed to the *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*. An award committee appointed by the WAPOR council, with input from the IJPOR editorial board, selects the winning article. Award comes with a cash prize of 750$.

Committee members in 2024:

- Tom W. Smith, NORC at the University of Chicago, USA (Chair)
- Paulina Tabery, Institute of Sociology, Czech Academy of Sciences, Czechia
- Jibum Kim, Sungkyunkwan University, South Korea
- Anna Andreenkova, CESSI, Russia
- Marita Carballo, Argentina
- Robert Worcester, Ipsos MORI, UK (ex officio)

37 papers and research notes in competition.

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Robert M. Worcester Prize
for the Best Paper Published in IJPOR

Recipients: Seungsu Lee (University of California, USA), Jaeho Cho (University of California, USA)

Title: Communication Mediation in an Era of Partisan Selectivity: Modelling Effects of Information and Discussion on Participation

Lee and Cho use the communication mediation model (CMM) to examine patterns of partisan communication in contemporary polarized politics and fragmented partisan media environments. They test the CMM considering (a) two types of news consumption (like-minded and cross-cutting) in the place of overall news use and (b) both affective and cognitive responses. They find a partisan CMM that consists of a two-step mediation linking partisan news consumption to participation through talk and affective polarization. They utilized national survey data covering three U.S. presidential election cycles (the 2012, 2016, and 2020 American National Election Studies).

Their study developed a theoretical framework for exploring polarization, political discussions and participation. It is analytically rigorous, uses high-quality survey data, and creates a framework for examining this important issue in the future.

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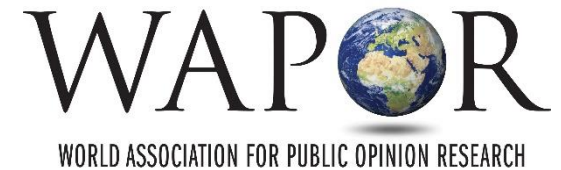
Janet A. Harkness WAPOR- AAPOR Student paper Award for a paper in 3MC research

This award is given in memory of Dr. Janet A. Harkness, internationally recognized for her contributions to cross-cultural survey methodology, who passed away in 2012. The award is open both to current students (graduate or undergraduate) and to recent graduates. Award comes with a cash prize of 750$.

Committee members (WAPOR and AAPOR)

- Chanhoong Leong, National University of Singapore, Singapore (Chair)
- Mariano Torcal, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain
- Angela Ambitho, Infotrak Research, Kenya
- Sunghee Lee, University of Michigan, USA
- Heather Smalley, Willamette University, USA
- Evgenia Kapousouz, University of Illinois Chicago, USA

Two papers in competition.

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The 2024 AAPOR-WAPOR 2024 Janet A. Harkness Student Paper Award

Recipients: Mao Li (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA); Stephanie Morales (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA); Kaidar Nurumov (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA)

Title: Probing on Self-Rated Health and Autocoding Its Responses through Large Language Models (LLM): Strengths and Weaknesses under Multilingual Survey Contexts

The study evaluates the innovative use of Large Language Models (LLMs) to automate the coding of open-ended survey responses, which is traditionally labor-intensive and costly. LLMs' performance in coding responses from English, Spanish, German, and Korean speakers across five countries are examined, using data from 3 separate studies, with a combined sample size of over 5,500 participants. Results show that LLMs outperform traditional machine learning algorithms. Performance is consistent across English, German, and Spanish, but slightly lower for Korean, highlighting an opportunity to improve LLMs for underrepresented languages. The committee is impressed by the students' work, and the study underscores the potential of LLMs to streamline survey research and calls for further exploration in diverse linguistic contexts.

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The 2024 Best Conference Poster Award

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The 2024 Best Conference Poster Award recognizes the most outstanding poster presentation at the conference, highlighting exceptional clarity, originality, and impact in the research showcased. This award honours the poster that effectively communicates its findings and contributes significantly to the advancement of knowledge in the field, demonstrating both scholarly rigor and creative presentation. This is an ad-hoc award given in 2024. Two awards are to be given; each comes with a cash prize of $500.

Committee members in 2024:

- Wolfgang Aschauer, Paris Lodron University of Salzburg, Austria (Chair)
- Timothy Johnson, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA
- Chase Harrison, Harvard University, USA
- Olga Kamenchuk, Northwestern University, USA

21 posters in competition.

The 2024 Best Conference Poster Award

Recipient: Yul Min Park (University of Pittsburgh, USA)

Title: Issue Ownership, Electoral Accountability, and Politicians' Social Media Posts: Evidence from the George Floyd Protests in the United States

This poster features an insightful exploration of the interplay between technology and political communication, revealing critical drivers behind politicians' social media behaviour. Through a rigorous case study of the 2020 George Floyd protests, the research elucidates how race, party affiliation, and constituency demographics influence the frequency and framing of political issues on Twitter. The study's innovative use of computational methods and multi-level analysis provides robust evidence of the partisan disparities in addressing systemic racism and protest violence. These findings significantly advance our understanding of political communication dynamics in modern democracies, highlighting the nuanced role of social media in shaping public discourse.

The 2024 Best Conference Student Poster Award

Recipient: Sujin Song (Chung-ang University, Republic of Korea)

Title: Does Political Participation Buffer Depression of the Discriminated? Application of Anomic Depression Theory

This poster features a profound investigation into the impact of discrimination on mental health, utilizing Anomic Depression Theory to elucidate this relationship. By analysing data from the 2022 Korea Social Integration Survey, the study highlights how discrimination experiences significantly correlate with higher depression rates, particularly among women, high school graduates, and religious individuals with lower income and health status. The innovative application of hierarchical multiple regression reveals that political participation can effectively buffer the adverse effects of discrimination, offering a crucial intervention for mitigating anomic depression. These findings provide vital insights for practitioners and policymakers, emphasizing the importance of fostering political engagement to enhance mental health in marginalized populations.

The 2024 Elizabeth H. Nelson Prize for the Best Paper from a Society in Transition
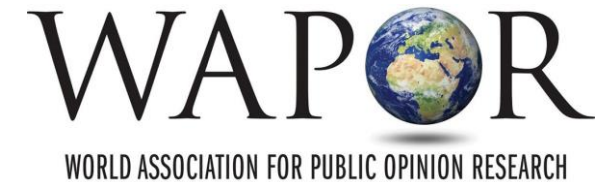
The 2024 Elizabeth H. Nelson Prize for the Best Paper from a Society in Transition

This award is presented to the best paper written and presented at the annual conference by one or more persons from a society in transition. This prize was endowed by WAPOR past president Elizabeth Nelson who was president of WAPOR from 1991-1992. Award comes with a cash prize of 750$.

Committee members in 2024:

- Constanza Cilley, Voices Research & Consultancy, Argentina (Chair)

- Michael Nitsche, Gallup International, Austria

- Rico Neumann, Technical University of Berlin, Germany

- Eva Aizpurua, NatCen Social Research, UK

- Saidul Haq, SRG Bangladesh

One paper nominated in 2024. No prize awarded in 2024.

Considering not very high rating by the quality, the decision was not to give the award this year and make some changes into the announcement and the distribution of information about the award for the next year. WAPOR thanks the Committee for their work on the paper evaluation.

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The 2024 Helen H. Dinerman Award for Career Contributions to Innovative Research and Methodology

Helen H. Dinerman Award for Career Contributions to Innovative Research and Methodology

Given since 1981, this award honors particularly significant contributions to survey research methodology. The award, presented annually to an individual or individuals, is in memory of Helen Dinerman's scientific achievements over three decades of public opinion research. Award: $1000

Committee members in 2024:

- Timothy Johnson, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA (Chair)
- Edith de Leeuw, Utrecht University, The Netherlands
- Patricia Moy, University of Washington, USA
- Christian Haerpfer, University of Vienna, Austria
- Michael Traugott, University of Michigan, USA

Two nominations received in 2024.

Helen H. Dinerman Award for Career Contributions to Innovative Research and Methodology

Recipient: Ineke Stoop (Netherlands)

WAPOR is pleased to present the 2024 Helen Dinerman Award to Dr. Ineke Stoop for her lifetime of contributions to the furtherance of survey and public opinion research. A renowned survey statistician, Stoop has significantly advanced the understanding of non-response in surveys and has been instrumental in developing and consolidating survey research infrastructures.

Throughout her illustrious career, Stoop served as the head of the Methodology department at the Netherlands Institute for Social Research (SCP) and co-founded the European Social Survey (ESS), where she played a pivotal role as Deputy Director of Methodology. She also chaired the European Statistical Advisory Committee and contributed to numerous national and international data infrastructure initiatives.

Stoop's academic journey includes studying Methods and Statistics at Leiden University and earning her Ph.D. from Utrecht University in 2005. Her doctoral thesis, focusing on survey nonresponse, was published as a highly cited book, "The Hunt for the Last Respondent: Nonresponse in Sample Surveys." She has authored and co-authored numerous influential publications, including "Improving Survey Response: Lessons from the European Social Survey."

Her contributions have earned her membership in the International Statistical Institute and the 2019 ESRA Award for Outstanding Service to European Survey Research. Even after her retirement in 2019, Stoop continues to impact the field through teaching, advisory roles, and active involvement in research integrity initiatives.

Ineke Stoop's dedication, expertise, and innovative contributions make her a deserving recipient of the WAPOR Helen Dinerman Award, celebrating her lasting impact on survey research and methodology.

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WAPOR Asia Pacific Chapter 2024 Lifetime Achievement Award

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The WAPOR Asia Pacific Chapter Lifetime Achievement Award acknowledges an individual for their extraordinary and sustained contributions to the field of public opinion research within the Asia Pacific region. This prestigious award celebrates a career characterized by innovative research, impactful insights, and a profound dedication to advancing the understanding and practice of public opinion measurement. It recognizes a lifetime of excellence and leadership in shaping the field and influencing the industry's development.

Committee members in 2024:

- Linda Luz B. Guerrero, Social Weather Station, Philippines (Chair)
- Matthew Gray, Australian National University
- Jibum Kim, Sungkyunkwan University, Republic of Korea
- Yashwant Deshmukh, C-Voter, India
- Syed A. Idid, International Islamic University, Malaysia

WAPOR Asia Pacific Chapter
2024 Lifetime Achievement Award

Recipient: Hyunho Seok (Republic of Korea)

Emeritus Professor Hyunho Seok at Sungkyunkwan University has been a true pioneer in the realm of social science research methodology. His extensive work and dedication have not only profoundly impacted the understanding and development of social indicators and survey statistics in Korea but have also inspired a generation of researchers to push the boundaries of their field.

Professor Seok was instrumental in designing and launching the "Korean General Social Survey" in 2003. This survey has become the foundation for understanding the stability and change of Korean society in the 21st century and a cornerstone for social science research in Korea.

In 2006, he founded the Korea Social Science Data Archive (KOSSDA), a non-profit institution specializing in social science data archiving. This open access has fostered data preservation, dissemination, and the establishment of a robust data-sharing network, allowing everyone to participate in the research community in Korea.

Professor Seok's contributions do not end here. He has led pivotal research on Korean social trends, including the landmark "Korean Social Trends" report, published jointly by KOSSDA and Statistics Korea. This report has played a crucial role in identifying policy needs, cementing Professor Seok's legacy in advancing the significance of social surveys.

Professor Seok, your tireless dedication, innovative spirit, and profound impact on social science research have left an indelible mark on the field. We are incredibly grateful for your contributions and proud to honor you with this Lifetime Achievement Award.

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