2nd Open Workshop: A-C-M: Barcelona

Under the aegis of the 4th Meeting of the Ageing-Communications-Media International Network (A-C-M), the 2nd Open Workshop of the A-C-M will be held at IN3-Open University of Catalonia on Wednesday, 17th of October. This will be the fourth symposium sponsored by this network, and the second open workshop to be held in Barcelona, one of the key nodes in the research network. Barcelona hosted the first session in July 2011. Subsequent meetings were held in Montreal (October 2011) and Toronto (May 2012).

The main goals of the workshop are to: exchange the research being conducted by several specialists in the field of mobile communication and ageing; introduce the interdisciplinary project of the A-C-M network; enlarge the network to stimulate future joint projects between participants.

Dr. Rich Ling (IT University of Copenhagen) will be our keynote speaker. His talk, **"The elderly and the mobile phone"** will examine the ownership and use-practices of the mobile phone by older adults drawing on data gathered in Norway.

Other presentations include:

- "Elders and the use of mobile phones in Romania: First results of semistructured interviews" Loredana Ivan (National School of Political Science and Public Administration (SNSPA), Romania)
- "Digital games for positive ageing and a cultural profile of older people's experiences with ICT" Josep Blat (Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona) Sergio Sayago (Carlos III University, Madrid)
- **"Can tablets support the creative collaboration among elderly?"** Margarida Romero (Open University of Catalonia) Elena Barberà (Open University of Catalonia)
- "Mediation and mediatization: What media theory has to learn from participatory media research with older adults" Kim Sawchuk (Concordia University, Montreal)
- "What are mobile phones for? Comparing seniors in four cities" Mireia Fernández-Ardèvol (Open University of Catalonia)
- "Active dreaming as active ageing in Étoîle des aînés" Line Grenier (Université de Montréal) Kim Sawchuk (Concordia University, Montreal)
- "'I'm G-Mom on the phone': Remote grandmothering, cell phones and intergenerational dis/connections"
 Barbara Crow (York University, Toronto)
 Kim Sawchuk (Concordia University, Montreal)

Anyone interested in these issues, including the academic community, the mobile communication industry or community organizations, are invited. If you are interested in attending, click <u>here</u> for more information.

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