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GRANTS AND
FELLOWSHIPS
2015

*University of Helsinki, Aleksanteri Institute
Markku Kangaspuro, Director of Research, Ph.D*
MEDIA LAB – FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND
CRITICAL JOURNALISM IN RUSSIA

Media Lab project aims to study and strengthen the development of freedom of expression in Russia and to deepen the Russian expertise of Finnish journalists through multidisciplinary research and a strong outreach to society. The research analyzes state control mechanisms, their implementation, and the remaining free spaces of independent media.

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*University of Jyväskylä, Department of
Communication, and Tampere University,
Research Centre for Journalism,
Media and Communication (COMET)
Turo Uskali, Ph.D.*

DATA JOURNALISM IN MOBILE MEDIA
LANDSCAPE – RESEARCH AND
DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (MODAJO)

The main purpose of this research and development project is to raise Finnish data journalism to international level. First section focuses on the new challenges of mobile data journalism. The second section concentrates on educational challenges of data journalism. The research and development project is a joint-venture between Department of Communication, University of Jyväskylä and Tampere University's Research Centre for Journalism, Media and Communication (COMET).

€150,000
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*University of Tampere, Research Centre for
Journalism, Media and Communication (COMET)
Senior research fellow, Docent Katja Valaskivi*
JE SUIS CHARLIE. SYMBOLIC WARFARE
AND STRUGGLE OVER ATTENTION

Terrorist attacks on the Charlie Hebdo journal in January 2015 activated symbolic warfare over attention related to political and religious values and feelings. The project studies the media event as a part of the changing operational environment of journalism and asks how the new practices between social media and mainstream media form or polarize different imagined communities. Method combines virtual ethnography with network analysis.

€140,000
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*University of Turku
Mari K. Niemi Ph.D.*

“ABROAD THIS WOULD CREATE A STORM”
A STUDY ON POPULIST PARTIES’ RACISM-RELATED
SCANDALS AND JOURNALISTIC CHOICES

This research analyses racism accusations related to the Finns Party in 2010–2016. Similar cases and news reporting on those related to the UK Independence Party and Sweden Democrats are used as comparative material. The aim of this study is to establish the best practices for journalistic media regarding its challenges of reporting on racism, multiculturalism and ethnic minorities.

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*Hanken School of Economics
Professor Tore Strandvik*

NEWS MEDIA IN THE NORDIC CONSUMER'S
EVERYDAY LIFE – EXPLORING EXPERIENCES
AND PRACTICES

The project aims to understand how Nordic consumers integrate news media into their everyday lives. The research will map out experiences, routines and meanings tied to consumers' news media use.

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TIME OF IDEALS

Two projects related to the 125th jubilee of Helsingin Sanomat. A play "Time of Ideals" describing the early stages of founding the Päivälehti newspaper and a video production "HS Idea" presenting new ideas that support the legacy of the Päivälehti-Helsingin Sanomat as an initiator of discussion.

€100,000

THE HELSINGIN SANOMAT FOUNDATION
VISUAL JOURNALISM PRIZE

The prize is for three years and the main prize is 10,000 euros. The jury puts together a shortlist of ten works. Chairman of the jury decides the winner from the shortlist. The shortlisted works are presented at a day seminar. The main prize is given at an award gala in the evening of the seminar day.

€98,800

University of Helsinki
Professor Henrik Meinander

WILSON CENTER SEARCH POOL 2016–2018
(CONDITIONAL DECISION)

The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (WWIC) is located in Washington, D.C. The Finnish Program is to support innovative research in various areas of the sciences, humanities, and technology as well as to foster scholarly and expert discussions of bilateral and global issues of particular relevance to Finland and the Nordic countries.

€70,000

Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences
Anne Leppäjärvi, Director of Education Programmes

FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND PRESS 2016 –
DIGITAL PORTAL

The project will focus on freedom of speech and freedom of press by building journalistic, non-profit, digital portal. The portal will be planned and edited by group of journalism students.

€57,800

Unesco, Division of Freedom of Expression and Media Development, Section for Freedom of Expression

RESEARCH FELLOW FOR JOURNALISTS'
SAFETY INDICATORS (JSI)

Research Fellow for Journalists Safety Indicators (JSI) for one year in Unesco Head Quarters in Paris. The fellow coordinates the implementation of the JSI assessments in selected countries, through liaising with the field offices, ensures the quality of the JSI national assessment reports and provides analytic feedback on the JSI research process and content.

€55,000

Sari Kivistö, Ph.D.

SATIRICAL MOCKERY AND CENSORSHIP

Project focuses on satirical mockery (and its censorship) as a means of nation-building and religious political criticism in early twentieth-century satirical magazines and eighteenth-century anticlerical underground literature and scribal cultures.

€50,000

University of Jyväskylä,
Department of Communication
Turo Uskali, Ph.D.

JOURNALISM RESEARCH NEW (JRN2): NORTH-
AMERICA, AUSTRALIA AND NEW-ZEELAND

This project will enlarge Journalism Research News (JRN) service from Europe to North-America, Australia and New Zealand. The main aim is to develop JRN to be the leading news source on journalism research news globally by the year 2017. This is done by adding more relevant news streams to the service as well as creating totally new sections.

€45,000

Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences
Anne Leppäjärvi, Director of Education Programs

JOURNALISTIC EXHIBITION ON THE WORD
 PRESS FREEDOM DAY IN HELSINKI

The international main event of World Press Freedom Day will be held in Finland in May 2016. The purpose of this project is to produce, together with seven Finnish journalism universities, journalistic content to the event as well as to plan the actions of an international co-editorial of young journalists working at the event. The content that discusses the freedom of press and speech in a versatile way and utilizes new journalistic methods will also be introduced to the general public.

€30,000

Heidi Kurvinen, Ph.D.
University of Oulu

SOCIAL INEQUALITIES IN NEWSROOMS.
 EXPERIENCES OF FINNISH AND SWEDISH
 WOMEN JOURNALISTS FROM THE 1960S
 TO THE PRESENT

This longitudinal study analyses the status of equality in newsrooms in Finland and Sweden. The focus is on gender equality and equity but ethnicity and economical inequalities will be taken into account when analysing present day. The project also develops new ways of approaching equality in newsrooms.

€24,000

Taneli Heikka, MA
University of Jyväskylä,
Department of Communication

NETWORKED COMMUNICATION POWER
 AND DEMOCRATIC CHANGE

The dissertation explores the ideals of democracy on purpose-built digital communication platforms. Objectives and ideals of political agency on these platforms are researched through case studies. The concept of the fifth estate is used to explore the nature, and provide new knowledge, of new digital activism in relation to the traditional democratic estates – the news media and the legislature in particular.

€21,000

NORDIC DATA JOURNALISM
 CONFERENCE NODAI6

The third Nordic data journalism conference will take place in Helsinki on April 22 – 23, 2016. The aim is to create the most inspiring educational event of international quality for journalists and other communication experts and an important space for the exchange of ideas and new practices.

€15,000

Jukka Kinnunen
University of Helsinki,
Department of Modern Languages

IMPACT FACTORS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS
 IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES

The project we will examine the ranking lists of peer-reviewed journals in communication studies based on their impact factors. It also compares the journals' impact factor listings to the Google Scholar hindex listings of communication journals and to the Finnish Publication Forum by The Federation of Finnish Learned Societies. The project also examines the quality of crowdsourced online conversations and the factors influencing the quality by analyzing empirical data.

€11,900

University of Tampere,
The School of Communication,
Media and Theatre (CMT)
Heikki Hellman Ph.D.

HUMANITARIAN JOURNALISM
 FIELD TRIP TO AFRICA

A field trip to Africa for journalism students. The course is one part of the teaching package of Mr. Rauli Virtanen, the Visiting Professor of Journalism. The field work aims at deeper understanding of the roots and consequences of global problems such as poverty, conflicts, migration and climate change.

€10,000

INTERNATIONAL PRESS INSTITUTE (IPI)

Panel Discussion with Media Representatives
UNESCO's World Press Freedom Day IPI organises a panel discussion with media representatives to discuss best practices to protect journalists covering dangerous assignments.

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Fellowship programs

Panu Karhunen, Heini Maksimainen, Ilona Turtola

REUTERS INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF
JOURNALISM, OXFORD UNIVERSITY

Heidi Piironen

INTERNATIONAL VISITING SCHOLARS
PROGRAM, UC BERKELEY

Tuija Pallaste

USC ANNENBERG SCHOOL FOR
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Jukka Huusko

EUROPÄISCHE JOURNALISTEN FELLOWSHIPS,
FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN

Heidi Väärämäki

FUDAN UNIVERSITY, SHANGHAI

Jussi Niemeläinen

WORLD PRESS INSTITUTE, WPI FELLOWSHIP
PROGRAM FOR INTERNATIONAL JOURNALISTS

Nina Broström

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE
SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

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SUMMER INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING COURSE,
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF
JOURNALISM

Fellowships total	€ 459,008
Grants total	€1,238,500
Total of grants and donations	€1,697,508