Editorial Comment

This fourth issue of (OBS*), Volume 2, brings together seventeen papers, from twenty-five researchers written in five different languages, coming from Europe and South America.

Globalization of media is one of the driving forces of the building of a new communication model, Networked Communication, and it can be said that this very same issue is an example of such globalization. Media are here analysed in national but also trans-national contexts and reading those different papers, here published, one cannot wonder if it will be ever possible again to analyse journalism, media and communications in general without taking also into consideration global influences, trends and appropriations of technology.

This will be the last issue of (OBS*) to follow the current model of several issues per year. From December 2008 onwards, (OBS*) will have a single annual issue where papers submitted and reviewed will be added as they become ready for publishing.

This change is the outcome of the increase in papers submitted and the need to decrease publishing time. We would like, once again, to thank authors, reviewers and readers that have contributed to make this Open Access venture what it has become.

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