



## PERUGIA RADIO AND TV JOURNALISM SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

### ABOUT US

The **Associazione dei Giornalisti della Scuola di Perugia - AGSP** (“Perugia School of Radio and Tv Journalism’s Alumni Association”) is formed by journalists that graduated from the **Scuola di Giornalismo Radio-Televisivo di Perugia** (Perugia School of Radio and Tv Journalism), which was founded in 1992 by RAI- Radiotelevisione Italiana (the Italian state network), the University of Perugia and other local institutions.

The **AGSP** was formed in 2004 to **promote professional education in journalism**, especially among the younger generations, with the goal of strengthening and enhancing **quality, independence and freedom of information**.

### WHAT WE DO

The AGSP organizes **seminars, conferences, debates** and other activities to promote professional education.

In the last five years it has organized many sessions and public debates concerning the problems of professional practice and freedom of information in Italy and abroad.

Since 2007 the AGSP takes part in the organization of the **Internation Journalism Festival of Perugia**.

### THE “IN-FORMAZIONE” JOURNALISM AWARD

In order to provide financial aid to students attending Italian Schools of Journalism the AGSP has established the **“In-formazione” Journalism Award**; the winner receives a scholarship that covers part of the tuition fees of a journalism school that he/she wants to attend.

The Award is supported by the Regione Lazio and the “Ordine dei Giornalisti” (the Italian Association of Professional Journalists).

In 2008 the winner of the award was Serena Riselli, student at the Master in Journalism of the Università Tor Vergata of Rome, for her thesis “Economy and the News: from boom to decline”.

Winners are selected by a group of highly qualified journalists among whom are Ritanna Armeni (La7 Television), Sebastiano Messina (la Repubblica), Roberto Natale (president of FNSI- Federazione Nazionale della Stampa Italiana, the Italian National Union of Journalists), Luca Telese (il Giornale), Nicola Zamperini (spokesperson of Regione Lazio).

The Honorary Council of the Award includes Piero Marrazzo (former president of Regione Lazio), Lorenzo del Boca (president of the National Association of Journalists), Pier Vincenzo Porcacchia (head of the press-office of the Camera dei Deputati, the Italian House of Representatives).



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### INTERNATIONAL JOURNALISM FESTIVAL OF PERUGIA

The AGSP was active in all the four editions of the International Journalism Festival of Perugia that have been held so far.

It contributed to the program of the Festival by organizing many successful **public debate events**, with many **qualified panelists** (experienced journalists, lawyers, businessmen, union leaders, representatives of Italian and European political institutions), which were attended overall by **several thousands people**. The following list illustrates the scope and variety of the themes and problems that were addressed.

#### 2010 Edition

AGSP has contributed to the last edition of the International Journalism Festival of Perugia by organizing five events about the following topics: “War journalism”, “To see or not to see? Pushing the limit further”, “Journalists in the Russian trenches”, “Radio, the mother of all news”, “Describing Islam in Italy”.

#### 2009 Edition

##### **“Globalization and organized crime”**

Panel: **Piero Grasso**, Procuratore nazionale antimafia (National Prosecutor against Organized Crime); **Petra Reski**, correspondent from Italy for “Die Zeit”; **Francesco La Licata**, “la Stampa”; **Paolo Butturini**, segretario dell’Associazione Stampa Romana (secretary of the Journalist Union of the Lazio region); **Vittorio Di Trapani**, “RAINews24” e segretario dell’AGSP (secretary of the AGSP)

##### **“Crime news, first news. From the Cogne case to the Perugia murder”**

Panel: **Sabina Castelfranco**, correspondent from Italy for “CBS News”; **Caterina Malavenda**, attorney specializing in freedom of information cases; **Massimo Martinelli**, “Il Messaggero”; **Fiorenza Sarzanini**, “Il Corriere della Sera”; **Paolo Poggio**, “Giornale radio RAI” (RAI Radio News)

##### **“Being a journalist: a different way is possible”**

Panel: **Daniela Berretta**, freelance reporter; **Gabriele Immirzi**, head of Operations “Wilder”; **Tommaso Tassarolo**, direttore di “Current TV Italia” (chief editor of Current TV Italy), **Stefano Valentino**, “freereporter.info” - “International Press Center”; **Roberto Chinzari**, “TG2- RAI”.



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### “Journalism in Europe”

Panel: *Hans-Gert Poettering*, president of the European Parliament; *Tiziana Di Simone*, European Union correspondent for “RAI”; *Emanuele Novazio*, “La Stampa”; *Anna Piras*, “RAI Parliament News” and president AGSP

### “Journalism and its Companies: pet or watchdog ?”

Panel: *Gianluca Comin*, president Ferpi; Marie-Jeanne Husset, chief editor “60 millions de consommateurs”; *Antonio Macaluso*, “Corriere Economia- Corriere della sera”; *Andrea Vianello*, anchor of “Mi manda Raitre”; *Alessio Rocchi*, “TG1 RAI”

### 2008 Edition

#### “All news information”

Panelists: *Jean Lesieur*, deputy editor-in-chief of news magazines and talkshows, “France 24”; *Nicola Lombardo*, news-editor, SKY TG 24”; *Corradino Mineo*, editor in chief, “RAInews24”; *Barbara Serra*, anchor, “Al Jazeera International”; *José Maria Pedrer*, deputy editor in chief, “Canal 24 Horas”; *Roberto Chinzari*, “TG2 – RAI”

### 2007 Edition

#### “Political news on television”

Panel: *Giovanni Floris*, anchor “Ballarò” – RAI; *Anna Piras*, domestic politics correspondent

#### “Journalism profession and education”

Panelist: *Innocenzo Cruciani*, president of the Scuola di Giornalismo Radio-Televisivo di Perugia; *David Klatell*, “Columbia School of Journalism – New York”; *Vin Ray*, dean of the BBC College of Journalism; *Wilfried Ruetten*, Director for the “European Centre of Journalism – Maastricht”; *Dennis Redmont*, former editor-in-chief Associated Press, Rome

#### “Public service? Reform perspectives of RAI”

Panel: *Franco Iseppi*, c.e.o. RAI-Click; *Enrico Manca*, presidente ISIMM, former president RAI”; *Luis Rivas*, editor-in-chief “Euronews”; *Carlo Verna*, secretary USIGRAI (the Union of Journalists of RAI-Radiotelevisione Italiana); *Giacomo Mazzone*, chief of Strategic Audit of the “European Broadcasting Union – EBU”; *Vittorio Di Trapani*, “RAInews24” and secretary of the AGSP.

#### “Media and democracy in the era of global war”

Panel: *Oliviero Bergamini*, correspondent “TG3 – RAI”; *Talal Khrais*, “Al Safir”- Beirut; *George Krimsky*, “International Centre for Journalists” – Washington D.C.



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### **“The last copy of the New York Times; the future of paper-newspapers”**

Panel: *Vittorio Sabadin*, “la Stampa”, author of the book “The last copy of the New York Times”; *Bertrand Pecquerie*, director of “World Editors Forum” - Paris

### **“Investigative journalism and media independence”**

Panel: *Anthony De Palma*, writer and reporter, “The New York Times”; *Eric Laurent*, writer and journalist, “Le Figaro”; *David Randall*, editor-in-chief, “The Independent on Sunday”, *Jacopo Zanchini*, “Internazionale”, *Monica Maggioni*, correspondent, “TG1-RAI”.

### **“Let’s re-make the Order. The Italian “Ordine dei Giornalisti” must be reformed or abolished?”**

Panel: *Daniele Capezzone*, president Productive Activities Committee, Italian House of Representatives; *Lorenzo Del Boca*, president of the National Council of the Ordine dei Giornalisti; *Giovanni Rossi*, adjunct secretary general of the Federazione Nazionale della Stampa Italiana - FNSI, Italian National Union of Journalists; *Paolo Poggio*, “Giornale radio RAI” (RAI Radio News)

## **ASSISES INTERNATIONALES DU JOURNALISME**

In 2008 the AGSP was invited to the second edition of the **Assises Internationales Du Journalisme** which was held in Lille, France. Hundreds of journalists from many different countries attended this event which focused on the problems of journalism in today’s rapidly changing world.

## **YOUTH PRESS ITALIA**

AGSP is one of the founding members of Youth Press Italia, the Italian branch of European Youth Press, a network of young media makers.

## **NATIONAL CONTRACT FOR JOURNALISTS**

In 2005, while the Association of Italian Media Companies and the Italian Union of Journalists were engaged in a heated confrontation over a new National Contract for Journalists, the AGSP brought together the two sides for a public debate. The debate involved representatives of the Media Companies, of the Journalists’ Union, *Maurizio Sacconi*, deputy Secretary of Labour, *Tiziano Treu*, former Minister of Labour, member of the Italian Senate, and other distinguished personalities.



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### SEMINARS FOR JOURNALISTS ON EUROPE

In 2009 the AGSP organized a professional seminar entitled “For a Better Understanding of Europe”, which was attended by over 110 journalists from many different news organizations.

Among the experts who contributed to the seminar were **Mario Mauro**, vice president of the European Parliament; **Luigi Cocilovo**, vice president of the European Parliament, **Antonio Tajani**, vice president of the European Commission, **Maurizio Fiorilli**, chief of cabinet of the Ministry of European Policies; **Maria Paola Merloni**, shadow minister of European Union Policies, and several university professors.

A similar activity took place in the current year (2010), with a series of lessons entitled “Travelling to Lisbon: the new Treaty of Lisbon and the reform of the European Union”, which was organized in cooperation with the Italian Group in the European Parliament, the European Commission, and the Italian Ministry for European Policies, the Associazione Stampa Romana (Journalists Union of the Lazio region).