Call for Articles: Special Issue ‘Quo Vadis: The Transformations of Mass Media since 1990’

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The wave of democratization after the end of the Cold War has manifested in an institutionalization of free speech, legal mass media regulations and countless new media outlets. More recently, in turn, commentators have criticized the global retreat of democracy and its problematic, in some cases even devastating, consequences for the press. The editors of the Yearbook of the History of Polish Press/ Rocznik Historii Prasy Polskiej invite you to contribute to the forthcoming special issue ‘Quo Vadis: The Transformations of Mass Media since 1990’: we welcome original research on key events and processes that have shaped media throughout the world in the course of the last three decades. With this broad focus we would like to address scholars from various disciplines, including media studies, media history, history, cultural geography, political science and sociology. Our goal is to publish a special issue that not only brings together different ways of thinking about and interpreting the dramatic changes to media throughout the world but also fosters dialogue among scholars from various backgrounds and countries.

Possible topics could include (but are not limited to):

• changes in media landscapes in individual countries as well as geographic, linguistic and cultural regions;

• media legislation;

• dismantling of censorship;

• new forms of censorship;

• interplay between the end of Cold War and the digital revolution;

• (digital) media and democracy;

• economics of and organisational challenges to media;

• media and identity
• media and gender.

The double-blind peer-reviewed special issue will appear both online (Open Access) and in print. Due to the support of the Polish Academy of Sciences, we are able to cover Open Access fees for our authors.

Author Guidelines: We invite submissions of original and previously unpublished research in English, Polish, German and French. References can be in any style and format as long as the style remains consistent throughout the whole article. Articles should not be shorter than 7,000 words and should not exceed 15,000 words, including footnotes. Please provide an abstract (up to 150 words), key words (up to 10) and a reference list. Please submit your article to rhpp.quovadis@gmail.com. The deadline is March 31.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at rhpp.quovadis@gmail.com.

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