IN MEMORIAM

Necrology to PhD Karol Jakubowicz

Community of Faculty of Communication of Vilnius University together with European Communication Research and Education Association (ECREA) deeply regrets the passing away of PhD Karol Jakubowicz, a great scholar in media and communication studies.

PhD Karol Jakubowicz was Chairman of the Intergovernmental Council of the UNESCO Information for All Programme, and Chairman of the Steering Committee on the Media and New Communication Services at the Council of Europe. He worked in academia at the University of Warsaw, as a visiting professor at the University of Dortmund, and at the Amsterdam School of Communication. PhD Jakubowicz also worked for many years at the National Broadcasting Council of Poland. He served as an expert on the media in Poland, as well as for the European Union, European Broadcasting Union, and the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe. He widely contributed to the development of democratic media regulation in Poland, and – with his valued recommendations and expertise – in several other countries in Central and East Europe. His scholarly and other publications on media and communication were published in Poland and internationally.

We feel privileged to have been able to get to know PhD Karol Jakubowicz. He was a warm, attentive, intellectual man who inspired everyone around him. He was exceptionally well informed on many issues – on media transformations and the need for policies, new
technologies and broadcasting changes. He was reputed for his honesty and influence in following his beliefs. We take the opportunity to re-member his support for ECREA and Centre of Journalism functioning in Vilnius University Faculty of Communication Institute of Journalism and his involvement as an editor of the ECREA Book Series. He shall be tremendously missed.

On behalf of ECREA
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