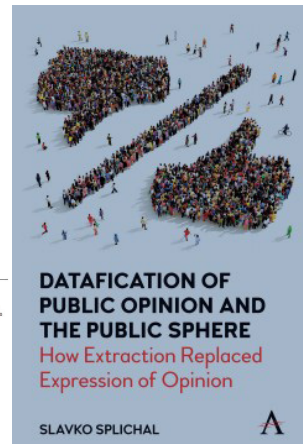
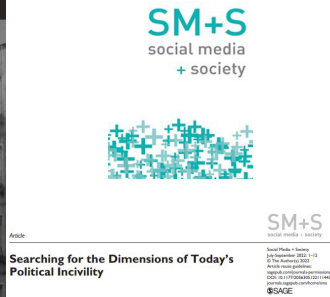
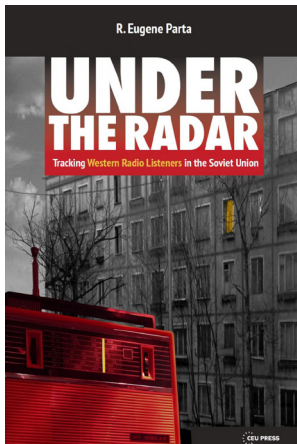


## CONTENDERS FOR THE MEDIA AND DEMOCRACY KAROL JAKUBOWICZ AWARD 2023

Three publications focusing on democracy and media are contending for this year's edition of the Media and Democracy Karol Jakubowicz Award.



On April 12, 2023, the Selection Committee reviewed proposals submitted for the 6th edition of the Media and Democracy Karol Jakubowicz Award – a mark of acknowledgment and support of significant publications in media systems, policies, ethics, and public service media. Scholarly contributions from 2022 and 2023 were recommended by members of the Leadership Team of the International Association of Public Service Media Researchers (IAPMR), Editors and Associate Editors of “Central European Journal of Communication” (CEJC), alongside previous Award winners and the Committee.

Through evaluation of three highly interwoven criteria: 1) methodological correctness, 2) contribution to media knowledge and 3) impact on democratic society, the following scholarly works and authors have been nominated for the Award:

- » **R. Eugene Parta (2022). *Under the Radar. Tracking Western Radio Listeners in the Soviet Union*. Budapest, Vienna, New York: Central European University Press.**

Nominated for a holistic approach to actions by Radio Liberty to reach their audience in the USSR during the Cold War, as well as for elaborating

on language manipulation and propaganda in the context of the ongoing war in Ukraine.

- » **Sara Bentivegna, Rossella Rega (2022). Searching for the Dimensions of Today's Political Incivility. *Social Media + Society*, 8(3). <https://doi.org/10.1177/20563051221114430>.**

Nominated for describing the societal and individual foundations of public and political behavior alongside a scholarly explanation of the intent to delegitimise public debate – the value for ongoing and future political campaign research.

- » **Slavko Splichal (2022). *Datafication of Public Opinion and the Public Sphere: How Extraction Replaced Expression of Opinion*. London, New York: Anthem Press.**

Nominated for the critical-normative assessment of public opinion, the cornerstone of a democratic society, alongside an innovative conceptualisation for public opinion and publicness in the age of algorithms and data.

For the first time in the six year history of the Award, a scholarly research paper is a nominee.



THE MEDIA AND DEMOCRACY KAROL JAKUBOWICZ AWARD was established in 2018 by Małgorzata Semil-Jakubowicz and the Polish Communication Association. The Winner of the Award along with the justification are announced publicly on April 28th, the anniversary of the passing of Karol Jakubowicz. More information about the Award can be found on the PCA's website: <https://www.ptks.pl/en/awards/the-media-and-democracy-karol-jakubowicz-award>

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