

Global Communication

The GlobCom Project

Term XIV/2016

“Facts and Figures of GlobCom project: Analysis of a 16 years Old and Solid University Consortium”

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What is the Globcom Project

GlobCom is an international project run by 16 universities of 16 countries in 5 continents.

The PR students are in the last year of PR studies or at their Master studies.

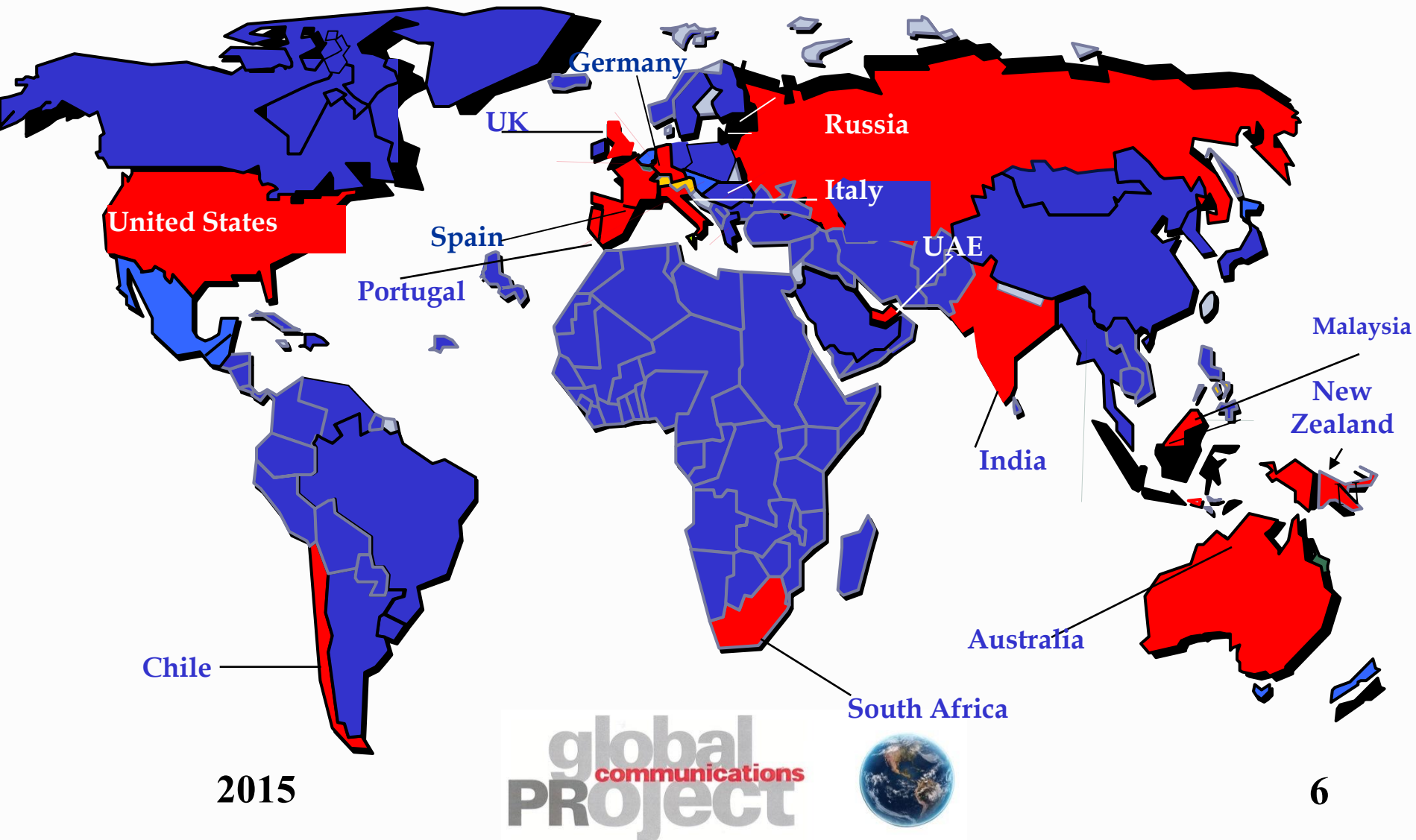


What is the Globcom Project

- 9 international student virtual teams*
- Each team gets the same PR brief and has to develop and present a ppt presentation of a PR problem - as in a real pitch.*
- The virtual teams collaborate using the chatrooms of the GlobCom project, e-mail, skype, phone, facebook, twitter etc.*



*16 Universities, 16 Countries, 5 Continents,
9 international e-Teams, 350 Students worldwide per term.*



Participating Universities

- ★ **Australia:** Curtin University of Technology, **Perth**
- ★ **Chile:** Universidad de Valparaiso, **Valparaiso**
- ★ **Germany:** University of Erfurt, **Erfurt**
- ★ **India:** Institute of Media Management and Information Technology Studies / National Journalism University, **Bangalore**
- ★ **Italy:** Università degli Studi di Udine, **Udine / Gorizia**
- ★ **Malaysia:** Campus Curtin University, **Sarawak / Borneo**
- ★ **New Zealand:** Aut University, **Auckland**
- ★ **Portugal:** Superior School of Mass Communication and Media Arts / Polytechnic Institute, **Lisbon**
- ★ **Russia:** State University St. Petersburg, **St. Petersburg**
- ★ **South Africa:** Stellenbosch University, **Stellenbosch, Cape**
- ★ **Spain:** Ramon Llull University / Blanquerna, **Barcelona**
- ★ **UAE:** Zayed University, **Abu Dhabi**
- ★ **UK:** Leeds Metropolitan University, **Leeds**
- ★ **USA:** Emerson College, **Boston**



OUR MISSION

Managing Cultural Diversity

- ✦ *Few PR professionals have the ability to run global accounts*
- ✦ *There is a growing demand from global companies and agencies for professionals with international & intercultural PR experiences*
- ✦ *PR students learn to form multicultural teams for real international situations*



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Globcom Plans of the Future

- 1. Alumni Club*
- 2. Board of Trustees*
- 3. Scientific Council*



The seven Tasks of the Project

- 1. To collaborate in a multicultural team*
- 2. To overcome cultural barriers*
- 3. To act together online in a virtual team*
- 4. To work as an agency solving a global PR issue*
- 5. To recognize the strength of cultural diversity*
- 6. To learn implementing global strategies locally*
- 7. To persuade through a presentation*



Requirements of the Project

- ★ *GlobCom is part of the curriculum of each university.*
- ★ *Students will be in their 2nd year of public relations /communications study*
- ★ *The project must be part of each university's assessment*
- ★ *Each university has a lecturer responsible for the students' participation*
- ★ *All students participate from the beginning to the end of the project.*
- ★ *Students will be awarded with a GlobCom Certificate*



Virtual teams (I)

- ★ **9 virtual teams comprising 16 countries.** (Around 1 to 2 students per team / per country).
- ★ **Prerequisites:** English language, all time access to internet, in the second or third year of communication / PR studies
- ★ **Team numbers:** The virtual teams have up to 32 members per team or more, with at least 1 student from each country / university
- ★ If there is more than 1 student per team at one university the students will form an internal team group. In this case a **country manager (CM)** will be appointed.
- ★ The team members appoint a **global team manager (GTM)**
- ★ **Decisions are made by all country managers or their deputies**
- ★ The students will be marked by their own university.



Virtual teams (III)

- ★ *Global team leader (GTL): Each virtual team appoints a GTL who coordinates the team, prepares online meetings, and communicates with the team's country managers.*
- ★ *The GTLs will be coached in virtual team leadership by the team mentor and will be part of a GTL network.*
- ★ *The country managers (CM) represent their university within the virtual team, stays in contact with the GTL, fellow team members & their lecturer.*



Virtual teams / Team mentor (IV)

- ★ *Virtual teams are a new way of doing business and students will be pioneering new methods.*
- ★ *The team mentor will coach the GTLs in virtual team skills to manage their virtual team and coordinate the GTLs network*
- ★ *All team members can contact the team mentor for help and must answer regular short survey questions sent by the team mentor.*



Lecturers I

- ✦ *Run lectures & seminars around the project.*
- ✦ *Maintain regular contact with their students*
- ✦ *Monitor and guide their own students' virtual teamwork*
- ✦ *Keep all GlobCom lecturers informed of their team's progress*
- ✦ *Respond to GlobCom colleagues on time*
- ✦ *Represent the project locally*
- ✦ *Provide local/global sponsors and local media*
- ✦ *Evaluate and mark all presentations*



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- *The platform allows the students to:*
 - ★ *access resources needed for the project*
 - ★ *look up information about the client and deadlines*
 - ★ *communicate directly with our team mentor Averill Gordon in the “Team Mentoring” section*
 - ★ *view photos and videos of the past events*
 - ★ *get in touch with former participants (work in progress)*



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GlobCom - Global PR CASES

2003: CSR Campaign: General Electric (GE) Foundation Policy

2004: PR for the Kingdom of Swaziland

2005: PR Campaign for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)

2006: Germany as a tourism destination (World Championship)

2007: Reputation Strategy for Cognis GmbH

2008: Communicating the New Abu Dhabi

2009: Promoting Culture in Abu Dhabi

2010: Airbus Support for the International Year of Biodiversity

2011: Global PR Campaign Carl Zeiss AG

2012: Eye on Earth, Abu Dhabi

2013: Destination Stellenbosch

2014: Better Vision for a Better Future: Carl Zeiss

2015: Sarawak, Malaysia

2016: Dugong and Seagrass: UN Environmental Program



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Central Event

9. Symposium on Global Communication 2012

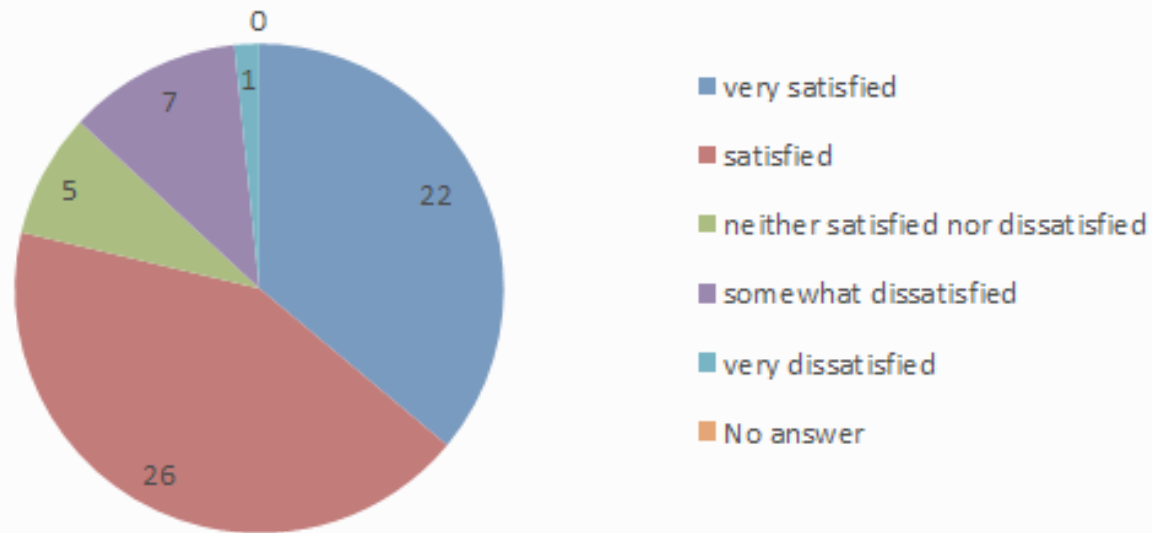
Lecturers and students of GlobCom will meet each year once:

- *Event 2003: Erfurt*
- *Event & Symposium 2004: Barcelona*
- *Event & Symposium 2005: Gorizia/ Trieste*
- *Event & Symposium 2006: Palma de Mallorca*
- *Event & Symposium 2007: Lisbon*
- *Event & Symposium 2008: Abu Dhabi*
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- *Event & Symposium 2010: Cheltenham, UK*
- *Event & Symposium 2011: Barcelona*
- *Event & Symposium 2012: Abu Dhabi*
- *Event & Symposium 2013: Stellenbosch*
- *Event & Symposium 2014: Boston*
- *Event & Symposium 2015: Sarawak, Malasia*
- *Event & Symposium 2016: Abu Dhabi, EUA*



Evaluation of the Presentation II

1. First, please rate your overall satisfaction with the Global Communications Project.



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The Sponsors I

- ✚ *On a central basis: The project will be sponsored by a case sponsor and by pool sponsors*
- ✚ *Case Sponsorship:*
 - ✦ *Drafts the PR case*
 - ✦ *Gets the copies of the global PR strategies*
 - ✦ *Submits the winner award (Laudatio)*
 - ✦ *Mentioned in all publications (e.g. certificates, website, press releases, letter heads, media work)*
 - ✦ *Contributes to the Central event*
 - ✦ *Benefits of a pool sponsor*
- ✚ *Pool Sponsors e.g.:*
 - ✦ *Mentioned in all publications*



The Sponsors II

- ★ *Members of the board of Trustees*
- ★ *Invitation to the Symposium*
- ★ *Invitation to the Award Gala Dinner*
- ★ *Members of the award jury*
- ★ *Hypelink at the project's website*
- ★ *Access to the global academic world*

† Local Sponsors:

- ★ *Mentioned in local media work*
- ★ *Mentioned on the projects website*

**† Central Funds used only for central project needs,
local funds for local needs**



The Press Officer

- *One student in each country may act as a press officer of the project. PRO tasks:*
 - ★ *Announcing the project*
 - ★ *Informing PR trade magazines and local media*
 - ★ *Keeping contact with other PRO`s*
 - ★ *Cultivating relationship with the sponsor*



Timing

★ <i>Individual Preparations by Universities:</i>	<i>Nov. to Jan. 16</i>
★ <i>Start of the project: Registration/Contacts</i>	<i>23. Feb. 16</i>
★ <i>Start Introductions and Briefing:</i>	<i>24. Feb. 16</i>
★ <i>Briefing Sessions with the Client:</i>	<i>09. Mar. 16</i>
★ <i>Development of the Presentations:</i>	<i>Mar to May, 16</i>
★ <i>Re-Brief with the Client</i>	<i>27. Apr. 16</i>
★ <i>Submission of Presentations:</i>	<i>May 18, 16</i>
★ <i>Symposium in ABU DHABI/UEA</i>	<i>May 29, 16</i>



OUT COMES

- † *4500 Alumni*
- † *4 Special issues publishes impact Academic Journals.*
- † *14 Symposiums World Wide*
- † *A 5 year master on Global Communication studies*
- † *A Board of trustees*
- † *Quite very big clients trust us: UN, Governments (Germany, Spain, Italy, and Abu Dhabi), General Electric*

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