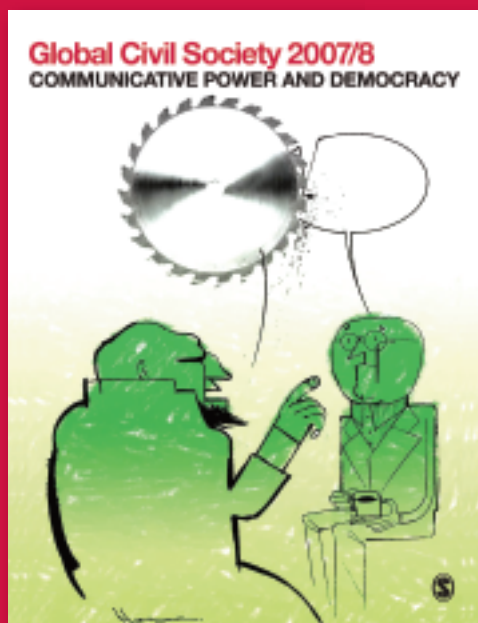


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## The Launch of *Global Civil Society 2007/8*

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### Communicative Power and Democratic Change What Role for Global Civil Society in the 21st Century?

#### Speakers

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This panel will explore the extent of civil society's influence on public debate, policy making and governance at local, national and global levels. How will the role of global civil society change in the 21st century? Interaction will be encouraged from the audience during a dedicated Q&A session.

In an increasingly interconnected world characterised by new and accelerated modes of communication, and growing concern about global issues and governance, the role of global civil society is arguably more important than ever. Global civil society can be understood as an arena of for dialogue and action around shared interests and values, as well as a multitude of organisations, networks and individuals. Such actors are constantly creating new public spaces – using innovative forms of communication and technology – that operate beyond nation state boundaries.

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