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Published papers in this issue continue to focus on media education and training in the Asia Pacific. Quite a few were presented at separate conferences in 2004, one on “Asian media research” held in Singapore from Aug.6-7; and the other on “Best Practices in Online Journalism Education” held at the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Center for Journalism, Ateneo de Manila University in the Philippines, Dec.9-10.

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