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## CENTER FOR POLICY STUDIES ESTABLISHED AT CEU

A multi-issue Center for Policy Studies, headed by Director Bohdan Krawchenko, is being established at Central European University in Budapest. It begins working from March 2000.

The center will perform policy research and advocacy related to issues central to the mission of building open societies. It will promote public debate by supporting quality research and disseminating the results in accessible formats. The center will work to improve the policy environment in the region by diversifying the sources of public policy input. Among the first issues it will examine are European accession, the future of Southeastern Europe, and social capital.

The Center for Policy Studies at CEU is being established at a time when many of the national foundations in the Soros foundations network are becoming increasingly concerned about the closed nature of the policy

processes in their countries, and are themselves fostering the development of public policy institutes. The center will work with this broadening circle of analysts and institutions, and will promote the development of policy center networks throughout the region.

Located at CEU, the center will seek to enhance the university's status as an institution that accumulates regional knowledge and stimulates critical thinking about public policy issues. It will help the Soros foundations network by analyzing issues addressed by the network's activities. To help fulfill this mission, the Open Society Institute's International OSI Policy Fellowships program will be incorporated into the center.

The Center for Policy Studies is funded by a grant from the Open Society Institute, and its board is chaired by CEU President and Rector Yehuda Elkana.

## DOCTORAL PROGRAMS GROWING

"CEU's original mission was to prepare students from this region for further graduate study," says Executive Vice-President István Teplán, commenting on the growing number of doctoral students and doctoral programs at the university, "and our Master's programs completed this mission successfully during the first few years." However, he emphasizes, in order to remain a true "transnational center of excellence" CEU must produce doctoral works, a regular flow of serious intellectual output. The Board of Trustees and the Senate recognize this, says Teplán, and so do the academic departments: this is why the university has increasingly emphasized the development of its doctoral programs.

CEU's first doctoral program, the PhD in Medieval Studies, was introduced in 1994 and it awarded its first degrees in 1998. Currently, there are nearly 200 doctoral students in programs in the History, Legal Studies, Medieval Studies, Political Science and Sociology depart-

ments (see table on page 2). In addition, two new PhD programs in Economics and Philosophy will accept students for the 2000/2001 academic year.

The increasing emphasis on doctoral studies, Teplán stresses, represents a change in the very nature of CEU. The university has been transformed from an institution with nearly a complete turnover of students each year to one with many students who remain for four or five consecutive years. Thus, both academically and administratively, CEU must increasingly individualize the attention it pays to its students.

With students now staying at CEU for several years, the university must also make further efforts to bring them more closely together as an academic community. One such initiative, begun in October 1999, is the seminar series "Intellectual Trends in the Twentieth and Twenty-

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## A P P O I N T M E N T S



Professor Béla Greskovits has been appointed Head of the International Relations and European Studies Department, effective August 1, 1999. He has been an Associate Professor in the Political Science Department.



Rositsa Bateson has been appointed Director of Student Services, effective January 1, 2000. She was previously Assistant Director for Finance and Administration for the Open Society Archives.



Professor Laszlo Kontler has been appointed Head of the History Department, effective January 1, 2000, after serving as the department's Acting Head.



Katalin Gadoros has been appointed Assistant Director for Finance and Administration at the Open Society Archives, effective January 1, 2000. She was previously a Program Assistant with the CEU Summer University (SUN).



Professor Laszlo Matyas has been appointed Head of the Economics Department, effective October 11, 1999. He has been a Recurrent Visiting Professor in the department.



Katalin Lassu has taken up the position of Executive Assistant to the Executive Vice-President effective July 1, 1999. She was previously Assistant to the Executive Vice-President.



Csilla Dobos has taken up the position of Program Coordinator in the Medieval Studies Department, effective January 6, 2000. She was previously Academic Coordinator in the Rectorate.



Liviu Matei has taken up the position of Academic Secretary, effective December 1, 1999. He was previously Executive Assistant to the President and Rector.



Krisztina Zsukotynszky has taken up the position of Program Coordinator in the Political Science Department, effective September 1, 1999. She was previously the department's Program Assistant.



Szilvia Kardos has taken up the position of Assistant to the President and Rector, effective December 1, 1999. She was previously Secretary to the Executive Vice-President.



Ildiko Nagy Moran has been appointed Vice-President, Public Affairs and Development, effective September 7, 1999. She was previously CEU's Director of Public Affairs, Publications and Conference Planning.



Vladimir Pavic has taken up the position of Assistant to the Academic Pro-Rector, effective July 14, 1999. Pavic received an SJD from the CEU Legal Studies Department in June 1999.

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First Centuries," conducted by President and Rector Yehuda Elkana. In these seminars, doctoral students from different disciplines are involved in discussions about topics presented by Professor Elkana or one of the students. Serhiy Pukas, a PhD student in the Political Science Department, comments, "These discussions focus students' attention on the underpinning assumptions of established theories, on the genuine controversies in thought among influential philosophers and social scientists. The atmosphere of benevolent criticism creates unparalleled opportunities for students from different departments to confront opposing views and to learn a great deal from each other."

CEU is also modifying its facilities to accommodate the growth in doctoral student numbers. The university's goal is to provide the conditions for all doctoral students to have their own study carrels, each equipped with a computer, for the duration of their studies. After having very good experiences with a small number of student-maintained PhD study rooms containing four or five carrels, CEU will soon begin reconstruction of several more such rooms.

The new study rooms will be located in space now occupied by the International Management Center (IMC). In late February and early March, as soon as the IMC moves to its new location, reconstruction work will begin.

Within two months, says Teplán, a total of 100 carrels should be available for doctoral students. He points out that this development will be good news for Master's students as well as doctoral students, as the study rooms will reduce pressure on the library and computer labs. In this sense, and in many others, the development of doctoral studies at CEU will provide benefits for the university as a whole.

#### Doctoral Students at CEU *(as of February 15, 2000)*

History (PhD)	52
Legal Studies (SJD)	26
Medieval Studies (PhD)	49
Political Science (PhD)*	47
Sociology (PhD)	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>192</b>

\*Includes 6 students in the International Relations and European Studies track.

## ACADEMIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Two New Doctoral Programs to Begin in 2000/2001*

#### **PhD Program in Economics**

The aim of the new PhD program in Economics is to prepare students for careers in teaching, research or government service, and to prepare researchers to participate actively in the analysis of the fundamental economic questions facing market and transition economies. The program is designed to ensure that students acquire rigorous and state-of-the-art knowledge of core areas of economic theory and research methodology, and to offer research opportunities under the close supervision of an excellent international faculty.

#### **PhD Program in Philosophy**

The PhD program in Philosophy, directed by Ferenc Huoranszki, will train researchers and teachers of philosophy for the universities of Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. The program will combine historical and theoretical approaches to philosophy, covering the main philosophical traditions. The curriculum will ensure that all major fields of philosophy are studied. However, the areas of focus will be moral philosophy, political and legal philosophy, and philosophy of the social sciences.

### *CEU Is Granted Middle States "Candidate for Accreditation" Status*

In June 1999, Central European University was granted the status of Candidate for Accreditation by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104; (215) 662-5606.

Candidate for Accreditation is a status of affiliation with a regional accrediting commission which indicates that an institution has achieved

recognition and is progressing toward, but is not assured of, accreditation. It has provided evidence of sound planning, seems to have the resources to implement the plans, and appears to have the potential for obtaining its goals within a reasonable time.

CEU was invited to submit its full application for Middle States accreditation in November 1998 following a pre-application review in September of that year.

## SPACE 2000: STRATEGIES AND CHANGES

CEU is pleased to announce that it will be acquiring long-needed additional space to better fit the university's needs. This development will be made possible by the acquisition of space vacated by the CEU-affiliated International Management Center (IMC), which is currently located in CEU's Nádor Street 11 building. The IMC will be moving to the top three floors of a nearby building at Zrínyi Street 14, where the business school will have its own facilities, including several new classrooms, offices and a computer lab. This new location can be reached through the building's street entrance, but CEU is also planning to build a glass-tube elevator in the Japanese Garden, making it possible to reach the IMC without leaving the CEU complex.

The 800 square meters of space to be occupied by CEU at Nádor Street 11 will include four new classrooms, five new PhD rooms and a computer lab. Currently located in the Október 6th Street building, the History Department will be moving to larger, more compactly arranged offices in the Nádor Street 11 building as well. The remaining academic departments in the Október 6th Street building, namely Legal Studies and Economics, will be obtaining additional space there.

Both the Gender & Culture and Philosophy programs will also be getting new space, while the Nationalism Studies Program will be taking over space previously occupied by the library offices. With the opening of a new building on October 22, 1999, the library has acquired larger, more functional and very beautiful new offices. In the basement of this building, the university will open a new multimedia lab, a joint effort of the library and the Language Teaching Center.

In addition to the new arrangements for its academic facilities, CEU is also pleased to announce two new developments that will enhance recreational opportunities for the students. Together with the Open Society Institute and the CEU Shareholding Company, the university is planning to open a facility for basketball, volleyball, badminton and other indoor sports in a nearby building at Nádor Street 15. CEU is also proceeding with plans to open a pub in the basement of the CEU Residence and Conference Center.

## "DECENTRALIZATION FOR DEMOCRACY"



◀ *Tibor Várady of the CEU Legal Studies Department speaks at a reception for mayors from the Association of Free Cities of Yugoslavia. The mayors visited CEU after arriving in Budapest to participate in the "Decentralization for Democracy" conference organized by the Municipality of Budapest in association with the Friedrich Nauman Foundation, the World Bank and the Open Society Institute. Also pictured: CEU Executive Vice-President István Teplán (second from right) and Academic Pro-Rector Stefan Messmann (right).*

# THE BOOK PAGE

## *A New Perspective on Liberalism*



*The Meaning of Liberalism - East and West* provides a new perspective on the continuing debate about how liberalism should be defined and what it means in countries with an established parliamentary system, particularly in the new democracies of Central and Eastern Europe. Edited by Zdeněk Suda and CEU University Professor Jiří Musil, this book addresses a key question: will the specific experience of

communism and its aftermath give birth to a new distinct current of liberal thought, or will it simply enlarge the scope of the Western liberal debate? The authors argue that liberalism cannot be reduced merely to private property and market prices, but needs a very complex set of institutions and corresponding law. Contributors from both sides of the former iron curtain highlight the richness and diversity of liberalism and discuss different perceptions of liberal thinking in the post-modern world.

Zdeněk Suda and Jiří Musil, editors, *The Meaning of Liberalism - East and West* (Budapest: CEU Press, 2000)

## *Approaching Linguistic Human Rights*



Linguistic human rights is a fast-growing new area of study combining the principles of national and international law with the study of language as a central dimension of ethnicity. Implementation of these principles is aimed at ensuring that no state or society violates these basic rights. *Language: A Right and a Resource* is a path-breaking study of linguistic human rights edited by Miklós Kontra, Robert Phillipson,

Tove Skutnabb-Kangas and Tibor Várady, Chair of the International Business Law Program in CEU's Legal Studies Department. This volume broadens our knowledge of the

important role of language in minority rights, and in social and political struggles for linguistic human rights. Exploring the interactions of linguistic diversity, biodiversity, the free market and human rights, the contributors present case studies to highlight such issues as Kurdish satellite TV attempting to achieve basic linguistic rights for Kurds in Turkey; the implementation of linguistic human rights in the Baltic states; language rights activism in Canada; the spread of English as an international language; and the obstacles met in education by Roma and the deaf in Hungary due to the lack of appropriate linguistic rights.

Miklós Kontra, et al., editors, *Language: A Right and a Resource* (Budapest: CEU Press, 1999)

## *Unfinished Socialism: Pictures from the Kádár Era*

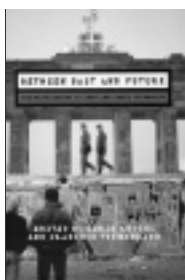


*Unfinished Socialism* by András Gerô (CEU History Department) and Iván Petô is an extraordinary book providing a snapshot of socialism throughout the Kádár regime in Hungary (1956–1989) and capturing the essence of the world behind the iron curtain in a stunning, and often stark, collection of photographs. This book is a visually stunning anthropological study containing 450 pho-

tographs, many previously unpublished, which portray life in Hungary from every angle: from the May Day March to pop music and from homelessness to sports. With an introduction that will help the reader understand and appreciate the true meaning of the photographs, this political, social and cultural study of the Kádár years transports the reader back to a time of great significance in Hungary's turbulent history.

András Gerô and Iván Petô, *Unfinished Socialism: Pictures from the Kádár Era* (Budapest: CEU Press, 1999)

## *At a Crossroads between Past and Future*



Edited by former CEU Academic Pro-Rector Sorin Antohi and Vladimir Tismaneanu of the University of Maryland, this book is a collection of contributions from participants in the conference "Between Past and Future: The Revolutions of 1989 and Their Aftermath" held at CEU in March 1999. The tenth anniversary of the collapse of communism in Central and Eastern Europe provides the starting point

for this thought-provoking analysis. *Between Past and Future* reflects upon the past ten years and considers what lies ahead for the future. At a crossroads between past and future, the contributors to this seminal volume address the crucial issues—liberal democracy and its enemies, modernity and discontent, economic reforms and their social impact, ethnicity, nationalism and religion, geopolitics, electoral systems and political power, European integration and the tragic demise of Yugoslavia.

Sorin Antohi and Vladimir Tismaneanu, editors, *Between Past and Future: The Revolutions of 1989 and Their Aftermath* (Budapest: CEU Press, 1999)

## CONCERT SERIES SHOWCASES YOUNG MUSICIANS

CEU and the Open Society Institute continue their presentation of classical music in 1999/2000 with their Fourth Annual Joint Concert Series. The idea behind this year's program is to present compositions that relate to relevant problems of our time by means of the approaches taken by brilliant young musicians, some of whom have also already contributed to the contemporary repertoire with their own compositions.



The first performance on October 30, 1999, featured Gábor Csalog, Hungary's most acknowledged contemporary pianist, and the alto Zsuzsanna Lukin who presented song cycles by György Kurtág and Zoltán Jeney. The latter composer was present in the audience, but Maestro Kurtág (whose trumpet fanfare began the Rector's Inauguration Ceremony on November 5) was unfortunately unable to attend. On January 26, 2000, Zoltán Lengyel and friends wove together the enchantment of a Bach piano suite, a cello sonata performed by the composer himself, traditional songs and songs by Debussy, as well

as a meditation for piano inspired by a bottle of Black and White whisky. On February 23, Eran El-Bar, the young Israeli composer, returned with trios and a sonata written since his concert in last year's series and performed by musicians from Australia, Japan, Hungary and Spain.



▲ Zoltán Lengyel

On March 16, the Ewald Brass Quintet will appear with a program full of fresh ideas and musical pranks. Although young, they have already been recipients of several international awards; they have not only mastered technique but have that elusive quality of showmanship as well. A rather unusual match between instruments will take place on April 27: a meeting of the harp and the trumpet. György Geiger and Éva Maros will play pieces in the second half of the concert that have been written by composers inspired by the duo's earlier performances. In this era of virtual reality music also becomes strongly interwoven with the digital element, even from the moment of conception. Two young composers, Ajtony Szakács and Balázs Horváth, in an intriguing concert on May 25, will show the advantages and dangers of this process, and also the ways in which it can change the routine of musical thinking.



▲ Ewald Brass Quintet

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## EVENTS AT THE OPEN SOCIETY ARCHIVES

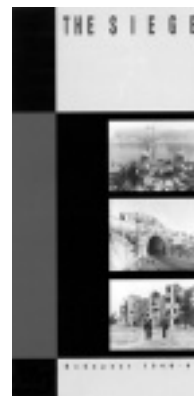
### OSA Exhibitions

#### "The Siege: Budapest, 1944-1945"

(February 13 - March 19) is the current public exhibition in the Galeria Centralis of the Open Society Archives (OSA). This exhibition commemorates the battle for Budapest 55 years ago, using never before seen photographs to paint a picture of incidents and circumstances which have been either largely forgotten or forbidden to remember.

"The Siege" is the latest exhibit in a diverse line-up presented in late 1999 and early 2000: "**Expeditions into the Future**" (December 31, 1999 - February 6, 2000) presented visions of the future through the artwork of children from the communist bloc in the 1960s and 1970s, and through the works of the professional "ideological visionaries" of the time;

"**Vietnám & Vietnam: Háború & War**" (November 4 - December 12, 1999) attempted to shed light on how the war in Vietnam was perceived in the media both in the West and in the East; and "**The Past in the Present for the Future: Preservation in Hungarian Archives**" (October 6 - 31, 1999), held on the occasion of the 34th annual session of the International Archival Roundtable Conference, portrayed types of possible damage to documents, current and past facilities for protection and storage, and methods used to preserve our written history.



### Immanuel Wallerstein Speaks at CEU

On February 22, the Open Society Archives at CEU hosted a public lecture by Immanuel Wallerstein entitled "Beyond the Two Cultures, or the Social Scientization of All Knowledge" in the CEU Auditorium. While at CEU, Wallerstein also spoke on the topic "Unthinking Two Centuries of Historiography" in a meeting with PhD students and faculty at the History Department.



▲ Immanuel Wallerstein

Immanuel Wallerstein is Distinguished Professor of Sociology at Binghamton University, State University of New York, where he is Director of the Fernand Braudel Center for the Study of Economies, Historical Systems and Civilizations. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, which has a distinguished membership of 3,600 Fellows who have been recognized for their contributions to sciences, scholarship, public affairs and the arts.

Wallerstein also headed the Gulbenkian Commission of leading scholars from around the world, organized in 1993 to discuss possibilities for restructuring the social sciences. The report, *Open the Social Sciences*, published in 1996, favored a more interdisciplinary approach to the social sciences.

## CEU AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO CONCLUDE EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

Central European University has concluded an agreement with the University of Toronto (U of T) providing for the exchange of graduate students between CEU and U of T's Centre for Russian and East European Studies (CREES). The agreement makes possible

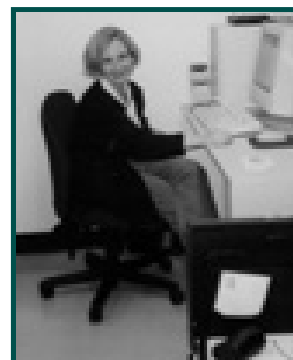


▲ *CEU's History Department in Budapest is currently hosting an exchange student from CREES, PhD student Chrystyna Drywa. Commenting on her experience at the university so far, she says that the most exciting thing about CEU is the richness of the education and the opportunity to learn about other countries and cultures—from the people of those countries and cultures, who reveal completely different views on political and historical events than those presented in the media.*

the exchange of two students from each institution in 2000, with the possibility of expansion of the program in subsequent years. Participating students will register at the host institution for a minimum of one academic term. The funding for the full program, four million Canadian dollars, is being raised by U of T.

While the formal agreement does not take effect until this year, CEU already has close links with U of T. Cooperation between the two universities, in fact, was established much earlier, beginning in 1994 with a cooperation agreement between the CEU Medieval Studies Department and U of T's Centre for Medieval Studies.

In addition to its exchange agreement with U of T, CEU currently has more than 40 academic cooperation agreements with institutions such as Bard College, Cornell University, Emory University, the Open University (London) and Moscow State University.



▲ *In 1999, Marina Loskoutova, a PhD student in the History Department, studied at CREES for three months.*