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INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS CONFERENCE GREAT SUCCESS

Central European University organized, along with the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (HAS) the joint meeting of the European Economic Association (EEA) and the Econometric Society, an event which took place from August 27-31. More than 1,500 participants from 50 countries presented almost 1,300 papers.

The program started with a special lecture on "Productivity in the Euro Area and Monetary Policy" by Jean-Claude Trichet, President, European Central Bank (below, right, next to Guido Tabellini, President, EEA, and Professor, Bocconi University).

Internationally known economists presented results of their research in economics, econometrics and related fields. Among them were: Robert F. Engle, Stern School of Business (Nobel Prize 2003), Tim Bollerslev, Duke

University, Roland Benabou, Princeton University, David Austen-Smith, Northwestern University, Matthew O. Jackson, Stanford University, Janos Kornai, Collegium Budapest and CEU.

One of the most popular events was the panel discussion on development, chaired by Paul Collier, University of Oxford. Discussants were Esther Duflo, Daron Acemoglu, both Massachusetts Institute of Technology, William Easterly, New York University, and George Soros, Founder, Open Society Institute and Chairman, Board of Trustees, Central European University, who joined the discussion via video link from New York.

The Local Arrangements Committee was chaired by Laszlo Matyas, co-chaired by Laszlo Halpern, assisted by Katalin Lassu, Geda Dobosy and Helga Dorner.



CEU GRADUATION CEREMONY 2007

On June 14, nearly 450 Central European University students (including the Business School) from over 70 countries, received their degrees—Master's or doctoral—at this year's Graduation Ceremony, the university's sixteenth, in a setting which included diplomatic representatives from nearly 30 countries. Graduates joined a body of some 6,000 CEU

alumni who are beginning to distinguish themselves as the region's next generation of leaders and scholars. The ceremony included the presentation of several awards for outstanding academic excellence, and special programs certificates. Carla Del Ponte, prosecutor, International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, received the CEU Open Society Prize

and delivered the Commencement Address. The Laudatio for Carla Del Ponte was delivered by Mabel van Oranje, International Advocacy Director, Open Society Institute. Charles Epping, President, Central Europe Foundation announced the Dr. Elemer Hantos Prize, awarded to Vaclav Havel (in absentia).

For pictures from the event see page insert

WELCOME TO NEW ACADEMIC YEAR STUDENTS

In the Academic Year 2007/2008 Central European University welcomes more than 620 new students. This is the first year in which over 300 rooms at the Kerepesi

Residence Center have been reserved, primarily for students studying for their Master's degree, as part of the new modified CEU accommodation package.

APPOINTMENTS

Howard Michael Robinson Appointed as New Provost/Academic Pro-Rector



CEU University Professor **Howard Michael Robinson** has been appointed as the new Provost/Academic Pro-Rector. Robinson, the former Head of the Department of Philosophy (since 2004) began his service on September 15. He took the place of the Outgoing Provost/Academic Pro-Rector, CEU University Professor, Laszlo Matyas, Department of Economics, who had held the post since 2003. Robinson will continue to teach at the Department of Philosophy.



Karoly Bard Appointed Pro-Rector for Hungarian and European Union Affairs

CEU University Professor **Karoly Bard** has been appointed Pro-Rector for Hungarian and European Union Affairs, effective June 11. Bard, also Chair, Human Rights Program, will continue to teach at the Department of Legal Studies.



Agnes Batory has been appointed Associate Professor in the Department of Public Policy, effective August 1



Constantin Iordachi has been appointed Associate Professor in the Department of History, effective August 1



Alessia Campolmi has been appointed Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics, effective August 1



Kristina Irion has been appointed Assistant Professor in the Department of Public Policy, effective September 1



Aleh Cherp has been appointed Director for International Academic Cooperation, effective August 1



Prem Kumar Rajaram has been appointed Head of the Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, effective June 26, as well as Associate Professor, effective August 1



Katalin Farkas has been appointed Head of the Department of Philosophy, effective September 15



Tamara Steger has been appointed Assistant Professor in the Department of Environmental Sciences and Policy, effective August 1



Alex Fischer has been appointed Associate Professor in the Department of Public Policy, effective August 1



Diana Urge Vorsatz has been appointed Professor in the Department of Environmental Sciences and Policy, effective August 1



Matteo Fumagalli has been appointed Assistant Professor in the Department of International Relations and European Studies, effective August 1



Gyorgy Gereby has been appointed Associate Professor in the Department of Medieval Studies, effective August 1

UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE PROGRAM UPDATE

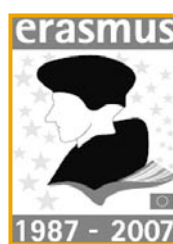
More and more American institutions are adding the CEU/Bard program to their list of approved study abroad destinations. This semester the first students from Maine, where Bowdoin College and the College of the Atlantic have joined the ranks of the partner institutions, came. Setting a new record for distance traveled to study at CEU, an undergraduate from the University of Hawaii is also enrolling in the Department of Gender Studies this fall. This last summer CEU hosted the first Bard Summer Leadership Initiative, holding seminars and organizing internships at local NGOs for 22 American students. Emulating Bard's successful internship programs in New York City and Johannesburg, CEU is now offering human rights-oriented internships during the academic year, in conjunction with the undergraduate study abroad program. CEU has also appointed recent IRES MA graduate Stephanie Szitanyi as its new North American recruiter, beginning in September. While expanding on the existing network of contacts, she will further concentrate on developing CEU's ties to the Hungarian-American community.

For more details visit: <http://ceu.bard.edu>

A Master of Science (MS) program in Environmental Sciences, Policy and Management to be offered by Central European University in cooperation with Lund University, Sweden, the University of Manchester, United Kingdom and the University of the Aegean, Greece was registered with the State Education Department of the University of the State of New York, as from May 25, 2007.

The Master of Science (MS) program in Information Technology Management at Central European University, Bucharest campus, has been discontinued effective August 1, 2007.

CEU ERASMUS UNIVERSITY CHARTER EXTENDED



Following a very competitive evaluation process, the European Commission's Directorate General for Education and Culture has granted Central European University the Extended Erasmus University Charter for 2007-2013, which enables Central European University to take part in the Erasmus Lifelong Learning Program.

The Erasmus Lifelong Learning Program provides opportunities for faculty and student exchange with other universities holding the Erasmus Charter, based on bilateral agreements between universities on the departmental level as well as participation in multilateral projects and thematic networks.

For more information see <http://www.ceu.hu/erasmus>

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CURRICULUM RESEARCH CENTER NEW PROGRAM



CEU's Curriculum Research Center marked the start of a new program this summer, "Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Fellowship (SOTL)", with a call for proposals for faculty to investigate teaching and learning issues in their own courses and disciplines. The program is part of CRC's engagement with the notion and practice of scholarship of teaching and learning, complemented by CRC's Course Portfolio (pilot) project courses on Teaching in Higher Education (the latter organized for CEU doctoral students) and other projects. SOTL is also a part of CEU's ongoing participation in the network of Institutional Leadership on Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, a program of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

The new program will include financial and methodological support for a small number of regular academic faculty, who will investigate student learning in their own courses, disciplines and institutional contexts for one academic year. The first event of the program will be held on September 23-29 with a planned public lecture by a SOTL guest facilitator and an open session for the CEU community.

For more information visit <http://www.ceu.hu/crc/sotl>

CEU SUMMER UNIVERSITY 2007 OPENING

This year's Summer University opened on July 2 with a public roundtable discussion on "The Open Society in Fragile States". Panelists included George Soros, Founder, Open Society Institute and Chairman, Board of Trustees, Central European University, Paul Collier, Director, Economics Department, Center for the Study of African Economies, Oxford University, Lily Habash, Head of Governance Reform, Palestinian Authority and Clare Short, former Development Minister, United Kingdom. The discussion was moderated by Fredrik Galtung, Director of the SUN 2007 Course "Integrity Reform and Strategic Corruption Control".

The discussion was launched by Paul Collier, also the author of a highly successful book "The Bottom Billion. Why the Poorest Countries Are Failing and What Can Be Done About It". (During the discussions, George Soros kindly offered to donate to every Summer University participant a copy of the book, whose key issues formed the basis of the debate). After the panel discussion questions were taken from the audience and a lively question and answer period ended the event.

Yehuda Elkana, President and Rector, CEU, also added his own reflections to the debate and then officially opened the 2007 CEU Summer University. This year's CEU Summer University, the 12th, offered 16 courses, joining over 460 participants from 75 countries.

INTERNATIONAL ARCHEOLOGICAL PROJECT FOLLOWED BY SUN COURSE

During the summer months of 2006 CEU faculty, staff and students from the Department of Medieval Studies joined a large international team of scholars and students in a complex archaeological investigation, *Progetto Classe*. Located at the site of the sixth-century basilica of St. Severo in Classe, Ravenna, Italy, the project was organized by *Ravennantica*, a local institution for the protection and presentation of the cultural heritage of the city of Ravenna, and supported by the Culture 2000 scheme of the EU.

The project was led by Andrea Augenti (University Ravenna/Bologna) and an Italian team of young specialists who provided continuity for the project. Three other teams, with participants from CEU, University of Barcelona and University of Leicester worked in different periods and in different parts of the complex. The CEU team was led by Jozsef Laszlovszky, assisted by two specialists, Irene Barbiera (PhD '04)—burial complexes, and Gergely Buzas—architectural history, as well as eight doctoral students and joined by the project coordinator and an independent scholar.

Three important workshops were also organized in the framework of this project ("Abandoned Antique Towns"—Leicester, "Transformation of Religious Practices and Cult Places"—Budapest, "Church Architecture and its Historical Context"—Barcelona). Additionally, the most important results of the excavation, as well as of the workshop discussions were summarized in a CEU Summer University course on "The Birth of Medieval Europe—Interactions of Power Zones and their Culture in Late Antique and Early Medieval Italy." The first part of the course focused on the problems related to St. Severo and Ravenna, while the second part discussed more general issues of the Late Antique—Early Medieval Periods.

For more details visit <http://medstud.ceu.hu> and <http://www.sun.ceu.hu>



17TH ACADEMIC YEAR OPENING OF CEU

Remarks by Yehuda Elkana, President and Rector

Opening Address
by Howard Michael Robinson
Provost/Academic Pro-Rector

September 21, 2007
3:00 p.m.
CEU Auditorium

**COMPOSITES ON TOUR—
INTERNATIONAL COMPOSITES DESIGN
COMPETITION**

This design exhibition in Galeria Centralis aimed to bring the science closer to the general public. The exhibition was accompanied with a small scientific exhibition that explained how research and development in the field of composites influence everyday life. Visitors were shown, in an informal and interactive manner, how composite materials are made and why they have such unique properties. The exhibition was originally in Brussels, travelling from there to Paris, Barcelona and Budapest (between June 12—July 1, 2007) and then on to Ljubljana and Eindhoven.

No Roma!

Racist films were shown in the Roma Pavilion during the Venice Film Festival

over the August 29—September 14 period, in a drive not to shock, but to remind visitors of the not infrequent, disgraceful and inhuman uses of film. The films ran on half-hidden monitors in a cupboard, placed as if by accident, in the attic of the palace housing the first ever exhibition of Roma contemporary art at the Biennale: They were “skeletons in the closet”. The installation was a distant reference to the “National Socialism” section of the German Filmmuseum (*Deutsche Kinemathek*) in Berlin, where Nazi films, including the films of Leni Riefenstahl, were shown in a cupboard, the drawers of which “are not only reminiscent of an archive, but also of a morgue.”

**CHACHIFE: DECADE OF ROMA
INCLUSION PHOTO CONTEST**

The Open Society Institute and the Open Society Archives at Central European

University announced an international photography contest under the “Decade of Roma Inclusion.” The contest was open to all, regardless of citizenship, residence or ethnic affiliation. After voting by an international jury of professionals and the public, prizes will be awarded in five categories. The best of the submitted photos will be displayed in an exhibition at Galeria Centralis in Budapest in fall 2007, and a selection of photos will be published early next year.
(More information: <http://photo.romadecade.org/index.php?content=1>)

DISCARDED BOOKS

Discarded books of Radio Free Europe Library were available for free at OSA between August 24—September 7. The majority were in English/Polish/Russian, with some German, French, Czech and Slovak titles as well.

CEU BUSINESS SCHOOL

CEU Business School's new Dean and Managing Director, Paul Garrison recently spoke about the long history and exciting future of the School

“These are exciting times for Central European University (CEU) Business School. But times have been exciting since our inception 17 years ago, shortly after the political changes that transformed Central and Eastern Europe. We have been a part of that dynamic process every step of the way. At CEU Business School, we don't just teach change management; we live it each and every day through the rapidly evolving lives of our students and our alumni, and through the many countries and cultures we operate within. In fact, you might even say that change has become a part of our DNA. As a result, we have not only adapted to survive in rapidly changing times, we have learned to thrive on it.

In the initial years after the political changes of 1989-1990, many people thought that the East needed to catch up to the West. When I first came to Budapest in 1995 to set up marketing operations for Coca-Cola in 23 countries throughout the region, I thought the same. And I thought that way for about a month. Then I came to realize what many other business leaders also saw: This was a unique opportunity to do much more than merely catch up—we could leap ahead. Certainly we want to take best practices from the West, and any other direction they may come from, and CEU has been a leader in cascading that knowledge to our students from the beginning. But what if we can find a way to do it better? What if we can find a way to collapse the process in any given business endeavor so it moves faster, grows faster. Maybe we can completely eliminate steps four or six, or start at step three instead of step one. *What if?*

And it isn't just in Central Europe where the Eastern sibling has begun to show the Western brother a thing or two about business and commerce. Look at the pace of change in China and India, two countries from which we are experiencing a growing number of students arriving at CEU Business School. Seventeen years on, we are beginning to see businesses, ranging from well-established multinationals to bold start-ups, coming to CEU Business School to recruit a new breed of manager who can more readily adapt to, and then lead, change in their operations not only in the region, but across the globe. Western students from Germany, Canada, Mexico, the US and France participated in a Strategic Market Planning course I personally taught this past spring. They are coming to our school because they realize the need to embrace change in their home countries as well. The only thing that is certain about the future everywhere is that it will be somewhat different than what we think it will be.

And CEU Business School will continue to leap forward in the months and years ahead both in what we do, and through the students with whom we do it.”

For full text visit <http://www.ceubusiness.com/meet-the-dean>

BOOK CORNER



HEROES AND VILLAINS
Creating National History in Contemporary Ukraine
David R. Marples,
University of Alberta,
Edmonton, CEU Press

Certain to engender debate in the media, as well as the academic community, the book examines the sensitive issue of the changing perspectives on several events discussed in the new narratives of the Stalin years, published in the Ukraine, from the late Gorbachev period until 2005. Ukrainian Studies have been in the Press's focus from the very beginning. The new era of an independent Ukraine is the ideal time to bring to a broader audience the rich legacy of Ukrainian history and culture.



INVESTOR ENGAGEMENT
Investors and Management Practice under Shareholder Value
Roderick Martin (Professor,
CEU Business School), P. D.
Casson and T. M. Nisar

Oxford University Press, Publisher and Distributor of the Year 2005, 2006 and 2007 Awarded by the Academic, Specialist, and Professional Group of the Booksellers Association

The book examines the relations between investors and managers, showing how institutional investors and private equity funds engage with, and influence, management practice. Shareholder influence has grown at the expense of other stakeholders.