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GENDER STUDIES ANNIVERSARY SYMPOSIUM

The CEU Department of Gender Studies organized a two-day symposium from May 17-18 to mark the ten-year anniversary of the establishment of gender studies at CEU. The event, entitled "Gender, Empire, and the Politics of Central and Eastern Europe: A Gender Symposium", was co-organized with Duke University and the University of Washington. The



symposium participants, who came from over 20 universities worldwide, included senior scholars in the field from Yale University, Duke University, UCLA, London School of Economics, Humboldt University, Potsdam University, University of Vienna, Charles University, University of Sarajevo, and numerous others.

The interdisciplinary approach of the event examined issues relating to the historical and contemporary influence of transnational structures (which some scholars have argued should be thought of as "empires"), such as

global capitalism, the EU, and Soviet-dominated state socialism and to the development of gender identities and gender hierarchies in the CEE region in particular.

The Department of Gender Studies had its first Master's program accredited with the Board of Regents of the State of New

York in May 1997. Starting with nine students in its first year, it today reaches into a community which has members from over 20 different countries. In the last two years, the department has built onto its already well-established US-accredited one-year MA program and its PhD program. Next year it begins a joint Erasmus Mundus two-year MA program and plans to begin advertising for a Hungarian-accredited two-year MA program in Critical Gender Studies. The department is also presently part of an application for a Marie Curie grant to further support its thriving PhD program.

KEY PUBLIC POLICY LECTURE

The Department of Public Policy at CEU organized, on April 25, a public lecture by Professor Dr. Kurt Biedenkopf, former Prime Minister, Free State of Saxony (1990-2002). The lecture, entitled "The Modern Welfare State: Promises and Failures" explored how welfare has developed during the last 30-40 years in modern industrial democracies in Europe.



Biedenkopf, now Chairman, Board of Trustees, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin, further identified the basic needs to be ensured by the state, as well as the way in which individual and privately organized collective investment can contribute to personal security. The introductory remarks were given by Uwe Puetter, Head, Department of Public Policy.

EEA-ESEM BUDAPEST 2007 CONGRESS

The 22nd Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (EEA) and the 62nd European Meeting of the Econometric Society (ESEM) will take place from August 27-31, 2007. The joint meeting is organized by Central European University and the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, at both sites, as well as in two additional adjoining locations. Acclaimed keynote

speakers at several plenary sessions and panel discussions mark the academic level and professional importance of the event. Well-known, internationally-recognized scientists and policy-makers will present their works in economics, econometrics and related fields.

For more details visit

<http://www.eea-esem-budapest2007.hu>

APPOINTMENTS



Aziz Al-Azmeh,
Department of
Medieval Studies,
has been
appointed CEU
University
Professor



**Howard Michael
Robinson**,
Department of
Philosophy,
has been
appointed CEU
University
Professor

**Howard Michael Robinson has been appointed
Academic Pro-Rector/Provost, expected as of September 16, 2007**

CEU COORDINATORS' CONFERENCE



CEU hosted its annual Coordinators' Conference, from April 24-27, in an event organized by Student Services. With 45 participants, many of whom are involved with the activities of the Soros foundations network (from 30 countries worldwide) the conference provided a forum which enabled CEU departments and service units to update the recruitment coordinators on recent academic developments, degree programs on offer, and admissions requirements. The group also discussed CEU's recruitment strategy and its web development project, to enhance CEU's web presence

and attractiveness to potential candidates.

The conference was very interesting and useful. Even those sessions which included less novel information for me, as a former CEU student, served as good points to refresh and update my knowledge about our university. I was particularly impressed by the sessions including more practical information on CEU's current status and challenges, and by the positive will to integrate efforts in the future development of this unique institution.

Nikolai Vukov, AFP Fellow,
New Bulgarian University, Sofia

CEU TEAM RANKS HIGH IN ECONOMETRICS EVENT

CEU recently completed its participation in the Econometric Game, in Amsterdam, an event that gives European students the opportunity to put their knowledge of econometric techniques into practice. The CEU team (Department of Economics) ranked 4th out of a total of 20 participants, sharing its position with London School of Economics. The event, which was organized from April 23-24, included participating universities from 11 European countries. The Department of Economics team was led by Gabor Koltay, Doctoral Student, and was coached by Gabor Kezdi, Assistant Professor. The members included Aniko Biro, Doctoral Student and four MA students: Rodica Calmuc, Gunes Gokmen, Noemi Kreif and Laszlo Sandor.

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT DEPARTS CEU

"The Board of Trustees and the President and Rector of Central European University announce that after many successful years spent as one of the founding staff members, promoters and leaders of CEU, Istvan Teplan, Senior Vice President, will be departing the university, effective May 31, 2007.

During the nearly 16 years Istvan Teplan worked in one capacity or another with CEU, he made invaluable contributions to the growth and prosperity of the university. His dedication, hard work and commitment to the university are deeply appreciated by the Board and the university community. His leadership has gained him recognition not only within CEU, but more widely in Hungary and in academic and governmental circles abroad. We are particularly grateful to Istvan Teplan for his leadership in building CEU's external relations across several continents.

Wherever Istvan Teplan continues his distinguished career, Central European University considers him as a friend and supports him in his work, and hopes to re-engage him in the future as one of our prominent lecturers.

George Soros personally joins the Board in wishing Istvan Teplan well in his future endeavors, and in thanking him for his tremendous service to the university."

CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY GRADUATION CEREMONY

Marking the end of Academic Year 2006/2007 and the awarding of the Central European University Open Society Prize for 2007 to

Carla Del Ponte,

Prosecutor, International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

Thursday, June 14, 2007, 3.00 p.m.–5.00 p.m., at the Vigszinhaz,
Ceremony followed by reception at Central European University
5.30–6.30 p.m.

INTERIM DEAN'S TENURE ENDS

In August of 2006, Adam Tertak took over the CEU Business School as interim Dean for six months at first, then, with an extension of another six months, with the fundamental mandate of developing a 5-year plan and strategic direction for the School. During even this short period of time Adam Tertak's contributions to the development of CEU Business School have included the successful management of the new BSc approval process, the addition of the Real Estate Specialization in the MBA program, as well as the successful management of the AMBA accreditation, which will be approved formally in about six weeks. Adam Tertak is very proud to have had the chance to work with the personnel of the School as part of a committed team during this challenging period in the School's future.

He continues his career on the diplomatic front, as Consul General, at the Hungarian Consulate in Hong Kong. CEU Business School wishes him all the best in this new endeavor, and looks forward to his continued involvement as a member of the International Advisory Board.

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CEU CENTER FOR POLICY STUDIES PLAYS IMPORTANT ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECT

One of the most recent research projects of the CEU Center for Policy Studies (CPS) is QUING (Quality in Gender+ Equality Policies). QUING is a 54-month long international research project funded within the European Commission's 6th Framework Program, which started in October 2006. QUING aims to address issues of gender and citizenship in the European Union and to provide innovative knowledge for inclusive gender + equality policies in present (and future) EU member states.

In QUING, the Center for Policy Studies acts as the leader of the activity called LARG which will consist of a comparative analysis of differences, similarities and inconsistencies in the field of gender + equality between the EU and its

member states. Beyond its co-ordinating role in LARG the CPS is responsible for covering six countries in all activities of the QUING project: Bulgaria, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and Romania. Project partners working with the CEU Center for Policy Studies in QUING are the *Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen* (IWM), Austria (Coordination), Radboud University, Netherlands, Yellow Window, Belgium, *Zenska Infoteka*, Croatia, *Humboldt Universität zu Berlin*, Germany, National Center for Social Research, Greece, *Universidad Complutense de Madrid*, Spain, Peace Institute, Slovenia, *Umea Universitet*, Sweden, Middle East Technical University, Turkey and Lancaster University, United Kingdom.

WORKSHOP ON BROADCASTING POLICIES IN EUROPE

From May 16-18, the CEU Center for Media and Communication Studies (CMCS) hosted an international workshop titled "*Broadcasting Community: a Workshop on Policies in Europe*", at Central European University.

The workshop was organized and sponsored by the CEU Center for Media and Communication Studies (CMCS); the Hungarian National Radio and Television Authority (ORTT); the Center for Global Communication Studies, Annenberg School for Communication, US; the Community Media Forum Europe (CMFE); the World Association of Community Radio (AMARC) Europe and the Austrian Cultural Forum in Budapest (*Osztrák Kulturális Fórum*).

Presentations and discussions focused on three main areas: 1. state and European-



level policy and support for community broadcasting; 2. the role of community broadcasting in fostering minority rights and related cultural policies; 3. the transition from analogue to digital and the impact of digitization on community broadcasting.

The workshop brought together such researchers interested in community

broadcasting policy implementation and impact as: Karin Resetarits, Member, European Parliament, Austria, Miklos Haraszti, Representative on Freedom of the Media, OSCE, Helmut Peissl, Board Member, Community Media Forum Europe, Steve Buckley, President, World Association of Community Radio (AMARC), Dr. Gyorgy Ocsko, Member of the Media and New Communication Services (CDMC), Council of Europe.

As an immediate follow-up to the workshop, CMCS and its partners have already engaged in building a network of researchers interested in the area of community broadcasting policy with the aim of culminating in future collaborative research projects and the possibility of an edited journal edition, book or policy brief.

12TH CEU SUMMER UNIVERSITY

CEU's Summer University (SUN) will have its twelfth intake on June 11-27, with the official opening reception to be held on July 2. Earlier on the same day, George Soros, who is also a guest speaker for one of the courses ("*Integrity Reform and Corruption Control*"), will participate in a public panel discussion moderated by the course director, Fredrik Galtung, Chief Executive, Tiri. Other speakers will include Paul Collier (Oxford University) and Clare Short (former UK Development Minister).

SUN is expecting about 500 participants from 82 countries for its 16 courses this year. In addition to countries of the former Soviet Union and Central and Eastern Europe, the summer program will enroll students in growing numbers from Southeast Asia, West Africa, and Latin America as well as from Western Europe and North America. Funding from various international organizations such as Tiri, UNDP, PILI, OSI LGI, the Regional Environmental Center and others, has made it possible to offer scholarships for these participants.

More detailed information about this year's course offerings is available at <http://www.sun.ceu.hu/3Courses/courses.php>.

CEU URBAN STUDIES WORKSHOP

The newly-founded interdisciplinary workshop in Comparative Urban Studies at CEU had its inaugural conference from May 31-June 1. The two main organizers of this initiative are Daniel Monterescu, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology and Markian

Prokopovych, Research Fellow, Pasts, Inc. Center for Historical Studies. The workshop is working closely with the Department of History, the Department of Medieval Studies and the Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, and will hold regular monthly meetings next academic year.



'SOLO ON SCISSORS, 2.' COLLAGE EXHIBITION

From May 29-June 12 CEU is hosting an exhibition of collage work entitled "Solo on Scissors, 2.", by one of the most outstanding figures of modern Hungarian art, Tamas Lossonczy.

Artistically still active, Lossonczy, was born on 12 August 1904, in Budapest. Although he first studied law upon the request of his family, after finishing his studies he was successfully accepted into the Hungarian Academy of Fine Arts. During the 1920s he traveled frequently and became acquainted with several prominent artists and architects of the period: Walter Gropius, Marcel Breuer and others. He visited the studio of Piet Mondrian and under the influence of the Dutch abstract-geometric master, he took up experimenting with the non-figurative (again).



In 1934, Lossonczy became a member of the Group of Socialist Artists. He was also a member of CIRPAC, the Association of Modern Architecture (with Le Corbusier as its President), the European School, and the Avant-Garde Artists of the Danube Valley. During the many years of his artistic *oeuvre*, he has had numerous solo and group exhibitions in Hungary and

abroad, and has received several awards, among them the Kossuth Prize in 1994. Lossonczy was a founding member of the Szechenyi Academy of Letters and Arts (1992). Among his best known works are "Great Storm Cleanses" („Tisztító nagy vihar”), which is a remembrance of the 1956 Hungarian revolution and his large-scale mosaic at the EUR-Magliana metro station in Rome, Italy (1998).

As the art historian, Zsuzsanna Szegedy-Maszak, said in her introduction of the artist at the CEU exhibition opening, "Viewing the exhibition, what might strike one is the colorfulness, the energetic freshness of these collages. Tamas Lossonczy's works most often reflect on human behavior and human relationships [but], ...ultimately his warm personality radiates in his calming works..."

ALUMNI REUNION WEEK

The Alumni Reunion Week takes place from June 6-8, an event which reunites a large number of CEU graduates. Reunion 2007 hosts a diverse program, including the Alumni Tea House and the CEU Job Fair, exhibitions and academic workshops, sport events and campus tours, meetings with faculty, and individual class dinners, as well as the central reunion event—the Alumni Gala Dinner 2007.

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Blood and Homeland
Eugenics and Racial Nationalism in Central and Southeast Europe, 1900-1940

The editors: Marius Turda, Marie Curie Fellow, School of Arts and Humanities, Oxford Brookes University, Paul J. Weindling, Wellcome Trust Research Professor in the History of Medicine, School of Arts and Humanities, Oxford Brookes University

The history of eugenics and racial nationalism in Central and Southeast Europe is a neglected topic of analysis in contemporary scholarship. The 20 essays in this volume, written by distinguished scholars of eugenics and fascism alongside a new generation of scholars, excavate the hitherto unknown eugenics movements in Central and Southeast Europe, including Austria and Germany.

Eugenics and racial nationalism are topics that have constantly been marginalized and rated as incompatible with local national traditions in Central and Southeast Europe, but which receive a new treatment here.

OSA NEWS

THE BOARD OF THE NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC visited OSA on May 4. Istvan Rev, the director of OSA, introduced the archives to the distinguished members and gave a presentation focusing on the relationship between classical music and totalitarianism, which included footage from relevant films (on Wilhelm Furtwangler, Dmitri Shostakovich, Bela Bartok and the Oscar-winning film director, Istvan Szabo). The talk was followed by a brief discussion about the historical, political and moral contexts.

ON MAY 30 OSA ORGANIZED an international press conference on the occasion of the opening of Raoul Wallenberg's Office (an interactive multimedia exhibition) in the Second House of Sweden, the embassy of Sweden in Second Life (SL). SL is a three-dimensional virtual world imagined and created by its residents who interact with each other through animated alter egos known as motional avatars. Sweden is the first country to open a virtual embassy in Second Life, while OSA is a pioneer in introducing historical content into SL.

BUSINESS SCHOOL NEWS

A DELEGATION OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MBAs (AMBA) visited the teaching site of the CEU Business School from May 14-15 as a part of the School's efforts to seek the accreditation of its MBA program with AMBA, a plan that has been ongoing for the last eight months. An MBA accreditation body, AMBA is one of the three independent internationally-recognized such institutions worldwide—less than 10 percent of the world's MBA programs has received accreditation by one of these three bodies.

At the end of the two-day site visit, the AMBA accreditation team stated that they would recommend to AMBA's International Accreditation Advisory Board that the CEU Business School receive a two-year provisional accreditation. Following the two years, and satisfactory progress made on the suggestions AMBA put forth, the assessment panel will recommend the extension of the provisional recommendation to the full five-year accreditation. The formal acceptance of this recommendation to AMBA's International Accreditation Advisory Board is expected around the end of June, 2007.