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GLOBAL OUTREACH IN STUDENT RECRUITMENT: TOUR OF INDIA, NOVEMBER 2005

When it was established in 1991, CEU was dedicated to studying the process of transition in Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. While continuing with its original mission, CEU is gradually extending its outreach beyond this region. The university is now looking to bring students and faculty from many other parts of the world so that local and global social and political phenomena may be analyzed as they arise and evolve, in a strong comparative context. In addition to recruiting students from Europe, North America and Central Asia, the university is particularly interested in broadening its academic contacts with other countries in Asia, especially India, China and the Asia-Pacific region. With this specific objective, the CEU student recruitment campaign for fall 2006 engaged faculty, staff,

for academic exchange and cooperation. Such meetings were held in Delhi, Bangalore, Chennai, Cochin, Mumbai and Ahmedabad.

In Delhi, the Chairman of the Indian Council of Social Science Research, Andre Beteille, hosted a meeting with the Director and faculty members of the Delhi School of Economics as well as faculty from the Jawaharlal Nehru University. At Jamia Millia Islamia University, the CEU visitors (Academic Secretary, Liviu Matei, and Vice President for Student Services, Rositsa Bateson) were introduced to the deans of the faculties of social sciences, humanities and languages, and students and faculty from the Center for Mass Communication Research and the Center for Peace Studies and Conflict Resolution.



Liviu Matei, Furqan Qamar (Professor and Coordinator of International Relations, Jamia Millia Islamia University), and Rositsa Bateson



Liviu Matei, and Aakash Singh Rathore

The visit to Delhi University (DU) was made possible by an alumnus of the CEU Department of Legal Studies, Aakash Singh Rathore, now an Associate Professor at the DU Department of Philosophy.

From Bangalore, the CEU tour followed with a visit to the Center for the Study of Culture and Society, and included participation in a graduate school fair, followed by several presentations

in colleges and special seminars in Chennai and Cochin. Moving on from the south of India, the tour finished with a graduate school fair and presentations in Mumbai and Ahmedabad. Over 200 Indian students attended the various events and individual consultations: Their interest in CEU programs ranged from business and management studies to economics, environmental sciences and policy, international business law, public policy, and to doctoral studies in mathematics, philosophy, and sociology and social anthropology.

CEU alumni and other partners in representing the university at a variety of student recruitment events in India, China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Vietnam, Thailand, Malaysia, Egypt and the UAE.

Organized for the first time, the recruitment tour of India included participation in student fairs, seminars and institutional visits where both faculty and students attended lively discussions about CEU and possibilities

APPOINTMENTS



Francisca de Haan has been promoted to Professor in the Department of Gender Studies, effective November 1, 2005.



Maria Kovacs has been promoted to Professor in the Nationalism Studies Program, effective October 1, 2005.



Andras Kovacs has been promoted to Professor in the Nationalism Studies Program, effective October 1, 2005.



Andrea Peto has been promoted to Associate Professor in the Department of Gender Studies, effective December 1, 2005.

LAJOS BOKROS APPOINTED TO POST OF CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF CEU



CEU is pleased to announce the appointment of Lajos Bokros to the post of Chief Operating Officer (COO), effective from December 1, 2005 for an indefinite term. Previously Lajos Bokros has served the university as a Senior Vice-President and as a Professor, in the Public Policy Program and in the Department of Economics. In the recent past he had served as a Director of the World Bank, among other major appointments, and was of course internationally widely respected from his tenure as Minister of Finance of Hungary, 1995-96. As COO he will ensure and take responsibility for the effective and efficient operation of CEU in all areas of non-academic affairs. He will retain his post as Senior Vice-President and will continue to teach in Public Policy and in Economics.

ISTVAN REV IN CHE

Following the publication of Istvan Rev's latest book, *Retroactive Justice: Prehistory of Post-Communism* (Stanford University Press), an article appeared in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* (CHE) about his research and work as the director of the Open Society Archives at CEU. The article highlights the roots of Rev's passion for the Archives and his present-day thinking about the Archives' future, as well as his influential work as a scholar. Among those quoted was Katherine Verdery, a professor of anthropology at City University of New York, whose own work also deals with the after-life of communism, "His reputation among scholars in the US is very high ... a new book by Istvan Rev is something to really get excited about." *Retroactive Justice*, published in January, examines key moments in twentieth century Hungarian history from a variety of angles, and is often cited in research on the collapse and afterlife of communism in Central and Eastern Europe.

NOTE: The fall meeting of the CEU Board of Trustees concluded on November 6. A summary of the proceedings can be found on the CEU News and Events website at http://www.ceu.hu/news_events.jsp.

HUNGARIAN ACCREDITATION NEWS

1. Concluding due processes by the Hungarian Accreditation Committee and the Ministry of Education, on September 5, 2005, Laszlo Solyom, President of the Hungarian Republic had awarded the title university professor (egyetemi tanar) and appointed to the Hungarian Central European University (Közep-európai Egyetem) Janos Kis (Philosophy/Political Science), Gabor Klaniczay (Medieval Studies), Howard Robinson (Philosophy) and Tibor Varady (Legal Studies).

With these appointments Central European University has altogether nine faculty members who hold this title. Peter Balazs (International Relations and European Studies), Laszlo Csaba (International Relations and European Studies), Yehuda Elkana (Philosophy), Laszlo Matyas (Economics) and Andras Sajo (Legal Studies) had also earlier been awarded this title by the President of the Republic.

2. Central European University has proposed an initiative which would allow for students of other Hungarian universities, which have similar courses in the social sciences, to take Master's level courses at CEU for credit. It is proposed that 25 students per semester would be allowed to earn a maximum of 2 (CEU) credits, meaning a total of 50 students could earn a total amount of 100 credits over the course of one academic year. In case of over-registration for the courses, students would be chosen on the basis of academic merit.

3. Central European University has proposed the establishment of an international doctoral student conference in the fields of History and Economics (the two accredited CEU doctoral schools). According to the proposition, the conference would bring together students and professors of Hungarian and foreign doctoral schools to discuss the best dissertations of that given year.

4. CEU and the Hungarian Ministry of Education are currently finalizing a support agreement, which would allow for four doctoral students to receive a full tuition waiver and scholarship for 36 months, each, beginning September 1, 2006 (at the two accredited CEU doctoral schools, History and Economics). Within the framework of the agreement, similar support could be made available for Master's level studies once CEU Master's programs are accredited in Hungary.

BBA PROGRAM REGISTRATION



In a letter dated September 26, 2005, the New York State Education Department affirmed that the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) program offered jointly by the CEU Business School and Bocconi University in Milan, has been officially registered.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND ITS APPLICATIONS SEES FIRST PHD DEFENSE

On November 14, the CEU Department of Mathematics and Its Applications saw its first PhD defense, delivered by Tamas Matrai on "Hurewicz Tests: Separating and Reducing Analytic Sets the Conscious Way."



Tamas Matrai

The thesis committee consisted of Istvan Juhasz (Professor, Renyi Institute of the Hungarian Academy), supervisor Tamas Keleti, (Professor, Eotvos Lorand University), and Lajos Soukup (Professor, Renyi Institute of the Hungarian Academy). In the audience were other professors, relatives, and friends of the candidate, as well as doctoral students from the department, to give their support.

Gheorghe Morosanu (Head, Department of Mathematics and Its

Applications) opened the session with a short presentation about the department's PhD program, which was registered in 2004 by the New York State Education Department. The program is in line with American standards, but combines this with European characteristics of graduate education. Course delivery is carried out jointly with the Renyi Institute of the Hungarian Academy and outstanding scholars from other Hungarian, or foreign, institutions are regularly invited to deliver lectures. This initial PhD defense may be considered the first important by-product of the joint program.

Tamas Matrai has been an outstanding CEU student and is an exceptionally talented and diligent individual, who has a great potential for research, as proved by his impressive publication record. Those congratulating him on his achievement included CEU President and Rector, Yehuda Elkana. Matrai has already been offered a research position at the Renyi Institute of the Hungarian Academy.

HAYDEN WHITE RECEIVES CEU HONORARY DOCTORATE



On November 10, Central European University awarded its fifth honorary doctorate, to Hayden White (Professor Emeritus, University of California, Santa Cruz). Sorin Antohi (CEU University Professor; Head, Department of History; Director, Pasts, Inc.) gave the laudatio, while Yehuda Elkana (CEU President and Rector) gave the award in the name of the Senate of the university and delivered closing remarks. In his response, Hayden White spoke eloquently on the topic of history as a science and how it has been studied over time, as well as how it is often used as a reference in answers to questions involving events that are in the process of unfolding.

Sorin Antohi, Hayden White, and Yehuda Elkana

CENS HOLDS FIRST ROUNDTABLE: A DISCUSSION OF RECENT UNREST IN FRANCE

On December 2, the Center for EU Enlargement Studies (CENS) held its first roundtable discussion, entitled "Riots in French Cities: Reasons and Implications." Participating were Philippe Zeller (Ambassador of France to Hungary), Oszkar Fuzes (journalist), Don Kalb (Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology), and Peter Balazs (Professor, Department of International Relations and European Studies; CENS Director).

Zeller described the events as being social unrest directly related to problems of unemployment and discrimination. He emphasized that French decision-makers were aiming to take legal steps to fight discrimination by creating much needed laws. Not surprisingly, many questions from the audience were addressed to the Ambassador. Among them, perhaps the most provocative one was whether France wanted to integrate immigrants at all. The Ambassador's reply was a definite "yes."

Fuzes, who spent three days in France during the riots, claimed that those participating were not able to explain what they wanted to achieve nor why they thought rioting was the most adequate way of expressing themselves. And, according to Kalb, a permanent social problem was reflected by the riots, although this should not be described as an exclusively French phenomenon.

In connection with the riots, Balazs spoke about the absorption capacity of French society, and whether this could offer any indication to positions on future EU enlargement of older EU member states. The discussants agreed that the state of the French labor market—which is dependent on the economy—is what ultimately determines whether a greater number of immigrants will be able to be employed, and consequently, what the level of future unrest might be.

RECENT PUBLIC ACADEMIC EVENTS

To help give an indication of the variety of academic happenings at CEU, each *Gazette* offers a list of recent public lectures, workshops, conferences, and seminar series which have taken place at the university. The list is meant to be as comprehensive as possible.

PUBLIC LECTURES

Department of Political Science

"Deliberative Polling: An Overview"

James Fishkin (Stanford University, US)

Robert Luskin (University of Texas, US)

September 15, 2005

Department of Gender Studies

LECTURE SERIES: WHAT IS GENDER STUDIES?

I. "Gender, Globalization and Transnational Feminism"

Allaine Cerwonka (CEU)

September 19, 2005

II. "Desire and Body: The American Fashion Scene"

Zsafia Ban (CEU)

"Gender, Body, Politics: Feminism(s) and Cultural Studies"

Jasmina Lukic (CEU)

September 20, 2005

III. "Gender and Law"

Judit Sandor (CEU)

September 21, 2005

IV. "Dangerous Men and Invisible Women: Mediated and Translated Asylum Seeker Identities"

Terry Threadgold (Cardiff University, UK)

September 22, 2005

Center for Media and Communication Studies, Humanities Center:

"British and German Visual Propaganda in Wartime"

Paul Stirton (Glasgow University, UK)

September 20, 2005

Human Rights Students' Initiative

"Criminal Justice Reform in Afghanistan"

Jim Rowles (USAID)

September 26, 2005

Human Rights Center

"Taking Human Rights Seriously in an Age of Terrorism"

Mordechai Kremnitzer (Israel Democracy Institute)

September 28, 2005

Humanities Center, CPS, Department of Political Science

"Expressions of Traditional European Media Techniques in the Modern Asian Context"

Hidetaka Ishida (University of Tokyo, Japan)

October 3, 2005

Department of Philosophy

"Interaction of Body and Soul: What the Hellenistic Philosophers Saw and Aristotle Avoided"

Christof Rapp (Humboldt University, Germany)

4 October, 2005

Department of History

"Fin-de-siecle Budapest Reconsidered"

Gabor Gyani (Eotvos Lorand University, Hungary)

October 5, 2005

Department of Legal Studies

"The Role of Law in European Integration"

Akos G. Toth (University of Strathclyde, UK)

October 5, 2005

Center for Arts and Culture

"Nomads as Agents of Cultural Changes"

Morris Rossabi (Columbia University, US)

October 6, 2005

Center for Arts and Culture

"Islamism and the Politics of Culture"

Asef Bayat (University of Leiden, the Netherlands)

October 7, 2005

Department of Philosophy

"Are Wholes the Sums of Their Parts?"

Hugh Mellor (Cambridge University, UK)

October 11, 2005

Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology

"Surprise! Unintended Consequences in a World of Force and Power"

Stephen Reyna (Columbia University, US)

October 11, 2005

Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology

"Regional Identities in Europe and India"

Robert Parkin (University of Oxford, UK)

October 11, 2005

Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology

"The Limits of Self-interest: Capitalist Vernaculars and Economic Moralities in Guatemala, Germany and the United States"

Edward Fischer (Tulane University, US)

October 11, 2005

Department of Medieval Studies

"The Broad Bean in Diet, Medicine, and Myth: Walther von der Vogelweide's Bean Song"

Melitta Weiss Adamson (University of Western Ontario, Canada)

October 12, 2005

Human Rights Students' Initiative

"Democracy Promotion Under Stress: Causes and Consequences"

Thomas Carothers (Carnegie Endowment for International Peace)

October 18, 2005

CEU Business School

PROVOCATIVE TALKS WITH MICHAEL LISSACK LECTURE SERIES

I. "How Business School Thinking Led to the Katrina Disaster in the US: What the US Never Learned from the River Floods

in Central Europe"

Michael Lissack (ISCE, US)

October 20, 2005

II. "Are You Pro or Contra GMOs—Genetically Modified Organisms?"

Michael Lissack (ISCE, US)

November 17, 2005

Department of Philosophy

"Williams, Nietzsche, and the Meaninglessness of Immortality"

Adrian Moore (University of Oxford, UK)

October 21, 2005

Human Rights Students' Initiative

"Death Camps in Kosovo"

Dianne Post (European Roma Rights Center, Hungary)

October 25, 2005

Jewish Studies Project

"A Scapegoat For All Seasons: The Doenme, or Crypto-Jews of Turkey"

Rifat Bali (independent researcher, minority issues and Turkish Jewish history)

October 25, 2005

Open Society Archives at CEU

"The Concept of Freedom in the Anglo-American World"

Gerhard Besier (Technical University of Dresden, Germany)

October 27, 2005

Department of Gender Studies

"Racism, Sexism and Contemporary Gendered Politics of Belonging"

Nira Yuval-Davis (University of East London, UK)

October 27, 2005

Humanities Center, Human Rights Center, Human Rights Students' Initiative

"Statistical Imagination and Creativity in the Analysis of Large-scale Human Rights Atrocities"

Patrick Ball (Benetech Initiative, US)

October 27, 2005

Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology

"Methodological Nationalism and the Biases of Migration Studies"

Nina Glick Schiller (University of New Hampshire, US)

October 28, 2005

CEU Business School

"A Global Economic Review, with Special Reference to Central and Eastern Europe"

Daniel Thorniley (Economist Corporate Network)

October 28, 2005

Center for Arts and Culture, Humanities Center

"Modernist Architecture and Nationalist Aspiration in the Baltics: Two Case Studies"

Steven Mansbach (University of Maryland, US)

November 2, 2005

Human Rights Center
"Stabilization and Accession Process as the Human Rights Clearance for the SEE Countries"
Goran Svilanovic (EU Stability Pact for South and Eastern Europe)
November 2, 2005

Department of History
"Wild West' and 'Wild Fields': Ukraine in the Light of Frederick Jackson Turner's 'Frontier Thesis'"
Ihor Chornovol (National Academy of Sciences, Ukraine)
November 7, 2005

Jewish Studies Project
"After Disengagement: Options for Peace in the Middle East"
Shlomo Avineri (Hebrew University, Israel)
November 8, 2005

Budapest Mind Society at CEU
"Mental Causation: Or Something Near Enough"
Barry Loewer (Rutgers University, US)
November 8, 2005

Higher Education Support Program
"Higher Education in Palestine"
Maher Hashweh (Birzeit University, Palestine)
November 9, 2005

Department of Environmental Sciences and Policy
"Emerging Environmental Challenges"
Arthur Dahl (United Nations Environment Program)
November 9, 2005

Department of Philosophy, Humanities Center
"Radical Doubts: The Emergence of Skepticism in Medieval Philosophy"
Dominik Perler (Humboldt University, Germany)
November 9, 2005

Open Society Archives at CEU
"Weblogs and Citizen Journalism"
Ethan Zuckerman (Harvard University, US)
November 14, 2005

Department of International Relations and European Studies
"Europe Undivided: Democracy Promotion and the EU's Eastward Enlargement"
Milada Anna Vachudova (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, US)
November 14, 2005

Department of Medieval Studies
"The Legend of Saint Henry and the Christianization of Finland"
Kirsi Salonen (University of Tampere, Finland)
November 15, 2005
Department of History
"History and Microhistory"
Istvan Szigarto (Eotvos Lorand University, Hungary)
November 16, 2005

Department of International Relations and European Studies
"Complex Systems Thinking: Useful Tool or More Noise?"
Michael Lissack (ISCE, US)
November 16, 2005

Center for Arts and Culture
"The End of the Social"
Alain Touraine (*Center d'Analyse et d'Intervention Sociologiques/L'Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, France*)
November 18, 2005

CPS, Center for Media and Communication Studies
"EU Competition Policy in the Media Sector: Current Issues and Future Challenges"
Philip Lowe (European Commission, Belgium)
November 22, 2005

Jewish Studies Project
"How Rabbis and Priests Created the Frankist Movement"
Pawel Maciejko (Hebrew University, Israel)
November 22, 2005

Humanities Center
"Diversity and Inclusion in Education: Maori in New Zealand"
Hekia Parata (Ministry of Maori Development, New Zealand)
November 23, 2005

Department of History, Pasts, Inc.
"Was the 'School of Paltinis' a Utopian Experience?"
Andrei Cornea (University of Bucharest, Romania)
November 25, 2005

Center for Hellenic Traditions
"Homer, the Most Tragic and the Most Comic Poet"
Gyorgy Karsai (University of Pecs, Hungary)
November 28, 2005

Department of Philosophy
"How to Account for Illusion"
Bill Brewer (University of Warwick, UK)
November 29, 2005

Humanities Center
"The Death Penalty in America Today"
Hugo Adam Bedau (Tufts University, US)
November 30, 2005

Center for Media and Communication Studies, Department of Political Science
"Media in Transition Societies: Eastern Europe and China in Comparative Perspective"
Colin Sparks (Westminster University, UK)
December 2, 2005

Department of Gender Studies
"With a Diploma it was Easier to Work: Women and Men Social Welfare Workers in the Early Years of State Socialism (1945–1955) in Slovenia"
Darja Zavirsek (University of Ljubljana, Slovenia)
December 5, 2005

Jewish Studies Project
"The 'Who is a Jew?' Debate among Israeli Intellectuals"
Gabor Balazs (Pesti Sul Association, Hungary)
December 6, 2005

Department of Philosophy, Center for Hellenic Traditions
"Aristotle on Dividing the Soul"
Pavel Gregoric (University of Zagreb, Croatia/CEU)
December 6, 2005

CONFERENCES

CPS
"Anti-Americanism and International Relations"
September 16-17, 2005

Department of Philosophy
"Mind and Matter: Themes from the Philosophy of Howard Robinson"
September 20, 2005

Collegium Budapest, Pasts Inc., Religious Studies Program
"On Theologies of Empire"
September 26-27, 2005

Humanities Center
"Workshop on the Geneva Initiative"
October 10-11, 2005

Pasts, Inc.
"Opera as a Place of Representation. European Opera Houses in the 19th Century in Comparison"
October 13-14, 2005

Center for Media and Communication Studies, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Open Society Institute, Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania
"RE:activism: Re-drawing the Boundaries of Activism in a New Media Environment"
October 14-15, 2005

Center for Environmental Policy and Law
"Transatlantic Initiative on Environmental Justice"
October 27-30, 2005

Humanities Center
"Religio Academici: Workshop on Skepticism, Religion and the Pursuit of Knowledge"
November 10, 2005

Center for Media and Communication Studies
"Legal Problems of Access in Network Industries"
November 22, 2005

Department of History, Pasts, Inc., Religious Studies Program
"Mapping Social and Cultural Sites and Genealogies"
December 2-4, 2005

SEMINAR SERIES

Budapest Economic Seminar Series
"Equity Culture and the Distribution of Wealth"
Michael Haliassos (Goethe University, Germany)
September 23, 2005

CEPL LAUNCHES TRANSATLANTIC INITIATIVE ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

On October 28-30, several activists, lawyers, and scholars from Central and Eastern Europe and the US working on human rights and environmental issues came together for the first time to launch the "Transatlantic Initiative on Environmental Justice."

The event, organized by the CEU Center for Environmental Protection and Law (CEPL), proved inspirational for many by establishing a vital network and spurring several collaborations and activities to further the agenda of promoting environmental justice both here in the CEE region, as well as across the globe. Several participants presented case studies on environmental injustice which provided for an exchange of understandings and ideas, and helped to articulate future work. The conference concluded with multiple commitments to strengthen environmental justice as well as to overcome desperate situations of



environmental injustice. Such efforts include collaborations between environmental organizations and Roma community organizations to identify toxicity exposure in places where Roma families live, work and play. Other projects will focus on sustainable access to natural resources and the promotion of economic and environmental protection opportunities for low-income communities. Creative options were established to build recycling possibilities over incinerator construction, involving support for the safety and economic well-being of individual waste collectors predominantly from marginalized communities.

Throughout, open exchange and sympathetic interaction of people from diverse and interdisciplinary communities from Central and Eastern Europe, the Balkans, Western Europe, and the United States, characterized the proceedings.

FULL SLATE OF CAC LECTURES AND EVENTS FOR FALL SEMESTER

This fall semester, the CEU Center for Arts and Culture (CAC) has continued its full program of events, organizing several public lectures by renowned researchers and extending its "Encounters" series, which now turns its focus onto regions of conflict around the world.

Presentations this fall included Morris Rossabi (Columbia University) on "Nomads as Agents of Cultural Changes," Asef Bayat (ISIM, University of Leiden) on Islamist apprehension over the expression of individuality, spontaneity, joy and lightness, Steven A. Mansbach (University of Maryland) on "Modernist Architecture and Nationalist Aspiration in the Baltics" and a roundtable on "The Role of Visual Culture in Representing Nationalist Aspirations," and Alain Touraine (CADIS, EHESS),

on the emergence of a new socio-economic paradigm, in which social facts are perceived as cultural orientations.

The CAC is also, through its series on regions of conflict, attempting to see how art builds bridges of understanding and points to ways out of social and political crisis. The first series of events, held during the end of October, was entitled "Cultural Encounters: Israelis and Palestinians." The series, welcomed by both the Israeli and Palestinian embassies in Hungary, presented a photo exhibition and several film screenings on different aspects of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict over the past 60 years. The series continues in January 2006 with a focus on the Balkans.

BUSINESS SCHOOL NEWS

Top Rankings

On October 24, the *Financial Times* published its annual worldwide rankings of Executive MBA programs. Once again, CEU Business School's Executive MBA (IMM) program, which it delivers jointly with three prestigious partner institutions, was listed in the top 20 overall, and remained number one for international course experience.

New Activities

CEU Business School and the IT Forum "First Tuesday" have collaborated to launch a new business networking event called CEU Entrepreneurs Forum. The Forum will bring together successful entrepreneurs with those just starting out, as well as potential partners, investors and students. The objective is to provide an ongoing source of information on all aspects of starting, funding and growing a business, with different topics and guest speakers each time. The newly-formed group will meet monthly starting January 31.

Participation is free of charge. For further information, contact Steven Carlson at steve@firsttuesday.com.

Special Speakers

Janos Koka, Hungarian Minister of Economy and Transportation, was a special guest speaker in the IMM program in late November. He spoke to a full class of Executive MBA students from around the world on the topic of Hungary's competitiveness.

The Center for the Social Foundations of Business hosted a series of "Provocative Talks" with Michael Lissack. The first topic was the demise of project management, "How Business School Thinking Led to the Katrina Disaster in the US," the second was "GMOs—Genetically Modified Organisms?" and the final in this year's series is entitled "France: Can It Happen Here?" Lissack was recognized in *Worth* magazine in 2001 as one of the 100 Americans who have most influenced "how we think about money."

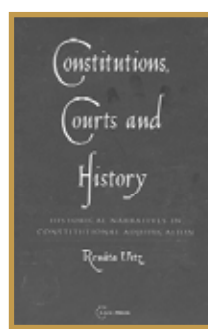
RECENT PUBLICATIONS



Stefan Messmann and Tibor Tajti, eds. *Investing In Southeastern Europe—Foreign Direct Investment in the Stability Pact Countries* (European University Press, Bochum, 2005). Two volumes, 1004 pages.

The two volumes are an ambitious venture into the largely undiscovered legal ambient of Southeastern Europe; with a focus on those areas of law which are most closely related with investments. The purpose

of the book is to give potential foreign investors, or generally all having interest in the region, legal guidelines to Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia, Moldova, Romania and Serbia and Montenegro. An outstanding feature of the publication is that all the co-authors of the book are CEU alumni or alumnae.



Renata Uitz. *Constitutions, Courts and History: Historical Narratives in Constitutional Adjudication* (CEU Press, Budapest, 2005). 354 pages.

Renata Uitz (Assistant Professor, Department of Legal Studies) provocatively draws attention to the often-tense relationship between the constitution and historical precedence, highlighting the interpretive and normative nature of the law. Her work seeks to understand the conditions under which references to the past, history and traditions are attractive to lawyers, even when they have the potential of perpetuating indeterminacy in constitutional reasoning. Uitz conclusively argues that this constitutional indeterminacy is obscured by "judicial rhetorical toolkits" of continuity and reconciliation that allow the court's reliance on the past to be unaccounted for. Her rigorous analysis and extensive research make this work an asset to legal scholars and practitioners alike.

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Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Growth, Income Inequality, and Fiscal Policy: What are the Relevant Tradeoffs?"

Stephen Turnovsky (University of Washington, US)

September 27, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Testing the Life Cycle Model of Consumption Using Information on Households Without Children"

Ekaterina Stepanova (University of Washington, US)

September 29, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Shocks, Stocks and Socks: Smoothing Consumption over a Temporary Income Loss"

Martin Browning (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

September 30, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Employment and Wage Consequences of Privatization and Foreign Investment"

John Earle (CEU)
Almos Telegdy (CEU)

October 7, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Globalization and the Evolution of the Supply Chain: Who Gains and Who Loses?"

Jacques Thisse (Louvain, CORE, France)

October 11, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Is Job Enrichment Really Enriching?"

Robert Mohr (University of New Hampshire, US)

October 14, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Fiscal-Monetary Policy Interactions in the Presence of Unionized Labor Markets"

Alberto Dalmazzo (University of Siena, Italy)

October 18, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Architectural Design and the Value of Housing in Riga, Latvia"

Steven Plaut (University of Haifa, Israel)

October 21, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Does Distance Matter in Spillover?"

Balazs Murakozy (CEU)

October 28, 2005

Religious Studies Program

"Perspectives of Research on Central Asia at CEU"

October 29, 2005

Center for Arts and Culture, Humanities Center

"The Role of Visual Culture in Representing Nationalist Aspirations"

November 3, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Admission to Selective Schools, Alphabetically"

Stepan Jurajda (CERGE-EI, Czech Republic)

November 4, 2005

Center for EU Enlargement Studies

"Introductory Session"

Peter Balazs (CEU)

November 4, 2005

Department of History, Department of Medieval Studies, Curriculum Resource Center:

"The Effect of the Bologna Process on History Teaching in Higher Education"

November 15, 2005

Department of History

"New Humanism: Outline of an Idea for an Intercultural Project"

Jorn Rusen (*Kulturwissenschaftliches-Institut*, Germany)

November 17, 2005

Budapest Economic Seminar Series

"Competition and Price Variation When Consumers are Loss Averse"

Botond Koszegi (University of California, Berkeley, US)

November 18, 2005

Pasts, Inc.

"Social History in Central and Eastern Europe: Regional Perspectives in a Global Context"

November 18-20, 2005

Center for Human Rights

"Re-thinking Socio-economic Rights in an Insecure World"

November 28-29, 2005

Center for EU Enlargement Studies

"Riots in French Cities: Reasons and Implications"

December 2, 2005

OTHER

Central European University

"Honorary Doctorate Award to Hayden White"

November 10, 2005

DEBATE ON ANTI-AMERICANISM AND US FOREIGN POLICY IN WASHINGTON, DC

On November 3, the CPS Anti-Americanism Program at Central European University and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace organized a debate entitled "Does Anti-Americanism Matter for US Foreign Policy?" in Washington, DC. Tod Lindberg, co-chair of the anti-Americanism working group within the Princeton Project on National Security, presented a draft report which investigates the phenomenon of anti-Americanism, its impact on US national security and foreign policy, its causes, and what, if anything, policy-makers can or should do to address this.

Ivan Krastev, Research Director of the Anti-Americanism Program (within the Center for Policy Studies), Tamas David-Barrett,

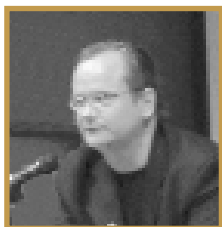
head of research of Budapest Economics and Alex Rondos, former Ambassador at Large, from Greece, gave their comments and views on the economic and political consequences of anti-Americanism. Discussion was moderated by Thomas Carothers, Senior Associate and Director of the Democracy and Rule of Law Project at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and Steering Committee Member of the Anti-Americanism Program. A short summary of the debate is available on the CPS website: <http://www.ceu.hu/cps/>.

CEU TO TAKE PART IN TWO MAJOR EU RESEARCH PROJECTS ON SOCIAL CAPITAL

Starting in spring 2006, the Center for Policy Studies will be a partner in two European Union funded research projects on the influence of social capital on development policy-making. The aim is to compare how far different types of social capital have different consequences for social and regional policies in terms of their openness and effectiveness. The Special Targeted Research Project is for a duration of two years, while the other is for a period of one year and was a successful tender bid to the EU Directorate General of Employment and Social Affairs. The combined value of the two is approximately 90,000 Euro.

Both projects will be coordinated by the European Institute at the London School of Economics and involve researchers from Spain, Greece, Italy, the Czech Republic, Poland, Bulgaria and Romania. The Center for Policy Studies will be the principal research partner; the lead researcher will be Andrew Cartwright. Work will involve carrying out a survey of social capital in Hungary, qualitative analysis of policy-making in regional development and taking part in the comparative analysis of the two projects. CEU will host two workshops to discuss and present the findings and at least two monographs based on the research will be produced.

NEWS IN PICTURES



The "RE:activism: Re-drawing the Boundaries of Political Activism in the Context of New Media" conference, which brought together leading figures from academia, new and traditional media, NGOs, and government, concluded on October 15 after two days of seminars and presentations, held primarily at the CEU teaching site. Shown speaking in the panel on Political Economy of Peer Production Networks is Lawrence Lessig (Stanford Law School).



On October 13, Susan Zimmermann (Professor, Department of Gender Studies) was awarded the Pro Cultura Hungarica Memorial Award, by the Hungarian Minister of Cultural Heritage, Andras Bozoki.



On November 3, Laszlo Csaba (Professor, Department of International Relations and European Studies) received a "nivodij" (prize of excellence) from the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the Akademia Publishing House.



On October 10-11, CEU's Humanities Center hosted the "Workshop on the Geneva Initiative" with the participation of the agreement's principal signatories, Yossi Beilin (pictured left) and Yasser Abed Rabbo (pictured right). Three panels and a public roundtable focused on the significance of the Geneva Accord today and its prospects against the backdrop of the Israeli government's recently adopted policy of unilateralism and other current developments in the Middle East. Speakers also addressed international responses to the Geneva Accord, its place in international law and its representation in Israeli and Palestinian media.



CEU's 2005/2006 Academic Year Opening Ceremony, the university's fifteenth, took place on September 23 in the Kerepesi Residence and Conference Center. The ceremony featured introductions by CEU President and Rector, Yehuda Elkana, and Vice President for Student Services, Rositsa Bateson, who also served as Master of Ceremonies. The opening address, "Challenge for Education in Transformation Societies" was delivered by Anatoly Mikhailov (pictured), Rector of the European Humanities University, originally located in Minsk, but forced to relocate to Vilnius as a result of the Belarusian government depriving it of its educational license.