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### Editorial

Dear readers,

The March issue represents a "new look" for the Newsletter that will be compiled and distributed under a new name "**Social Sciences Eastern Europe - Infoservice**" four times per year in English free of charge.

The Infoservice will provide, as usual, news on social science research institutes and leading journals in the social sciences as well as references to recent publications and information on scientific networks and current conferences.

We have introduced several new features: a focus on European research collaborations, a close-up on internet resources, personalities, background information etc. The content will be structured not according to the geographic criterion, but to the type of information.

Moreover, there will be links to the [GESIS SocioGuide](#) with more detailed descriptions of institutions, journals and networks.

In the years before we published special issues of the Newsletter with a regional or subject focus. We will continue this tradition in the framework of a new series called "**Social Sciences Eastern Europe – a thematic series**". These editions will contain short scientific essays on specific topics relevant in Eastern European social sciences as well as infrastructure information. Thematic issues will be distributed twice a year (June/December) in English free of charge. The first issue in 2009 will be devoted to the topic "National Identity".

Both services will be distributed in an electronic form only. Thematic issues will be also available as a print version upon request (protective charge 10 €).

We hope that the Infoservice will make both interesting reading and provide useful and important information to benefit social scientists researching on Eastern Europe.

Should you have any suggestions or recommendations concerning our new services, please let us know. We are looking forward to receiving your feedback!

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**Main fields:** The Giessen Center for Eastern European Studies (GiZo) is a regional-studies research and teaching center for Eastern Europe situated in the center of Germany at the Justus-Liebig-University in Giessen. The center was founded in July 2006 and profits from a strong university tradition of Eastern European research in the Cultural, Political and Social Sciences as well as in Economics, Law and Agricultural Sciences. The Center is based on a regional concept of "Eastern Europe", taken to include Eastern Central, South-Eastern and Eastern Europe as well as Turkey and the Turkic-speaking regions. Building on this concept, the GiZo aims to describe, analyze and evaluate Eastern Europe within the context of Europe as a whole.

**Research:** In order to create and benefit from meaningful synergy between the participating disciplines (Eastern European History, Slavic Studies, Turkic Studies, Political Sciences, Law, Economics) research at the GiZo is interdisciplinary and organized by topic. At present, there are four research teams focusing on: Nationalization and Internationalization in Eastern Europe; Slavic and Turkic cultures – where Asia and Europe converge; Culture of knowledge, memory, identity; Joined Section with the Center for International Development and Environmental.

**University departments:** Institute of Eastern European History, Institute of Slavic Studies, Institute of Turkic Studies, Political Sciences, Law, Economics

**Teaching:** Starting in the winter term 2007/2008, the GiZo offers a career-oriented Master's degree program with the title "Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies on Eastern Europe". This program is well-known for its interdisciplinary and international nature, as well as its emphasis on applied research. The Master is characterized by: an early introduction to interdisciplinary Eastern European research, already at the very beginning of the program; career-oriented and practical training through projects and internships; research and teaching covering all regions of Eastern Europe; the combination of Eastern European Studies with Turkic Studies and the discussion of the Turkic regions' place in Europe; focus on historical knowledge of Eastern Europe, from the Middle Ages up to the 21st century.

**Co-operations:** The Giessen Center for Eastern European Studies profits from an excellent cooperation network on an institutional level between the University of Giessen and partner organizations in Eastern Europe. The flourishing partnerships of the Justus Liebig University with the universities of Lodz (since 1978) and Kazan (since 1989) are of great importance to the GiZo. These are university partnerships in the truest sense - with all partners being familiar with interdisciplinary collaboration.

### **The Baltic Graduate School for Social Sciences and the Humanities**

(BGS) is an initiative to organise a more effective cooperation between Baltic universities in the field of doctoral education, to provide students aspiring for a PhD (Doctor of Philosophy) degree with more broad-based supervision and consulting, better access to relevant research in their areas, as well as to ensure a higher quality of feedback and assessment of their work. The main aims of the BGS are to create a critical mass of intellectual resources in the field of social sciences and the humanities in order to substantially improve doctoral education in these areas; to internationalise PhD education in the Baltic area by involving partners from Scandinavia, Europe and the rest of the world in it; to create a network of cooperation among the supervisors and the PhD students themselves in order to share experiences and start networks that would subsequently improve regional cooperation among researchers and faculty. The BGS was founded by the consortium of Tallinn University, University of Latvia and Vytautas Magnus University on October 3rd, 2008. The BGS will be fully launched in October 2009.

**Internet:** <http://www.tlu.ee/?LangID=2&action=ShowEvents&NewsID=1734>

## Scholarly networks

### **New Section of the Polish Society of Social Psychology: Political Psychology**

From many years Polish psychologist are present and more and more visible in the field of political psychology. The evident symptoms of their activity are growing number of research projects and publications, edition of several manuals and teaching political psychology at most reputable universities. Therefore, to emphasize expanding interest in that field of psychology and to provide it some institutional framework, sixteen members of the Polish Society of Social Psychology took the initiative to set up the Section of Political Psychology in April 2007. President – Prof. Krystyna Skarżyńska

**Internet:** <http://psps.psychologia.pl/politics.php>

**Detailed description** in the database [SocioGuide](#)

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### **COST Network: Comparative Analysis of Enterprise Data: Industry Dynamics, Firm Performance, and Worker Outcomes**

The objective of this new network is to enhance international collaboration on cross-country comparative research using improved data and studying the firm-level sources of economic growth and the consequences of the growth process for workers. The network is funded from February 2008 to May 2012 by the COST Programme of the European Science Foundation, and the CEU. The network brings together leading researchers from across Europe to work with national statistical agencies and to collaborate on new comparative research using large firm-level databases. The research exploits these unusual data to analyse the roles of industry dynamics and firm performance in economic growth and the tradeoff between improved performance and social costs for employees.

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**Detailed description** in the database [SocioGuide](#)

## Research projects

### **Euroidentities. The Evolution of European Identity: Using biographical methods to study the development of European identity**

**Financing:** Framework 7 Collaborative Project: Grant Agreement No. 213998

**Focus:** The EuroIdentities project will use advanced methods of autobiographical narrative interviewing and analysis to gain insights into the evolution and meanings of a European identity or identities from the 'bottom up' perspective of the individual. This will include investigating the factors that promote or retard a positive identification with 'Europe' and the European Community. The research strategy will be to target five special 'sensitized groups' – aggregates whose life experiences will have caused them to confront questions of their own identity within Europe.

**Duration:** 2008-2011

**Project partners:** The seven partner teams in EuroIdentities – Queens University, Northern Ireland; Bangor University, Wales; Otto-von-Guericke Universität, Magdeburg, Germany; Łódź University, Poland; Tallinn Technological University, Estonia; Institute of Sociology, Bulgarian Academy of Science; and 'Federico II' University, Napoli, Italy – include large and small nations that are original and accession states located both in the peripheries and the core of Europe.

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### **ENRI-East project “Interplay of European, National and Regional Identities: nations between states along the new eastern borders of the European Union”**

**Financing:** This project is supported and primarily funded by the European Commission through its Seventh Framework Program (FP7).

**Duration:** 2008-2011

**Focus:** The main goal of the ENRI-East project is to develop an in-depth understanding of the ways in which the modern European identities and regional cultures are formed and how these are inter-communicated in the Eastern part of the European continent. The main objects of the study are approximately ten ethnic groups representing “split nations” along the new Eastern borders of the enlarged European Union. The main method of the study is the triangulation of theories of identities and empirical “facts of life” through the analytical efforts of ENRI-East experts. Their task would then be the verification and adjustment of existing theories of identity formation based on the outcomes of a series of specially designed quantitative and qualitative sociological surveys and systematic observations. The project is an inter-disciplinary effort (sociology, political science, history, ethnography) and its methodological thrust comprises theoretical, empirical and comparative aspects.

**Project partners:** Eleven teams embracing more than 50 scientists from ten EU and CIS countries: Institute for Advanced Studies (Project Coordinator, Austria) (Principle Investigator Prof. Hans-Georg Heinrich, Team Leader Dr. Alexander Chvorostov); TARKI Research Institute Inc. (Hungary) (Team Leader Prof. Endre Sik); University of Aberdeen (UK) (Team Leader Prof. Claire Wallace); Osteuropa Institut Regensburg (Germany) (Team Leader Dr. Barbara Dietz); Institute of Social Research (Vilnius, Lithuania) (Team Leader Prof. Arvidas Matulionis); Moscow State University (Russia) (Team Leader Prof. Sergei Tumanov); Belarusian State University (Belarus) (Team Leader Prof. David Rotman); East-Ukrainian Foundation for Social Research (Ukraine) (Team Leader Prof. Vil Bakirov); University of St. Cyril and Methodius (Slovakia) (Team Leader Prof. Ladislav Machacek); Oxford XXI (UK) (Team Leader Dr. Ljudmila Nurse); Maria Curie-Skłodowska University Lublin (Poland) (Team Leader Prof. Konrad Zielinski)

**Geographical scope:** The main project areas are the “overlapping” geographic regions that are conventionally labelled as follows: *Baltic region* (including Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, northern parts of Poland and Baltic-bordering provinces of Russia); *Eastern Europe* (including bordering areas of Belarus, Ukraine, Russia, Poland, Slovakia and Hungary); *Central Europe* (including the special case of Germany and possible further extensions of the study in the case of secured co-funding); *Carpathian basin* (border regions of Hungary, Slovakia and Ukraine).

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### **Ethnic Differences in Education and Diverging Prospects for Urban Youth in an Enlarged Europe**

**Financing:** This project is supported and funded by the European Commission (Seventh Framework Program)

**Duration:** 1 March 2008 – 28 February 2011

**Project partners:** Center for Policy Studies, Central European University Budapest (Hungary) (coordination); Faculty of Social Studies, Masaryk University Brno (Czech Republic); Department of Media, Cognition and Communication, Division of Education, University of Copenhagen (Denmark); Laboratory for the Analysis of Social Problems and Collective Action, Department of Sociology, Victor Segalen University (France); Peace Research Institute Frankfurt (Germany); Institute of Sociology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences; Center for Gender Studies, Babes-Bolyai University (Romania); Institute for Sociology, Slovak Academy of Sciences; School of Sociology and Social Policy, University of Leeds (UK)

**Project objectives:** The research project aims to study how ethnic differences in education contribute to the diverging prospects for minority ethnic youth and their peers in urban settings. EDUMIGROM will explore how far existing educational policies, practices and experiences in markedly different welfare regimes protect minority ethnic youth against marginalization and eventual social exclusion. The project will critically examine the role of education in these processes of ‘minoritization’. In ethnically diverse urban communities, schools often become targets for locally organized political struggles shaped by a broader political and civic culture of ethnic mobilization. EDUMIGROM aims to investigate how schools operate in their roles of socialization and knowledge distribution, and how they influence young people’s identity formation. The project will also explore how schools contribute to reducing, maintaining, or deepening inequalities in young people’s access to the labour market, further education and training, and also

to different domains of social, cultural, and political participation. The results of macro-level investigations, a comparative survey and multi-faceted field research in local settings will provide rich datasets for intra- and cross-country comparisons and evidence-based policy making.

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## Scholarly journals

### Serbian Journal of Sports Sciences

**Place of publication:** Belgrade, Serbia

**Publication dates:** since 2007, quarterly, online

**Edited by:** Belgrade Sports Academy, ul. Deligradska 27/III, 10000 Belgrade

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**Internet:** <http://www.sjss-sportsacademy.edu.yu/>

**Editor-in-chief:** Dopsaj, Milivoj

**Subject area:** Research and review articles in the fields of sports and exercise sciences.

### Security Review

**Place of publication:** Belgrade, Serbia

**Publication dates:** since 2007, monthly, online, in Serbian

**Edited by:** Center for Security Studies, 11000 Belgrade, Gračanicka 18

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**Internet:** <http://www.cbs-css.org/review.php>

**Editor-in-chief:** Fatic, A.

**Subject area:** Organized crime and corruption.

### Journal of Philosophical Economics

**Place of publication:** Bucharest, Romania

**Publication dates:** since 2007, semi-annual, online and print, in English

**Edited by:** Academy of Economic Studies in Bucharest, Piata Romana, 6, 010374 Bucharest

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**Subject area:** Economics and the philosophy of science

### Central European Journal of Communication

**Place of publication:** Wrocław, Poland

**Publication dates:** since 2008, twice a year, in English

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**Internet:** <http://www.ptks.pl/index1.php?id=cejoc&lang=en>

**Editor-in-chief:** Dobek-Ostrowska, Bogusława

**Subject area:** Empirical, critical and interpretative, quantitative and qualitative research examining the role of communication and media studies in Central Europe and today's world.

### PISM Strategic Files (E-mail-Service)

At the beginning of 2008 the Polish Institute of International Affairs (Warsaw) has launched "PISM Strategic Files", an electronic publication and newsletter from the analysts of the Institute that provides long-term strategic overview of crucial international issues (contribution to political analysis worldwide, as seen from the Polish perspective). Subscription to PISM Strategic Files is free and open to all.

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## Events

### **Yakuba Scientific Session**

**Date:** April 09, 2009

**Conference site:** Kharkiv, Ukraine

**Organisers:** Sociological Association of Ukraine, School of Sociology of V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University

**Topics:** The conference is organised in commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Ukrainian sociologist Olena O. Yakuba, who was the founder of the Kharkiv Sociological School. The conference is aimed at discussing the results of current sociological research.

**Conference language:** Ukrainian, Russian

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### **"Man. World. Society". International conference on the occasion of the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Faculty of Philosophy**

**Date:** April 23-25, 2009

**Conference site:** Kiev, Ukraine

**Organisers:** Faculty of Philosophy of National Taras Shevchenko University of Kiev, Institute of Philosophy of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

**Topics:** The conference is divided in following sections: 1. History of World Philosophy; 2. Ukrainian Philosophy: Past and Present; 3. Theoretical Philosophy; 4. Logic; 5. Philosophy and Methodology of Science; 6. Aesthetical Theory and Cultural Context; 7. Philosophical Anthropology and Philosophy of Human Being; 8. Social Philosophy and Philosophy of History; 9. Philosophical Problems of Human Knowledge; 10. Philosophy of Culture and Cultural Studies; 11. Theoretical and Applied Ethics; 12. Religion Studies; 13. Philosophical Aspects of Psychology; 14. Political Thought: Past and Present; 15. Theory of Politics; 16. Practical Politology: Theoretical and Applied Aspects; 17. Political Sociology and Sociology of Politics; 18. Foreign Politics: Theory and Practice; 19. Political Science and Contemporary World; 20. Ukrainian Studies

**Conference language:** Ukrainian, English, Russian

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### **Race, Religion and Representation**

**Date:** May 7-10, 2009

**Conference site:** Łódź, Poland,

**Organisers:** Department of Pragmatics, University of Łódź

**Topics:** Issues of race and religion, among other realms of multiculturalism (past, present, and future – notions of race and religion, along with its representation in the media and the arts).

**Conference language:** English, Polish

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### **III. International Lviv Sociological Forum "Traditions and Innovations in Sociology"**

**Date:** May 22-23, 2009

**Conference site:** Lviv, Ukraine

**Organisers:** Department of Sociology and Department of History and Theory of Sociology of Ivan Franko National University; Lviv Branch of the Ukrainian Sociological Association

**Topics:** The Conference is devoted to following topics: Current problems of theory and history of sociology; Methodology and methods of sociological research; Current problems of the Ukrainian society. The panel "What is Public Sociology for Postcommunist Society?" will be held in English.

**Conference language:** Ukrainian, English

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### **Sex in the Cities. Prostitution, White Slaving, and Sexual Minorities in Europe**

**Date:** June 12-13, 2009

**Conference site:** Lviv, Ukraine

**Organisers:** Center for Urban History of East Central Europe; Wirth Institute for Austrian and Central European Studies of the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada

**Topics:** The conference will be on social control and sexuality in the cities of Eastern and Central Europe during the long nineteenth century with a special focus on the practices and discourses of the "deviant." Possible topics include, but are not limited to: homosexuality, prostitution, sex crimes, "crimes of passion" and white slaving.

**Conference language:** English; Ukrainian

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### **Inclusive Education in the Balkan Countries: Policy and Practice. 12<sup>th</sup> International Conference**

**Date:** June 25-27, 2009

**Conference site:** Ohrid, Macedonia

**Organisers:** Balkan Society for Pedagogy and Education; University St. Cyril and Methodius, Faculty of Philosophy - Institute of Pedagogy

**Topics:** The topic of the conference is Inclusive Education in its broadest and all encompassing meaning, referring to all disadvantage groups who are excluded or discriminated within the education system on grounds of disability, poverty, national, ethnic or social origin, language, sex, age, religion or political convictions.

**Conference language:** English

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### **17th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology**

**Date:** August 27-30, 2009

**Conference site:** Budapest, Hungary

**Organisers:** Central European University, Department of Philosophy and Cognitive Development Center

**Topics:** Spatial concepts, emotion, perception, simulation theory, attention, reference, problems of consciousness, early numerical cognition, infants' understanding of intentionality, memory and time, motor imagery, causal understanding, counterfactuals, the semantics/pragmatics distinction, reasoning, vagueness, mental causation, action and agency, thought without language, externalism, connectionism, hypnosis, and the interpretation of neuropsychological results

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**Social Inequalities and Migration in Post-Communist Societies. Searching for Positive Identity of Central and Eastern European Sociology**

**Date:** September 21-22, 2009

**Conference site:** Poznan, Poland

**Organiser:** The Polish Sociological Association, Institute of Sociology at Adam Mickiewicz University, Institute for Western Affairs

**Topics:** 1. Migration from and to Central and Eastern Europe - diagnosis and interpretations. 2. The social and cultural contexts and the consequences of differentiation and marginalisation in Central and Eastern European societies. 3. Is there a (ideal) type of Central and Eastern European welfare state? 4. Strategies of coping with poverty, and the social and cultural consequences of migration—the role of the state and civil society. 5. Does Central Eastern European sociology have a distinct identity?

**Conference language:** English

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**Economic, political and societal position and role of the European Union and its member states in the time of global instability**

**Date:** September 22-24, 2009

**Conference site:** Nova Gorica, Slovenia

**Organiser:** University of Nova Gorica, Faculty of Applied Social Studies

**Conference language:** English

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**Internet:** <http://www.fuds.si/files/call%20for%20papers-2009Lipica.pdf>

**Coping & Resilience International Conference Dubrovnik 2009**

**Date:** October 3-6, 2009

**Conference site:** Dubrovnik-Cavtat, Croatia

**Organiser:** Brisbane Institute for Strength Based Practice (BISBP), Australia and Society for Psychological Assistance, Croatia

**Topics:** Trans-disciplinary area of human coping with diverse challenging life circumstances, the fascinating capacity of human resilience to most adverse life events. The conference aims to advance evidence-based practices in resilience promotion and hope building. It will look at interplay of individual, family, community and social responsibility factors in resilience and provide directions for future practice and research.

**Contact:** Society for Psychological Assistance, Prilaz Gjüre Deželića 27/2, 10 000 Zagreb

**Internet:** <http://www.resilience2009.org/>

**Reconstituting Democracy in Europe**

**Date:** October 9-10, 2009

**Conference site:** Prague, Czech Republic

**Organisers:** Institute of Sociology, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic and ARENA, University of Oslo

**Topics:** Mid-term conference of the project RECON – Reconstituting Democracy in Europe (2007 – 2011)

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**The 9th Aleksanteri Conference "Cold War Interactions Reconsidered"**

**Date:** October 29-31, 2009

**Conference site:** Helsinki, Finland

**Organiser:** Aleksanteri Institute; Finnish Centre for Russian and Eastern European Studies

**Conference language:** English

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## Miscellaneous Internet resources

### Women's and Gender Studies in Ukraine

This website was founded in 2008 and aims at fostering scientific cooperation between researchers in Ukraine and Western Europe. The website provides an overview of scientists in Ukraine who conduct research in the field of gender studies. At the site the researchers are organized in topical groups such as Women's History, Gender Identity, Gender Equality, Politics and Gender, Media and Gender, Pedagogics and Gender, Ecology and Gender, Sexuality and Gender, Language and Gender, Economics and Gender, Medicine and Gender, Male Gender Roles, Gender Stereotypes, Psychology of Gender, Law and Gender, Violence and Gender. Additionally, the site provides interesting news (events, grants, calls for papers) and links in gender studies. This service was financially supported by the University of Applied Sciences Wiesbaden (Germany).

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### Comparative on-line database of electoral results (CODER)

CODER is an on-line analytical software and database tool for the study of elections and their results. It contains electoral data from the countries of Central and Eastern Europe from 1990 to the present and allows analyses of three basic types: synchronic, diachronic and a combination of the two. By inputting a multi-step query, the user filters the data, thus receiving a highly personalized output that only contains information he requested.

**Description:** [http://ispo.fss.muni.cz/uploads/EVS/006/EVS\\_3\\_2\\_6.pdf](http://ispo.fss.muni.cz/uploads/EVS/006/EVS_3_2_6.pdf)

**Internet:** <http://ispo.fss.muni.cz/modules/elections/index.php?lchan=1&lred=1>

### New Website of the International Roma Research Network

The website of the Roma Research Network will host both Europe wide research and information and regional or country based networks. This website aims to provide a forum for these dispersed scholars to keep in touch with each other and to advertise their work to a wider audience, policy makers in particular. The network will offer information on conferences/events, research and publications.

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### CEU – Specialization Religious Studies (SRS)

The Department of History and the Medieval Studies Department of Central European University launched in the Academic Year 2007 a new area of teaching and research: Specialization Religious Studies (SRS).

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## Miscellaneous Personalities

### Balcerowicz appointed IAES vice-president

Professor Leszek Balcerowicz has been appointed new Vice-President of the International Atlantic Economic Society (IAES). Leszek Balcerowicz, 61, is a Polish economist and the former chairperson of the National Bank of Poland. He is famous for implementing the Polish economic transformation program, commonly known as shock therapy in the 1990s. The Atlantic Economic Society was organized in 1973 to facilitate communication among economists across the Atlantic and to promote the field of economics globally; and to foster the intellectual development of professional economists and others interested in economics by sponsoring and publishing articles for international dissemination.

(Source: PAP - Science and Scholarship in Poland of 2008-10-15)

### Ondřej Čísař new Editor-in-chief of "Sociologický časopis"

PhD. Ing. Ondřej Čísař, Ph.D has been appointed new Editor-in-Chief of the Czech edition of Sociologický časopis (Czech Sociological Review). He follows Marek Skovajsa who had this position

for many years. Mr. Císař is a researcher at the Department of Political Science of the Faculty of Social Studies at Masaryk University Brno.

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(Source: Sociologický časopis)

#### **Olga Malinova elected new President**

Professor Dr. Olga Malinova has been elected new President of the Russian Political Science Association. She is leading research fellow at the Institute of Scientific Information for Social Sciences of the Russian Academy of Sciences and teaches comparative political science at the Moscow Institute of International Relations (University).

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(Source: <http://www.rapn.ru/?grup=39&doc=1809>)

#### **Eduard Mühle new Director of German-Historical Institute in Warsaw**

After ten years' successful activity the Trier political scientist Prof. Dr. Klaus Ziemer submits the management of the German of Historical Institute in Warsaw to his office successor, a historian of Eastern Europe from Münster, Prof. Dr. Eduard Mühle, on October 3rd, 2008.

(Source: <http://dhi.waw.pl/cms/aktuell.html>)

#### **Slobodan Antonić elected President**

Slobodan Antonić has been elected new President of the Serbian Sociological Association in January 2009. Slobodan Antonić is associate professor and head of the Sociology Department at the Faculty of Philosophy/University of Belgrade.

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