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Staff: Alpha Research team consists of 11 permanent staff and 4 part-time professional experts in the fields of sociology, political science, marketing and statistics.

Financing: Alpha Research is a private, independent full-service research agency. Alpha Research is a member of ESOMAR /The European Society for Opinion and Market Research/ and of the Bulgarian Sociological Association.

Research: Alpha Research monitors the socio-political attitudes and expectations of Bulgarian society and analyses the most significant trends. The agency maintains a full archive of all research carried out. Alpha Research has acquired a substantial experience in conducting media research and measuring audience attitudes. The agency offers to its customers an opportunity for an all-round evaluation of programme formats and media strategies. Alpha Research offers complete research cycle: design of the questionnaire, pre-testing of the survey instrument, fieldwork, logic check, coding, data entry and professional analysis of the obtained results and consulting assistance.

Surveys: Alpha Research maintains its own non-overlapping interviewer network, which covers the entire territory of the country. A local team of 235 highly trained interviewers works under the guidance and control of 19 regional supervisors. Alpha Research applies a wide array of research tools and techniques:
- Quantitative research: Omnibus, Face-to-face interviews, Telephone interviews, Online forms
- Qualitative research: Focus groups, Projective methods, In-depth interviews, Desk research

Teaching: Alpha Research provides annual qualification and training courses for its research executives and project managers. Instruction seminars are organised twice a year for the interviewers and four times a year for the regional supervisors.

Scientific institution

Centre for Economic and Strategic Research (CESR)
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Internet: http://www.cesr.ibn.bg/

Management: Nikolov, Boyko (executive director)
Year of foundation: 1990
Organization: The Centre is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation.

Main fields: The main tasks of the Centre are:
- to facilitate contacts and communications in the field of economics and to assist in the establishment of research networks and teams among Bulgarian and foreign economists;
- to contribute and take part in the organisation of public activities such as seminars, conferences, workshops, etc. in order to publicise the results of current economic research;
- to assists its members and associates in the dissemination of up-to-date news and information in the field of economics;
- to encourage and assist economic research and to facilitate the organisation and implementation of research projects in the field of economics, including applied studies, analyses and forecasts;
- to aid the publication, the dissemination and practical implementation of the results of research projects.

Current research projects:
- Does macro-policy regime change bring about change in microeconomic behaviour? Access to bank finance and enterprise investment in Bulgaria before and after the introduction of a currency board
  The difficult transition from plan to market in Bulgaria was marked by a major economic collapse in 1996-1997. In 1997 a currency board arrangement was introduced. This research proposal will seek to address some of its microeconomic consequences. The main research objective is to analyse whether the change in the macro-policy regime in Bulgaria has triggered a change in enterprise behaviour, by focusing on two main aspects: 1) enterprise investment performance and its driving forces; 2) access to bank credit by enterprises and its determinants.
- Public Finance in Transition Countries: Problems of Compliance, Opportunism and Soft Budget Constraints
  This project will examine these inter-related phenomena of corruption, soft budget constraints and ineffective tax collection. The research will encompass both macroeconomic and microeconomic analysis; theoretical and empirical work; and both detailed analysis of individual countries – Bulgaria and Romania, two accession candidates that have experienced severe cases of these problems.

Publications/ papers: Numerous publications are available online as pdf-files: http://www.cesr.ibn.bg/publications.htm
**CROATIA**

**Journal description**

Psychological Topics
Psihologijske teme

Place of publication: Rijeka
Publication dates: 1991-92
Frequency: quarterly
Published by: Faculty of Philosophy in Rijeka
Edited by:
Chair of Psychology of University of Rijeka
Trg Ivana Klobučarića 1
51000 Rijeka
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Internet: http://www.human.pefri.hr/psycho/

Subject area: Cognitive Psychology, Biological Psychology, Philosophical Personality, Social Psychology, Clinical Psychology

Headings: Articles

The journal appears in Croatian and English.

Contents of the number 12 of 2003 as an example:

**Articles:**
- Arar, L; Rački, Ž.: The nature of creativity
- Burušić, J.; Milas, G.; Rimac, I.: Determining the relationship and basic structure of several aspects of social evaluation
- Takšić, V.: Emotional regulation and control questionnaire: factore structure
- Tkalčić, M; Pokrajac-Buljan, A.; Bosanac, D.; Tomić, Z.: Assessments of cognitive status of dementia patients

Recent publication

Rodin, S., 2003: Equality of Man and Woman - Law and Policy in the EU and Croatia
Zagreb: IMO, Series Europe.

**CZECH REPUBLIC**

**Scientific institution**

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Internet: http://www.csvs.cz/_en/

Management: Šebková, Melena Dr. (director)
Year of foundation: 1991
Staff: 42 staff members
Organization: Centre for Higher Education Studies (CHES) was established as a state-funded institution by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports

Main fields: The mission of CHES is to collect, analyse, collate and disseminate information concerning higher education and research policy. It also focuses on investigating and comparing the development of higher education abroad with that in the Czech Republic, monitoring data on the tertiary sector of the Czech education system in general, and maintaining contacts and research cooperation with analogous domestic and foreign institutions, international organizations and information networks.

Research: The main activities of the Centre are concerned in analytical and comparative studies of higher education and research policy, especially in the field of higher education legislation, quality management, strategic planning, research management, funding, staff development and students’ affairs. The Centre assists in establishing national system of distance education, network of academic guidance and careers centres, in-service training for academic personnel improving their instructional competencies.

Publications/ papers: AULA - the quarterly review for higher education and research policy, edited by the Centre, reports on the latest happenings in higher education in the Czech Republic and around the World.

Events: III. National conference with international attendance Distance Education in the Czech Republic - The Present and Future "The Use of Distance Teaching in Adult Education (30th June - 2nd July 2004 in Brno)

Services: Special department offers consulting and advisory services in the recognition of academic qualifications. The TEMPUS and SOCRATES - Office manages participation of the Czech higher education institutions in these
programmes. The Center is provider of database on Czech Higher Education (created with financial support of European Commission).

Recent publications

Research reports and studies of Research Institute of Labour and Social Affairs (RILSA) in 2003

- Matejkova, B.; Paloncyova, J.: Family policy in selected European countries I.
- Vavreckova, J.: Migration Potential of the Czech Population in the European Integration Process. (in English)
- Cervenkova, A.; Filopova, M.: The evaluation of the data sources and the data basis in the area of social services in the Czech Republic.

(full-text at http://www.vupsv.cz/E-ZAKLAD.htm)

ESTONIA

Research funding

The Estonian Science Foundation is supporting the following research projects in the field of sociology in the year 2004:

- Impact of Previous Forms of Acculturation on the Contemporary Processes of Integration in Estonia (Head: Aarelaid-Tart, A., Institute of International and Social Studies at Tallinn University of Educational Sciences at TUES; Duration: 2001-2003)
- Formal and informal support networks of families in the increased risk settings (Head: Hansson, L., Institute of International and Social Studies at TUES; Duration: 2003-2005)
- Local education management institutions and schools of general education - the influencers of changes and stability in education (Head: Heinla, E., Institute of International and Social Studies at TUES; Duration: 2004-2006)
- Drug User Subcultures in Estonia (Head: Lagerspetz, M., Estonian Institute of Humanities; Duration: 2002-2004)
- Social and Cultural Practices of the Emerging Information Society in Estonia (Head: Laurinist, M., University of Tartu; Duration: 2004-2007)
- Formation of 'public' in Estonia and construction of 'public' in Estonian media 1954–2004 (Head: Lõhmus, M., University of Tartu; Duration: 2004-2007)
- The impact if the Estonian civil law reform on labour relations (Head: Muda, M., University of Tartu; Duration: 2003-2006)
- Organised Crime in Estonia: Criminological and Social Aspects (Head: Saar, J., Institute of International and Social Studies at TUES; Duration: 2002-2004)
- The differences and changes in the value systems of the cultural communities in the Baltic Sea region during 1990’s (Head: Tart, I., Tallinn University of Educational Sciences; Duration: 2003-2005)
- Prognosing multivariate missing data using additional information (Head: Tiit, E.-M., University of Tartu; Duration: 2003-2005)
- Ageing as Gender Phenomenon: Coping of Single Elderly and Support to it (Head: Tulva, T., Tallinn University of Educational Sciences; Duration: 2002-2005)
- Comparative Analysis of Post-Communist Transition Societies (Head: Vihalemm, P., University of Tartu; Duration: 2001-2004)
- Changing Collective identities in the context of Estonian movement into the global space (Head: Vihalemm, T., University of Tartu; Duration: 2004-2007)
- Alcohol and drugs as social risk factors in society of transition in the prevention of premature death and suicidal behavior (Head: Värnik, A., Estonian-Swedish Institute of Suicidology; Duration: 2003-2005)

Scientific institution

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Management: Vello Pettai, Vello, Prof. (Chairman of the Board), Chair, Department of Political
Main fields: The mission of PRAXIS is to improve and contribute to the policy-making process in Estonia by conducting independent research, providing strategic counsel to policy makers and fostering public debate.

Research: PRAXIS has developed its expertise and opinion-leader status in six main research areas, each of which has been designated as a program with individual sub-projects:
- Innovation Policy
- Labour and Social Policy
- Modernizing Public Administration and Regulatory Reform
- Public Finance and Economic Development
- Health Policy
- Education Policy

Each of these areas reflects a key public policy issue, which Estonia faces as part of its current reform process and long-term development. Together the programs cover fields, which in some cases reflect Soviet-era legacies (such as education or economic restructuring), but in other cases look to the future in identifying new growth potentials for Estonia (such as information technologies and modern public administration). It is a fine-tuned perception of what Estonia needs to keep developing during its second decade of independence.

Publications/ papers:

HUNGARY

National Office of Research and Technology, (Office of Research and Technology - NKTH)
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The National Office of Research and Technology NKTH was established on 1st January 2004 by Government Decree 216/2003 (XII.11) for managing the Government’s science, technology and innovation policy activities. It has been set up as a legal successor of R&D Division of the Ministry of Education.

The NKTH has the following responsibilities and missions:
- elaborating the government strategy in the field of innovation,
- forming the means and tools for the R&D and innovation policy at government level,
- prepares documents concerning the national science and technology policy,
- representing the Hungarian interests in international and EU S&T affairs,
- coordinating the activity of the Research and Technology Innovation Fund and to supervise the Agency for Research Fund Management and Research Exploitation,
- raising the public understanding and awareness of the society in research and innovation.

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Management: Törzsök, Erika Dr. (Director)
Year of foundation: 1997

Historical development: Since 1997 the BECMiR is the legal successor to the Foundation and Institute for European Comparative Minority Research; Since 1998 the bureau has been managing project grants of the Foundation for European Comparative Minority Research.
Since 2000 the bureau has been operating as a part of László Teleki Institute.

Staff: 5 Researchers

Research: The work of BECMIR has followed three core research directions. These are:
1. Regional innovation and the possibilities to realise the interests of minorities in border regions. The participation of minorities in economic transformation, their economic role
2. The protection of minority rights within international law
3. The situation of the Gypsy/Roma community in Hungary

The other aspects of the research work are: opportunities to employ multilingual European educational models; the role of local governments, options in regional innovation, infrastructural development and the realisation of minority rights; the participation of ethnic minorities in economic transformation; textbook publishing and the role of textbooks in the development of programmes which preserve the identity of minorities through multicultural curricula.

Research projects:
Possibilities for establishing so-called European Schools along border areas with mixed ethnicities.

Publications:
- Átalakuló régiók. A Partium, a Bánwság és Közép-Erdély gazdasága (Changing regions. Economy of the Partium, the Banat and Middle-Transylvania), Budapest: EÖKiK, 2003
- Vilmos, Ágoston: Médicinalizmus, kisebbségek és az EU-integráció (Meditionalism, minorities and the EU-enlargement), Budaest: EÖKiK, 2003;

Events:
- Media-Nationalism, Minorities and the EU-Integration, May of 23, 2003 Budapest

Journal description

Minorities Studies and Reviews

Kisebbségkutatás

Place of publication: Budapest
Publication dates: since 1992, quarterly (The English version is published once a year with the title: Minority Research: A collection of studies by Hungarian authors)
Published by: Lucidus Kiadó
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Edited by: Editorial Office
Uri utca 53. fsz. 45.
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E-mail: hamos@hhrf.org
Internet: http://www.hhrf.org/kisebbsegkutatas/index.htm
Support: The Ministry of National Cultural Heritage, National Cultural Fund, Illyes Public Foundation

Editor-in-chief: Cholnoky, G.

Subject area: Minority politics; ethnic processes; history, culture and legal issues of minorities

Headings: Studies, Workshop, Forum, Critique-Reaction, Critique-Reaction (book reviews), Review (of journal articles);


(now the year 2000)

Contents of issue 4 of 2003 as an example:
- Cholnoky, Gy. Minorities and rights in the East and the West

Studies: Nation politics in Hungary and the EU member states
- Pomogáts, B.: Vision of the nation and national strategy
- Vizi, B.: From Italians beyond the borders to Italian citizens abroad. The extension of Italian citizenship at the turn of the Millennium
- Szajbély, K.: The minority question in Spain

Demography
- Balázs, L.: Tradition-based rural demographic policy and present demographic problems – a few thoughts in summary

Workshop:
- Bereczki, A: The reflection of Estonian and Finnish nationality politics in Hungary between the two world wars

Forum:
- Kovács, A. Z.: European citizenship and national minorities

Critique - Reaction (review of books)
Review (from journals articles)

Recent publications

Paladi-Kovacs, A., 2004: Times, places, passages : ethnological approaches in the New Millennium
Papers of the Seventh International Congress of International Society for Ethnology and Folklore (SIEF), 23-28 April 2001, Budapest
LITHUANIA

Network

Lithuanian Social Science Forum is an inter-institutional and interdisciplinary network of social scientists of Lithuania established with the aim to stimulate academic life, to strengthen the academic community and to create new traditions of academic cooperation. The aims of the Forum are the following:

- providing an arena for live academic discussions;
- collecting and disseminating contact information about Lithuanian social science scholars;
- facilitating the exchange of knowledge, experience and information;
- encouraging productive academic cooperation, e.g. joint research projects, joint curricula, etc.;
- encouraging international academic cooperation.

The Lithuanian Social Science Forum is sponsored by the Civic Education Project and the Lithuanian Political Science Association.

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POLAND

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Management: Elíasz, A. Prof. (rector)
President of the European Association of Personality Psychology
Year of foundation: 1996
Founder members: The Warsaw School of Social Psychology (SWPS) was founded by Andrzej Elíasz, Zbigniew Pietrasinski, and Janusz Reykowski, former professors of the Institute of Psychology of the Polish Academy of Sciences.
Organization: In 2003 SWPS became a member of the Conference of Rectors of Academic Schools in Poland (CRASP) an association of rectors representing those Polish institutions of higher education which have the right to award the doctor's degree.

In the 2003/2004 academic year SWPS opened a branch campus of the Division of Psychology in Sopot and in January 2004 a branch campus of the same Division in Wroclaw.

Faculties/University departments/chairs:
SWPS offers a variety of educational programs concentrated in the Division of Psychology, established in the 1998/1997 academic year and in the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences, established in the 2001/2002 academic year.

The Division of Psychology comprises the following units:
- Department of General Psychology
- Department of Social Psychology
- Department of Cross-Cultural Psychology
- Department of Social Clinical Psychology
- Department of Social Psychology of Internet Technology and Communication
- Academic Center for Psychotherapy and Psychological Counselling
- Professional School of Psychotherapy
- Applied Psychology Center

The Division of Humanities and Social Sciences consist of the following units:
- Department of Cultural Studies
- Department of Sociology
- Department of Philosophy
- Department of English Studies
- Department of Political Science
- Department of Polish Studies
Center of East Asian Civilisations
Middle Eastern Center

Teaching: SWPS offers five-year Master’s degree programs in Psychology and Sociology and three-year Bachelors degree programs in Cultural Studies, Philosophy, English Studies, Political Science, Public Health, and Polish Studies. A graduate program in Cultural Studies is currently being developed.

Research: SWPS carries out research in the field of experimental, comparative and evolutionary psychology.

Research projects: SWPS participates in an international project “Comparative analysis of information processing strategies in psychological states potentially impairing cognitive functions like depression, seniority and in stereotypisation”.

Publications/ papers: The SWPS publishes two academic journals:
- Psychologia jako życia (Life quality psychology)
- Studia Psychologiczne (Psychological Studies)


New Educational Review

Place of publication: Katowice
Publication dates: since 2003, quarterly
Published by: Faculties of education from the following universities: University of Silesia in Katowice (Poland), Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica (Slovak Republic) and University of Ostrava (Czech Republic).
Edited by: Faculty of Education and Psychology, University of Silesia Grażyńskiiego 53, 40126 Katowice
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Internet: http://www.educationalrev.us.edu.pl/index.html
Editor-in-chief: Juszczyk, Stanisław
Subject area: International forum of an exchange of pedagogical thought about post-modern educational, social as well as cultural reality not only in the Central European countries, but all over the world; theoretical and empirical research in the sciences of education, sociology of education and psychology of teaching, Headings: General pedagogy, Social pedagogy, Pedeutology, The selected problems of the educational systems, Postmodernism in pedagogy, Educational technology.

The journal appears in English. The Internet website offers English abstracts.

Contents of issue 1 of 2003 as an example:
General pedagogy:
- Melosik, Z.: University and the changes of contemporary culture
Social pedagogy:
- Bielska, E; Radziewicz-Winnicki, A.: Modernisation in local communities: social and educational struggles (the perspective from Poland)
- Hudcová, A.: Attitudes and opinions of general public to foster parenting
- Hroncová, J.: The relation of social pedagogy and social work
- Stankowski, A.: Threats to the process of children’s and teenagers’ adaptation to society (sociological, psychological and educational contexts)

Pedeutology:
- Kariková, S.: Motivation and fluctuation in teacher’s profession
- Lukášová-Kantorková, H.: Teacher’s profession in the pedagogical research

The selected problems of the educational systems:
- Kosová, B.: The concept of schoolchild-centered school
- Krystoň, M.: The structure of leisure activities of the elementary school pupils in the middle Slovakian region
- Sekera, J.: Research into interpersonal relations in young offenders institutes

Postmodernism in pedagogy:
- Ries, L.: To the pluralism of educational ways

Educational technology:
- Juszczyk, St.: The chosen pedagogical, sociological and psychological aspects of the distance education
- Furmanek, M.: Multimedia and network as grounds for social communication
- Osmańska-Furmanek, W.: Integrated character of information technology and educational space
- Siemieniecki, B.: Information technology and medial education in the contemporary school
Human Resources Management
Zarzadzanie Zasobami Ludzkimi (ZZL)

Place of publication: Warsaw
Publication dates: 2001
Published and edited by: Institute of Labour and Social Affairs
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01022 Warsaw
Tel.: +4822 636 13 21 ext. 124
E-mail: redakcja.zzl@ipiss.com.pl

Editor-in-chief: Borkowska, St. Prof.

Subject area: Polish micro- and macro-economy, Baltic countries, (trends, theoretical and practical development, publications, consultation)

Headings: Articles; Communication; Reviews, Chronicle/ Information;

The journal appears in Polish and partially issues in English.

Contents of the number 1/2004 as an example:

Articles:
- Lawrynowicz, M.: The Resource Aspects of HRM in Light of Competitive Advantage and Company Results
- Melnikas, B.: The Labour Market and Educational System in Lithuania and Other Baltic Countries
- Jarecki, W.: Verification of Candidate Competencies by Way of a Probation Period

Reviews, Discussions:

Chronicle. Information:
- The “Work and Social Policy in Poland – Diagnosis and Perspective” Conference - A. Jawor
- The 5th edition of the competition for the best doctoral and master’s thesis – announcement of winners
- Results of the “Highest Quality Training Organizer” 2003 program

Recent publications
Lodz: CASE - Center for Social and Economic Research, Institute of Economics, University of Lodz

Pakszys, E.; Baer, M. (ed.), 2003: Spaces of women’s cultures in gender research
Poznan: Humaniora Foundation Press

Czubek, G., 2002: Social Diplomacy. The Case of Poland. International activity of Polish NGOs and their dialogue with government


More then Neighbour – Proposal for EU’s Future Policy towards Ukraine, 2003
Warsaw/Kyiv: Stefan Batory Foundation Warsaw, International Renaissance Foundation – Kyiv

On-line publication
The Center for European Studies at Jagiellonian university offers a lot of online papers under: http://www.ces.uj.edu.pl/european/papers.htm

Summer school
Galicia – The Future of a European Region
History – Images – Perceptions - Politics
Cultural Identities in Central Europe

Date: 15. – 30 July 2004
Conference site: Cracow, the Jagiellonian University campus in Przegorza, Poland
Organiser: International Cultural Centre in Cracow (in cooperation with the Institut für den Donauraum und Mitteleuropa, Wien).
Topics: The course will complete the cycle of other sessions dedicated to Galicia: its history (2001), culture (2002) and places of memory (2003)
Conference language: English

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser
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Internet: http://www.geopolitica.ro

Management: Badescu, Ilie Prof. Dr. (director)
Year of foundation: 2000
Staff: 17 persons

Supporting institution: The Centre was established with the support of the World Bank Grant for teaching and research of post Cold War social and political developments in South Eastern Europe and the Black See Region. The Centre brings together scholars and researchers eager to integrate within the Euro-Atlantic academic community and contribute to the remake of the Romanian international school of thought.

Organization: CGVA is an independent institute associated with the Bucharest University and the Master on Security and Euro-Atlantic Integration Studies.

Main fields: The institute is focused on research regarding the European and Euro-Atlantic Integration from a multi-subject perspective. Being associated with the University, the Centre provides expertise for the MA in Security Studies within the University of Bucharest. Since 2001 the Centre provides a basis for an advanced curricula on Euro-Atlantic Integration studies: geopolitics, security studies, international relations, Euro-Atlantic organisations and democratic civil-military relations. It is targeted to the education on strategic issues of various experts in political science, sociologists, historians and geographers and of the civil servants from different ministries and agencies.

Research: Romania's invitation to join NATO and the process of integration into the European Union generated new opportunities for study within the Centre. Main research topics are related to the enlargement of NATO and EU, Euro-Atlantic security architecture after the Cold War, South Eastern Europe security and Black Sea co-operation.

Publications/ papers:
- At the end of 2002 the Centre published the first issue of the review ‘Geopolitica: Revistă de sociologie comparată, geopolitică şi istorie’.
- In January 2003 the volume ‘Geopolitica integrării europene’ (Geopolitics of European Integration) has been published.

Events: The Center managed to open an Internet site on current Euro/Atlantic affaires.

Co-operations: In 2003 the Centre was involved in enlarging public education on strategic issues, research and round tables on the Cold War archives, research and conference on the significance of NATO enlargement, university textbooks and manuals. The Centre also intends to invite new members and to develop international co-operation with similar institutes in Europe and the USA.

Institute for Economic Forecasting

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Management: Albu, Lucian-Liviu Prof. (director)

Historical development: The Institute is part of the National Institute for Economic Research belonging to the Romanian Academy. At the beginning, there was a Centre of Planning Studies and Research, set up in April 1970 as part of the State Planning Committee. In 1977, the Centre was transformed into the Institute for Planning and Forecasting under the lead of both the State Planning Committee and the National Institute for Economic Research. The Institute for Economic Forecasting (IEF) was established in 1990, on the structure of the Institute for Planning and Forecasting, in order to facilitate the policy oriented economic research into the transitional environment and the impact of the EU integration process on the Romanian economy. Since then, the Institute has become a leading economic think-tank in Romania and all the analyses have played a major role in the decision making process at macroeconomic level in recent years. Institutions such as the National Bank of Romania, branch ministries (Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Research and Technology, Department for European
Integration), international organisations (UN, World Bank: Mission in Romania), trade unions and entrepreneurs' associations are among the domestic beneficiaries of the studies and analyses.

**Staff:** 23 researchers

**Financing:** State funds (from the Romanian Academy) and private funds (European grants)

**Research topics:** The institute carries out research projects in the following fields:

- Fundamental research - economic modelling and forecasting; econometrics; macroeconomics
- Policy evaluation - monetary and fiscal policy; sustainability of public debt and budgetary deficits; regional development policies
- Empirical and sample studies - determinants of households behaviour; estimation of underground economy and its components; income distribution and poverty indicators; trends in households' consumption structure
- Long-term and short-term forecasts - estimation of the future dynamics of the main macroeconomic indicators (GDP; inflation; unemployment; public debt; monetary base; households savings; industrial production; exchange rate; investments; balance of payments

**Research projects:** Since its establishment, the Institute's activity has resulted in a significant volume of research output, ranging from theoretical, academically oriented materials, to strategic studies, many times crucial for the economic decision making process in Romania. For example, the projects and models drawn up within the Institute served as elements for the scientific foundation of the Romanian National Program for Accession to EU (1998), of the Romanian National Strategy for Sustainable Growth (1999), of the Industrial Restructuring Strategy (1998) of the country, and of the Romanian Medium Term Economic Strategy (2000). Currently, the Institute is also involved in drawing up impact studies useful for the ongoing pre-accession and EU integration processes, providing counselling to the Romanian Government's specialized institutions. With respect to the academic activities, the IEF researchers have participated in numerous international bilateral and multilateral projects. The main areas of interest where the researchers are actively involved in are: macroeconomic analysis and modelling, labour market policies and institutions, industrial policies, regional and local development, European economic integration and microeconomic analysis. The Institute's research staff has participated in scientific exchanges, mostly with the EU.

**Publications/ papers:**

- Beginning with 2000, the Institute for Economic Forecasting has been publishing in English the quarterly specialized magazine "Romanian Journal of Economic Forecasting" (under the aegis of EXPERT Publishing House and the "Romanian Economic Research Observer", CIDE, NIES, Romanian Academy)
- The IEF publishes monthly on the Internet, on the site of Internet Securities Romania, part of Euromoney Institutional Investor Company (http://www.securities.ro):
  - Macroeconomic analyses and forecasts,
  - Economic Performance Evolution in Transitional Systems, The Barometer of the Romanian Economy, all comprising studies, analyses and forecasts of the Romanian economy
- The papers of the Institute are published in "Studii si cercetari economice" (yearly), "Observer" (in English) and "Probleme economice" (weekly), edited by the Center of Economic Information and Documentation belonging to the National Institute for Economic Research (Editor-in-chief: Ph.D. Valeriu Ioan-Franc).

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**Historical development:** The IPP is a research institute sponsored by various private organizations. The Social Policy Institute has been created in order to contribute to increase the quality of the public policy process in Romania. The main goal is to consolidate the democratic system in Romania.

**Staff:** 5 persons

**Financing:** Private funds; some of the sponsors were The Open Society Foundation, German Marshall Fund, Open Society Institute

**Main fields:** Evaluation of the impact of the public policies on the local level; Public administration reform and public policy elaboration; Political parties and electoral processes; Romania's European integration process; The political and economic cooperation between Romania and
the Republic of Moldavia; Policy recommendations;

**Research projects:** Public administration reform; Local public finance reform; Political reform; The relation between Romania and the Republic of Moldavia.

**Publications/papers:** Full texts of publications 2003 in English as pdf-file:
- Local borrowing. Regulation and practices in Romania
- IPP Mayors migration 2003
- Conflict of interests at local government in Romania
- IPP statement on Constitution revision process


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- South-East European space – characteristics and historical specificities (economical, cultural, religious, political)
- Relations between the Eastern space and the Western space
- Problems on the European integration of countries from the South-Eastern Europe
- Ethnicns, nation and nationalism in the Eastern space
- Comparative analysis on different cultural areas and on different dimensions

**Research:** Geopolitics, geo-cultures, geo-history and sociology

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- Changes in the employment and class structure
- The creation of the middle class in Romania
- Problems concerning the social development
- Psychosocial processes of the transition; Demographic projections
- Formulating and evaluating policies concerning the population and the social development

**Research:** Social structures and processes

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**RUSSIA**

**Konstitutsionnoe Pravo:** Konstitutsionnoe Pravo: Vostochnoevropeiskoye Obobrenie

Constitutional Law: East European Review

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**Subject area:** The magazine is devoted to comparative constitutional law, the analysis of global development trends of constitutionalism, and also to studies in the field of political science, theory and history of state and law, international relations, etc. In addition, opinions and expert assessments of the Russian and foreign scientists, politicians, judges are published.

**Headings:** No fixed headings
The journal appears in Russian. It contains abstracts in English.

**Contents** of Nr. 1(46), 2004 as an example:

**Special Reports:**

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**Recent publication**

Frunza, S., 2003: *Religious Fundamentalism and the New Conflict of Ideologies*

Cluj: Limes, 2003
• Sajo, A.: Accession’s Impact on Constitutionalism in the New Member States
The paper considers the constitutional dimension of the EU enlargement in the accession countries. The primary country of reference is Hungary. The article reviews the constitutional conditions and requirements of accession, including the problem of sovereignty, and deals with the unsettled constitutional problems of the new member states’ relation to the EU. In addition, the impact of accession on the domestic separation of powers is evaluated.

• Michnik, A.: A Europe for Poland
The author gives a personal vision of current trends in Polish political life in his article. He emphasizes important recent achievements of his country, in particular, the peaceful transition from the Soviet regime to western type capitalism, the subsequent rejection of total decommunization and of the ethnocentric state concept in favour of the rule of law, ready to join the unified Europe. He expects to solve the current hardships of Poland together with the problems of the “old” Europe. He illustrates these problems as well as contradictions and the novel political history of his country, recollecting episodes of his professional life as an Editor-in-Chief of a big daily newspaper.

• Rupnik, J.: Why Are the Eastern Europeans ProAmerican?
The Iraq crisis highlighted once more the choice of East European countries to follow a pro American position, in contrast to their West European neighbours. The motivation for this position held both by former communist bureaucrats and by former dissidents, is reviewed in this paper. For the leaders who grew up in the communist period America has replaced the USSR in their habit of submission to an external political authority. For the anti Soviet leaders, the USA provides an example of democracy. The paper addresses the following question: what does this pro American position mean for the future unified Europe?

In view of the complexities associated with the EU’s eastern enlargement, it would seem prudent to exercise some caution when evaluating the possible outcomes of this historic undertaking. Interestingly, academic analysts and public figures concerned with enlargement and its consequences avoid the very real uncertainties involved, preferring instead to cast their opinions, whether positive or negative, in terms of “dogmatic certainties.” As this essay demonstrates, such analyses of enlargement are often driven more by normative commitments than by “objective” standards of scientific investigation.

• Krastev, I.; Ganev, G.: Do Uncorrupted Governments in Corrupt Countries Have Incentives to Launch Anticorruption Campaigns?
Taking Bulgaria as an example, the authors consider several subtle aspects of the fight against corruption initiated by an uncorrupted government in compliance with the guidelines sketched by international financial institutions such as the World Bank. With the hope of making people more enthusiastic, the government begins a reformatory process accompanied by anti corruption rhetoric. However, as empirical studies show, the two quantities – the indices of the actual level of corruption and the indices, which measure how the population estimates the same level – are not directly correlated. As a result, in some cases, it is incorrect to mask the reforms with an anticorruption campaign because the latter may cause delegitimization of elites and the consequent destabilization of the political system.

• Hendley, K.: Enforcing Judgments in Russian Economic Courts
This article examines the experience of creditors in enforcing judgments of the arbitress courts, based on a sample of 100 cases brought in the Moscow, Ekaterinburg, and Saratov courts. Although few debtors paid their judgments voluntarily, a majority of creditors received some portion of their judgments by invoking ispolnitel’nye listy or sudebnye pristavy. As a rule, Moscow creditors were more successful in collecting on their judgments.

Feature: The Balkans: on Europe’s Fringe
• Mungiu Pippidi, A.: The Balkans between Old and New Europe
The paper introduces various Balkan states and highlights their different status with respect to the provisional entry in the European Union. Complicated histories, Muslim influence as a result of geography, different needs in European integration make it difficult for all these countries to adopt themselves to the terms and conditions of the unified Europe. When and how these countries will join the European block, depends on all aspects of policy of the applicant and member states, as well as the attitude of the US administration.
• Knaus, G.: Perceptions, Europeanization, and the Western Balkans Development Trap
The status of the Western Balkans in the face of the enlarging Europe is reconsidered in this paper. It is pointed out that the problems of the region are not principally different from those of some members of the EU but rather they are more serious. The economical history of the region is briefly reviewed together with the current status of local industry and agriculture, which should determine the European politics in the area.

• Fish, M. S.; Krickovic, A.: Out of the Brown and into the Blue: The Tentative Christian Democratisation of the Croatian Democratic Union
The authors consider current changes in the Croatian Democratic Union, a political party of the right. The history of the party of the 1990s is contrasted with its recent transformation. Still “right”, the party slowly becomes a Christian Democratic entity, joining the less radical camp, rejecting step by step the ethno-nationalism and turning towards Europe. The reasons for these changes are both internal (the party provides “supply” by key persons who modify its image) and external (the “demand” for this kind of party in the country and abroad).

• Antonic, S.: Serbia after Djinjic
This paper is about the Government of Zoran Djindjic (voted in on January 21, 2001), the state of emergency declared after the Djindjic assassination (March 12, 2003), and the development of the political situation in Serbia after the suspension of the state of emergency (April 22, 2003). The general conclusion of the paper is that Serbia has, finally, freed herself of the most difficult legacy of the Milosevic regime, although its steps on the road to democracy are still slightly unstable. The support of international institutions, democratic governments, and international nongovernmental human rights organizations is of great importance to the Serbian future.

• Dimitrijevic, V.: The Serbian Kennedy
Late prime minister of Serbia Zoran Djindjic acquired after his death a symbolic personality, comparable to that of John Kennedy. Djindjic was a modern politician, the personification of the struggle for progress and change, whose mere presence often menaced powerful interests. Never very popular while alive, he is mourned now by both those who did not approve of his actions and those who fully supported him. Djindjic introduced initial and very important changes in Serbia and partially fulfilled a historic mission, which is now left upon his followers to complete.

• Vaksberg, T.: The Milosevic Trial: Writing History
This paper, written by a journalist, gives a view of the former Yugoslav president’s trial at the International Criminal Tribunal. The author considers both emotional and documental aspects of the process and tries to emphasize their importance when compiling the indictment.

System of Executive Power in Federal State:
• Vosskuhle, A.: The System of Executive Power in Federal Republic of Germany
The article deals with the administrative structure of the German federal system. After having outlined the system of jurisdiction laid down in the German Basic Law, the author concludes that simple solutions do not meet the complexity of a federal system. Far-reaching reforms are not to be expected in the coming years even though the European integration and the privatisation of public utilities will challenge the system.

• Salischeva, N.: The System of Executive Power in the Russian Federation: Problems and Perspectives of Development
The author presents a description of the structure of the executive branch of power in Russia. A classification of executive bodies is given, both at the federal and regional levels. Several suggestions on the development of the system of executive power are discussed in connection with the administrative reform.

Legal Regulation of Lawyers’ Activity:
• Kipnis, N.; Mikhailovskaya, I.: The Russian Bar
The social functions of the Russian bar are the subject of this paper. The general requirements to the Bar are discussed together with the history of its promoting and development – including legislation, formation of the advocate class and mechanisms of the Bar’s self-government. The analysis extends from the judicial reform of 1864 up to the adoption of the Federal Law on advocate activity and the Bar in the Russian Federation. The provisions of the latter law are analysed in detail and the yet unsolved problem of availability judicial support for the people is emphasized.

• Middleton, J.: The English Bar in a Time of Change
In this article the author examines the historical background of the Bar, the division of the English legal profession, and
the processes of training and qualification. Several topical issues and problems facing the Bar are also discussed, including limits on state funding, the future of the barrister’s wig, and the development of equal opportunities for members of the profession.

Theben, B.: Regulation of Lawyers’ Activity in Federal Republic of Germany
The legal regulation of advocacy in Germany is twofold: the Basic Law guarantees the freedom to advocacy but many restrictions are simultaneously imposed on this freedom. The author reviews in detail the formal aspects of legal education in Germany, restrictions on the choice of the profession of an advocate, criteria of admission to advocacy and professional duties of German advocates.

Council of Europe:

Garlicki, L.: Independence of the Judiciary in the Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights
The jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights is considered and the “autonomous” treatment, in its decisions, of the term “tribunal” is discussed. The characteristics of a state institution of this kind are given. The Court elaborated the notions of independence (as it relates to the position of both the court and its judges within the state machinery and requires them to be independent of other branches of government as well as of parties to the particular case) and impartiality (it means lack of prejudice or bias and in order to satisfy this requirement, the court must meet both a subjective and an objective standard). Among many interesting cases decided by the ECHR, particular interest evoke judgments concerning the independence of military courts (U.K. and Turkey) as well as administrative jurisdictions in “francophone” countries such as France, Luxembourg, Netherlands.

Constitutional Review:

Malysheva, A.: A Review of Cases Considered by the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation
The paper reviews the cases considered by the Constitutional Court between October 2003 and February 2004. The constitutionality of some provisions of the code of Criminal Procedure, of the Criminal Punishment code, of the Federal law “On the basic guarantees of electoral rights and right to participate in a referendum of the citizens of the Russian Federation”, of some other Federal and regional laws was examined.

Constitution Watch:

Review:

Peter Ruthland presents the work “Elections without Order: Russia’s Challenge to Vladimir Putin” by Richard Rose and Neil Munro.

Point of View:

Vyacheslav Evdokimov, Sergey Pchelintsev: On the Principal Directions of Current Development in the Legislation of the Russian Federation
A brief review of the legislative activity of the Third State Duma is given and general trends in the contemporary Russian legislation are discussed. To bring Russian law into compliance with the constitutional regulations is one of the key trends exhibited in more than 700 laws and almost a dozen principal codes. Another direction is that to incorporate international regulation into the Russian law. This work is to be continued by the new Duma. The efforts to build more transparent and self-consistent legal system are much awaited.

Paramonov, A.; Mikhailova, N.: The Totals of the Legislative Activity of the Third State Duma
A detailed statistical report on the legislative activity of the Third Duma is given. Together with a brief discussion of the political background and a comparison with the second Duma, this analysis deduces both general trends in the Russian legislation and distinctive position of several political blocks. Both the important achievements and the remaining shortcomings in the work of Duma are given attention in the conclusive part of the paper.

Recent publication

Glišić, J.; Hadžić, M.; Timotić, M.; Matić, J., 2004: The Serbian and Montenegrin Public on Reform of the Army (Main findings of the second round of research)
Belgrade: Centre for Civil-Military Relations
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Year of foundation: 2000
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Organization: The Senate of the Faculty of Economics at the University of Ljubljana established the Institute for Southeast Europe (ISEE) as an organisational unit of the Research Centre at the Faculty of Economics.
Main fields: The ISEE's activities range from scientific research, professional work and consulting, education in the fields of finance, marketing, strategic management, human resource management, microeconomics and macroeconomics as well as in the legislation of former Yugoslav countries. Work at the Institute is directed to providing quality information and analyses concerning the development of former Yugoslav countries in socio-economic, political and legal terms
Research: The ISEE's goals of its professional and research activities are:
- the creation of and participation in networks of companies, institutions and individuals from former Yugoslav countries,
- research and research projects in the fields of finance, marketing, strategic management, human resource management, microeconomics and analysis of former Yugoslav countries' legislation,
- co-operating in common research and other projects with other institutions involved in scientific research in the countries of former Yugoslavia,
- maintaining professional links with similar centres in the Republic of Slovenia and the countries of former Yugoslavia,
- exchanging information and research results with similar organisations.
Services: The Institute possesses documentation, databases and the results of studies conducted by international organisations and the ISEE's partner institutions within the country and abroad.

Journal description

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The journal appears in Slovene, English and German. It contains abstracts and a list of contents in Slovene and English.

Contents of the issue 1-2/2004 as an example:

Introduction:
- Lah, T.: Half a Century of »Our Economy«

Original Scientific Papers:
- Hauptman, L.: Tax goals at the corporate policy level
- Cater, T.: The Relevance of the Sources of a Firm's Competitive Advantage Based on the Industrial Organization School

Review Papers:
- Jagrič, T.: Qualitative Input-Output Analyse und die Konjunkturpolitik
- Kešeljević, A.: Divergence Between Economic and Political Liberalism
- Zaman, M.: The Budgeting Process in Multinational Companies
- Nekrep, M.: Portfolio Optimization in Insurance Companies

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Subject area: transition, economic research, systems theory, leadership development, economics, education, sociology, informatics, technology, decision-making theory, and action learning.

Headings: Articles, Reflections, Comments, Discussions

The journal appears in English. The homepage contains fulltexts as PDF-file.

Contents of issue 2 Fall of 2003 like as example

Articles:
- Lawler, K.A.; Chih-Cheng Yang: Competition and Oligopoly: A Case of UK Grocery Retailing
- Beko, J.: Demand Functions for Services of Public Railway Passenger Transportation: An Empirical Analysis for Slovenia
- Novak, M.: Analysis of the Nature of Economic Growth of Slovenian Economy
- Wane, N.N.; Gathenya, W.T.: The Yokes of Gender and Class: The Policy Reforms and Implications for Equitable Access to Education in Kenya

Reflections, Comments, Discussions
- Anov, A.: Reflections on ‘Management of Global Transitions’

Jalušič, V.; Sušnik, M. (ed.), 2003: Contemporary Citizenship: the Politics of Exclusion and Inclusion II (is there a chance for
a post-national citizenship?): collection of abstracts
Ljubljana: Peace Institute, 60 p.

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Research: The basic orientation of the Faculty’s research activities has been aimed at these basic areas:
• applying methods of quantitative analysis and modelling social and economic systems,
• relations between the Government and the private sector, as well as those between employers and employees,
• creating integrated informative and operating checking structures and artificial intelligence,
• applying computers as teaching devices for promotion of teaching process

Research teams are supported by governmental or international grants. These projects have been solved in close cooperation with foreign professionals.

The outputs are presented:
- at specialized seminars and conferences organized by the Faculty and other institutions in Slovakia and abroad, as well,
- in bulletins and journals,
- as articles published in professional journals,
- as individual projects submitted to governmental and managing authorities,
- in the process of education and the publishing of textbooks and manuals.

Teaching: The complete university-type of education has been provided within the branches of Business Informatics, Quantitative Methods in Economics and Business and in Accounting and economists have been trained to be endowed

Co-operations: The Faculty is permanently active in developing international contacts and cooperation:
• international supporting programmes and foundations such as: Tempus, ACE, CEEPUS, Know-How Fund, Open Society Fund, SOCRATES and LEONARDO DA VINCI
• a selected number of foreign universities that the Faculty cooperates with, such as: Cracow School of Economics, Institute of Actuaries Oxford, Ekonomická fakulta Technické univerzity Ostrava, Fakulta ekonomico-správní Univerzity Pardubice, Fakulta Informatiky a Managementu Univerzita Hradec Králové, Fakulta podnikatelské Vysokého učení technického v Brně, Instituto Superior de Ciências do Trabalho e da Empresa Lisboa, Facultade de Ciencias Economicas e Empresariais Universidade de Vigo, Ekonomski Fakultet Subotica, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg,

Bratislava: Comenius University, Chair of Sociology. – 171 p.

EASTERN EUROPE

Data Sources

New Release:
Election Studies from Eastern Europe 1989 – 2002: Data and Documentation on CD-ROM

The CD-ROM contains the data and documentation of 63 studies on elections and
political attitudes from 15 East European countries, spanning 1999-2002. The data are prepared for secondary analysis according to the archival standards and are available with the documentation (study descriptions, questionnaires, codebooks, and information on publications) as well as background information on election dates in Eastern Europe. In addition it is possible to search the questionnaires and codebooks by using the Adobe Acrobat Index available on the CD. The CD-ROM is designed to provide the community with a comprehensive product which is a source of readily understandable and accessible data and background information on election studies from Eastern Europe.

The interface is designed in HTML format and it allows the user to browse the study descriptions, codebooks and questionnaires just with a mouse click. With the exception of the study descriptions (they are in HTML format) all documents are in PDF format and can be viewed and printed with the Adobe Acrobat Reader available on the CD-ROM. The data are available as SPSS system files in SPSS-portable format ready-made for further analyses.

The CD-ROM is available at the GESIS Service Agency Berlin and the ZA Cologne for the price of 25 EURO. For ordering, please contact:
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Data Sources
The Central and Eastern Eurobarometer 1990-1997: TRENDS CEEB 1-8
(The cumulative Data set is now available on CD-ROM)

The Central and Eastern Eurobarometer (CEEB) survey series has been carried out on behalf of the European Commission (DG X) between 1990 and 1997 under the direction of Karlheinz Reif (until 1995) and George Cunningham, in total eight surveys. Once a year the CEEB surveys have been monitoring economic and political changes, and attitudes towards Europe and the European Union in up to 20 countries of the region.

The regular CEEB sample size is about 1000 respondents per country. The samples are drawn among the citizens of the respective country, of 15 years and over. Respondents are interviewed face-to-face, in their private residences. Starting with CEEB 2 a multi-stage random probability sample design has been applied for all countries (except Hungary which adopted a quota sampling technique for CEEB 2). Starting with CEEB 5 (1994) the fieldwork and data integration was coordinated by GfK EUROPE Ad hoc Research together with regional partners, thereby replacing GALLUP UK.

The main survey results are published in the European Commission's CEEB reports. They are available at the ZA web page: http://www.gesis.org/en/datas_service/eurobarometer/ceeb/topics.htm

The raw data are made available for social science research purposes by the ZA data service.

In October 2001, the European Commission has launched a new series of surveys in the 13 countries that are applying for European Union membership under the heading Candidate Eurobarometer (initially named “Candidate Countries Eurobarometer), ordered and co-ordinated by the Directorate-General for Press and Communication (Public Opinion Analysis). The first CCEB survey was carried out in Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey and in the Republic of Cyprus. The reports are available at: http://europa.eu.int/comm/public_opinion/cceb_en.htm

The data sets will be available at the ZA in Summer 2004. The “CEEB Trend File 1990-1997” (the cumulative CEEB data set) consists of 125.875 cases and 280 variables. It is archived under the ZA Study Number ZA3648. The trend variables for the cumulative data set were chosen in an iterative selection process. The selection was based on the CEEB 1-8 data sets which contain the integrated data of all participating countries per year. Starting point for the selection process were all those questions defined as a Trend by the European Commission's Eurobarometer unit. Furthermore only those questions were defined as "Trends" and included in the CEEB Trend File which were asked at least three times (years) in identical/similar wording. Country specific questions (asked only in a single country) and technical variables were not included (except some demographic, voting and weighting variables). The complete documentation in the ZA CodebookExplorer also contains the available documentation of all dropped variables. As a result, the CEEB Trend File contains a total of 49 Trends.

The data and meta data of the CEEB Trend File as well as the single integrated CEEB 1 to CEEB 8 files are provided on a CD-ROM. With the help of the exploration tool "ZA Codebook Explorer" the meta information at study and
variable level is presented. This tool is founded on a data base and supports the ability to print codebooks, tables and graphs. First analyses and the creation of tables or graphs for frequencies, cross tabulations and comparative analyses are possible as well as several statistical procedures. Additional information on study level can be retrieved from the respective nodes within the Explorer View by opening the associated Acrobat Reader PDF-Files: ZA Study descriptions, English basic questionnaires (1990-1997), and selected original field questionnaires. Background information on the CEEB Study Series and the CEEB Trend File are available as well. Further features of the ZA CodebookExplorer are: simple and extended searches in a user-friendly manner and first analyses of the data. The analysis features includes besides other components a comparative analysis of variables and separate analysis of the integrated data sets according to country. Additionally the SPSS files are provided for a more detailed statistical analysis. Comprehensive information on the functionality offered by the Analysis feature can be found on the CD ROM.

The CD ROM is available at the GESIS Service Agency Eastern Europe, Berlin and ZA Cologne for the price of 50 EURO. For ordering please contact:
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**Recent publication**


Rose and Munro provide a reference work for election experts: a definitive text covering election laws, parties, and election results in 11 post-Communist democracies. The purpose of this book is to report the results of free elections to analyse electoral competition comparatively in eleven new post-Communist democracies. The framework in part I sets out what the reader needs to know to understand election outcomes in Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Russia, and Slovenia since 1990. In particular, it emphasizes the initiatives of political elites in creating a floating system of parties by launching, merging, splitting, and dissolving parties. The evidence is detailed in the chapters of part II, which record in prose and tables the history, laws, and election result of these new democracies.

**Contents:**

Part One: The Framework of Competition:

Part Two: National Election Results:

Zimmer, A.; Priller, E. (Eds.), 2004: *Future of Civil Society. Making Central European Non-profit-Organisations Work*. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften, The development of civil society and its broad organizational spectrum is the focus of the handbook, which is especially designed to meet the needs of civil society organizations in central Europe. The handbook’s objectives are twofold: It provides an overview over civil society traditions in the specified region and it offers practical knowledge relevant to civil society organizations. More than 50 leading experts in non-profit research from VISEGRAD countries as well as Germany, Austria, and the USA have contributed to this handbook. It addresses lecturers, students, staff and volunteers of non-profit-organizations

**Contents:**

Part I: Traditions and Perspectives of Civil Society in Central Europe
Part II: Regulatory Environment
Part III: Central Topics of Non-profit Management
Part IV: Country Profiles

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**CONFERENCES**

**Empirical Investigations in International Economics**

**Date:** June 9-11, 2004

**Conference site:** Ljubljana, Slovenia

**Organiser:** University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Economics; Public Policy Institute of California
Topics: Promoting empirical research in international trade and other open macroeconomic issues, special issue this year is accession of transition countries into EU
Conference Language: English
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser:
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Socio-Political Turn in Studying Ethnicity and Nationalism: Theoretical Problematics and Problems for Teaching
International Summer Session
Date: July 4-24, 2004
Conference site: St. Petersburg, Russia
Organiser: The Faculty of Sociology at St. Petersburg State University with co-partners from University of Western Ontario, Canada, University of California, Los Angeles, and the Interdisciplinary Centre for Comparative Research in the Social Sciences, Vienna, Austria, with the financial support from HESP of the Open Society Institute
Topics: Burning issues in the field of ethnicity, theoretical approaches to the problems of nationalism in the time of new European and World order, methodological framework for teaching and new pedagogical techniques, skills in policy making.
Conference fee: Accommodation, meals, cultural program, educational materials, tuition fees are fully covered by the Project
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Marsha Vorobyova, Project Coordinator
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The Challenging World of Business: Strategies and Perspectives
(International Summer School)
Date: August 15-28, 2004
Conference site: Riga, Latvia
Organiser: Riga Technical University
Topics: The course is intended for students of economics and/or business administration who have finished at least two years of university studies. The participants are expected to speak English fluently.
Conference fee: The participation fee including registration, tuition, accommodation, meals and guided tours is EUR 625. Scholarships are available. However, travel expenses and health insurance should be covered by participants.
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Ms. Alina Grinberga
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Announcement

International Entrepreneurship, Innovation, Growth and Competitiveness in the Transforming and Enlarging Europe
Date: September 9-11, 2004
Conference site: Riga, Latvia
Organiser: Stockholm School of Economics in Riga
Topics: Expect are contributions from the variety of research communities and traditions, first of all, management scholars, economists, economic sociologists and anthropologists, political scientists and others. The commitment to the interdisciplinary dialogue will be reflected in the keynote speeches.
Fee: The conference fee is 150 Euro.
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser:
E-mail: ibconference2004@sseriga.edu.lv
Internet: http://ibconference2004.sseriga.edu.lv/

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Gender in Russia: Barriers and Boundaries
Date: September 9-12, 2004
Conference site: Tver, Russia
Organiser: Academy of Finland
Topics:
1. The national gender and the gender of nation:
   - How is the idea of nation involved in the construction of gender?
   - National specificities of representations of gender
   - The relationship between the symbolic of gender and nation
2. Gender studies in Russian: strategies and perspectives:
   - The relationship between feminist and gender studies
   - Achievements and challenges of gender studies in Russia
   - Western methodologies on Russian soil
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser:
E-mail: marianne.liljestrom@utu.fi
International Conference on the Tourism in the Context of Contemporary Development

Date: September 10-12, 2004  
Conference site: Cluj-Napoca, Romania  
Organiser: Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Geography  
Topics: Contemporary tourist phenomenon, the rural tourism, the mountain tourism, the recovery as a result of balneary tourism  
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Prof. Dr. Nicolae Cianga, Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Geography, Str. Cîlincilor, Nr. 5-7, 3400 Cluj-Napoca, Romania  
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The Fifth Biennial International Criminal Justice Conference, Policing in Central and Eastern Europe: Dilemmas of Contemporary Criminal Justice

Date: September 23-25, 2004  
Conference site: Ljubljana, Slovenia  
Organiser: Faculty of Criminal Justice; University of Maribor, Slovenia, The Scarman Center, University of Leicester, United Kingdom, The European Group of Research into Norms, Guyancourt, France  
Topics: New ideas, theories, methods, and results of research and applied areas relating to the dilemmas of contemporary criminal justice, Gender and cultural issues in criminal justice, laws of evidence, juvenile criminal justice, victims and victimology, education and training of criminal justice experts  
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Dr Bojan Dobovšek  
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New Social Movements and Sexuality

Date: October 8-9, 2004  
Conference site: Sofia, Bulgaria

Balkans: Is Mission Europe Possible

Date: October 13-18, 2004  
Conference site: Sofia, Bulgaria  
Organiser: Balkan Parliament 2004, American University  
Topics: BP 2004 will discuss the pros and cons of the future European integration and its influence on the Balkans. Both the simulation and the lectures will allow us to approach the issue from different angles. The following subtopics will be discussed during BP:  
• Creating incentives for conflict resolution in the new EU: how can nations profit from the integration?  
• Emerging Balkan economies: tremendous investment opportunities or business deadlocks?  
• Media development in the Balkans: will the EU standards shift the region from tabloids to broadsheets?  
• Balkans in the globalized world: preserving the century-long cultural identity or conforming to the universal “dollarized” standards?  
• Corporate Social responsibility in the Balkans: still a dream of the few or already a reality of the many?  
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: „Balkan Parliament 2004” American University in Bulgaria  
Izmirliev Square 1  
2700 Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria  
E-mail: balkanparliament@aubg.bg  
Internet: http://bp.aubg.bg/bp2004/

International Conference on Journalism, Communication and Public Relations

Date: October 17-19, 2004  
Conference site: Cluj-Napoca, Romania  
Organiser: Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Political Science and Public Administration

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Topics: Mass-media transformation in the post-communist countries; journalism on-line; influence of the political factor on mass-media institutions

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Political Science and Public Administration, Str. Traian Mosoiu 71, 3400, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
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Political Rights and Free Elections
The 7th International Forum on Constitutional Justice

Date: October 22-23, 2004
Conference site: Moscow, Russia
Organiser: The Institute of Law and Public Policy
Topics: The Institute of Law and Public Policy under the aegis of the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation continues the series of meetings that are designed to stimulate the exchange of experiences in the development of constitutional review in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe. The meeting is also designed to help expand international connections and cooperation in this area of study. The first six forums focused on:
• the role of constitutional courts in the establishment and protection of human rights;
• the interpretation of constitutional provisions and its role in defining the legal nature of welfare rights and the limits of their constitutional protection;
• the impact of constitutional courts upon social policy, and the protection of property rights. This focus has maintained an emphasis upon the implementation of court decisions and the separation of powers.

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Institute of Law and Public Policy
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International Conference on Christians Aspects of the European Identity

Date: October 29-30, 2004
Conference site: Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Organiser: Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Roman Catholic Theology
Topics: The main purpose is to analyze the meaning and the roots of the European identity, the relationship to Judaism as spiritual background of Christianity and the interference with the Greek-Roman cultural milieu.

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Korina Zamfir
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Communication in the Global World. (Second International conference for young Scholars)

Date: November 12-14, 2004
Conference site: Ljubljana, Slovenia
Organiser: Slovenian Communication Association (SCA)
Topics: Theoretical and empirical research of communication in the era of globalisation.

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Breda Luthar (Chair)
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Internet: http://rcul.uni-lj.si/~fd_kom/CGWconference/call_cgw2004.html

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Beyond “Core” and “Periphery”: Towards a New Understanding of Central Eastern Europe (Postgraduate Symposium)

Date: November 15-18, 2004
Conference site: Warsaw, Poland
Organiser: Graduate School for Social Research
Topics: The symposium discusses the processes that led to the formation of the present socio-political, cultural and economic categories of Central Eastern Europe.

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Andreea Udrea
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International Conference on the Europe of The Regions

Date: November 19-20, 2004
Conference site: Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Organiser: Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of European Studies
Topics: Main goals: the purpose of the conference is to review from different points of view one of the major issues of the European continent.
More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Ovidiu Pecican Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of European Studies, Em. de Martonne nr. 1, 3400 Cluj-Napoca,;
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INTERNET

Special web sites on Election Surveys provided by the Centre for the Study of Public Policy, U. Strathclyde (http://www.cspp.strath.ac.uk):

- http://www.balticvoices.org/
  Baltic Voices gives in detail the results of the five New Baltic Barometer surveys of public opinion in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania conducted since 1993 by the Centre for the Study of Public Policy.
- http://www.russiavotes.org/
  This website gives the latest results of monthly surveys of Russian public opinion by the Levada Center. Under the leadership of Professor Yuri A. Levada, the Levada Center http://www.levada.ru (formerly known as VCIOM Analytic Agency, VCIOM-A) continues the tradition of VCIOM, which was founded under his co-direction in 1987.
- http://www.globalbarometer.org/
  This website gives an overview of Barometer surveys in: Africa, Asia, the New Europe and Latin America. It also gives links to organizers of Barometer surveys from Taipei to Cape Town.
- The faculty of Economics and Tourism in Pula offers a web-portal for Economics http://users.efpu.hr/~portal/

- Network East-West Women offers many links: Projects, New fellows, listserv, history, mission staff and access by East-European countries:
  http://www.neww.org/links/cee_nis_country.html
- The Central European University informs in a new booklet of Spring 2004 about new books

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