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Institute of East European Studies of the Free University Berlin
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ZA4054 Consolidation of Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe 1990-2001: Cumulation of PCP I and II

CONFERENCES

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Year of foundation: 1999

Organization: The Urban Research Institute (URI) is a non-profit and non-governmental policy research organization.

Main fields: The mission of the institute is to investigate the social and economic problems confronting the nation and government policies and public - private programs designed to alleviate them. The institute focuses on:

- Urban management and decentralization, including public administration and local government finance;
- Urban and regional development;
- Public service management;
- Housing, land and infrastructure development;
- Local finances and budgeting;
- Environment;

Activities/Programs of 2003 - 2005 are:

- Strengthening of women participation in public and political life;
- Strengthening local government and accountability in EAC;
- Strengthening of decentralization and local governance in Albania;
- Albanian civil society corruption reduction project;
- Decentralization and local governance in Korça;
- Tirana municipality transparency program;
- Institutional strengthening of water supply and wastewater utility enterprises in the municipalities of Vlora and Gjirokaster, Albania;
- Preparation of a manual on the service of public procurement and training modules for local governments;

Co-operations: In a short time URI has been able to build up a broad and fruitful network of cooperation with international and local organizations. As result of such cooperation and network building activity the institute increases its work capacities and experiences in diversity areas of interventions.

BELARUS

Belarus Legislation Databank

Belarus Legislation Databank "ETALON" is a full-text search system containing more than 45000 legal acts issued by the President, Parliament, Government, National Bank, ministries, Constitutional Court, Supreme Court, Supreme Economic Court, and international treaties. The on-line version of the Belarus Legislation Databank contains a complete set of laws of the Republic of Belarus, acts of the President of the Republic of Belarus and the Government's decisions (in Russian and Belarusian language only) at http://www.pravo.by/webnpa/webnpa.asp

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Management: Milos Trifkovic (dean)

Year of foundation: 2004

Founder members: Alfred Lerner College of Business and Economics of the University of Delaware and the Faculty of Economics of university in Sarajevo

Staff: 14 (Faculty), 8 (Staff)

Financing: United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Main fields: The Sarajevo Graduate School of Business (SGSB) offers working professionals a chance to build and strengthen business and managerial skills with a Master of Business Administration degree. Regardless of one's background, the MBA provides knowledge of accounting, economics, finance, marketing, management, and operations; it challenges students on basic issues like ethics and the rule of law in business, on basic human behaviour at work, on the subtleties of strategic thinking in business, and on the forces of global competition. The SGSB will also provide a specialization in marketing. Students will
develop their skills in analytical thinking, oral and written communication, and in working effectively in teams.

Co-operations: Alfred Lerner College of Business and Economics of the University of Delaware and the Faculty of Economics in Sarajevo.

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Internet: http://www.cepos.org

Management: Djipa, Dino
Year of foundation: May 2004
Founder members: Dino Djipa and Mirsada Muzur
Staff: 3 full time, 2 part time, 9 project basis
Financing: USAID, Open Society Foundation
Organization: CEPOS, Center for Social, Policy, and Economic studies was registered as a think-tank organization.
Main fields: The main aim of the CEPOS is to provide evidence based policy analysis and recommendations to guide and influence the political process and raise the application of social sciences in Bosnia and Herzegovina in the process of policy analysis and development. The main activities of CEPOS are: Education, labour market, anti-corruption, business environment.
CEPOS main program objectives are:

- To initiate and conduct independent, evidence based social, policy and economic studies and research, analysis of key issues of relevance in the context of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the countries of South East Europe, in accordance with the highest international standards;
- To raise the application of applied social sciences in the process of policy analysis and development in B&H;
- To provide education and training in all areas of social, political and economic studies, research and analysis for all interested in these areas;
- To use studies and analyses conducted with the purpose of promoting debate in the domestic and international public, academic and business communities, and policymakers through seminars, round tables, conferences, forums and the media;
- To network with policy research experts and professionals throughout B&H, the SEE region, the EU and internationally to inform the policy development process, to share best practices and support advocacy of policy recommendations;

Research: The research of CEPOS is funded by the World Bank. The Center carries out two projects: 1. Effects of the Employment Support Program in the Federation B&H: The study "Bosnia and Herzegovina - Youth Inclusion and Empowerment - Legal and Institutional Analysis" will serve as an input to the larger study "Bosnia-Herzegovina: Youth Inclusion, Empowerment and Development". Specifically, it is focused on the legal and institutional dimensions of youth empowerment and outline the extent of youth participation in BiH. 2. Examination policy in universities in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

BULGARIA

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Management: Mihailov, Dotcho Dr. (director)
Year of foundation: 1992
Organization: A.S.A. is a private social marketing company.
Research: A.S.A. conducts: Situation/response analyses, project evaluation, feasibility studies, communication research, socio-economic research, data collection services, data analyses services.
Services: A.S.A. consultant activities cover a broad range of issues constituting the Bulgarian transition to civil society and market economy such as: citizen participation, interethnic relationships, EU accession, local government, health security, access to information, rural development, business attitudes and practices, and others.
Management: Kamenova, Tzvetana, Assoc.Prof. (director)
Year of foundation: 1948
Financing: The research projects of the Institute are financed mainly by the budget of the BAS. Governmental and non-governmental organizations also provide financial aid for conducting projects of special interest.

Departments:
- Department of Public Law
- Department of Civil Law
- Department of Criminal Law
- Department of International Law
- Working Group "Conformity of the Bulgarian Legislation to the EU-Law"

Main fields: The priorities of the research work are given to the problems of transition to market economy and conformity of the Bulgarian legislation with the law of the European Union.

Publications/papers: Since 1957 the Institute has been publishing the periodical "Pravna misal". In 1998 the Institute started again to publish "Scientific/Legal Works/Studies of the Institute for Legal Studies" (previously called "Bulletin of the Institute for Legal Studies")

Co-operations: The Institute cooperates with academic institutions from many countries. It has bilateral agreements with the Institute for Advanced Legal Studies at London University and with the Institute for State and Law at the Russian Academy of Sciences. It organizes conferences and workshops in collaboration with American universities and the German Foundation for Legal Cooperation working on different joint research projects, financed by the European Union, TEMPUS, NATO, German Research Foundation, etc.

CROATIA

Recent publication
Zagreb: Institute for International Relations. – 193 p., (Culturelink joint publications series ; 7)
various forms of occasional lectures and seminars for Roma general public.


Antropoweb
Link: http://www.antropologie.zcu.cz
Geographical Coverage: Czech Republic
Subject: Anthropology
Description: Antropoweb is an internet-portal, which is developed under the guaranty of Department of Anthropology of the Faculty of Art, West bohemian University in Pilsen (Pizen). Its primary aim is to popularise in the Czech intellectual milieu the rather new scientific discipline - cultural and social anthropology. Antropoweb has started three years ago as a student project presenting first of all photography. It became very popular among the students and continued to develop as a communication tool within the department. Its basic function is to enlarge the sources for the study of the discipline and to be a supplement to the university lessons, to introduce social and cultural anthropology to the broader public and to be a discussion forum for the discipline. Last but not last test is to offer an elaborated guide of links. Now the editorial board started to publish there seminary works, BA and MA theses. Antropoweb is the first Czech social science server with the possibility of on-line discussion. It became a forum for good professional and student's articles and an online discussion about these articles, for book reviews, on-line stock market for teaching texts. The virtual library is under development.

Language: Czech
Access: Free

Recent publications

English studies of Institute of Sociology of Czech Academy of Sciences in 2004:

Kostelecky, T.; Cermak, D.: Metropolitan Areas in the Czech Republic – Definitions, Basic Characteristics, Patterns of Suburbanisation and Their Impact on Political Behaviour
Prague: Sociological Studies; 04/03

Vecernik, J.: Structural Tensions in the Interface between the Labour Market and Social Policy in the Czech Republic
Prague: Sociological Studies; 04/04

Estonia

Journal of Baltic Studies
Place of publication: Tartu
Publication dates: quarterly
Published by: The Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies
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Internet: http://www.balticstudies-aabs.lanet.lv/f-rightcenter/journal.html
Editor-in-chief: Kasekamp, Andres
Subject area: Political, social, economic, and cultural life of the Baltic Sea region.
Headings: Articles; Short Contributions; Reviews.
The journal is published in English.

Contents of Volume XXXVI, Number 1, Spring 2005 as an example:

Articles
• Kirss, T.: Survivorship and the Eastern Exile: Estonian Women's Life Narratives of the 1941 and 1949 Siberian Deportations
• Avižienis, V.: Mediated and Unmediated Access to the Past: Assessing the Memoir as Literary Genre
• Davoliūtė, V.: Deportee Memoirs and Lithuanian History: The Double Testimony of Dalia Grinkevičiūtė
• Sebre, S.: Political and Relational: Autobiographical Narrations of Latvian Women across Three Generations
• Matiss, I. A.: Co-creating Life Histories
• Matiss, I. A.: Revisiting Second-Generation Latvian-Canadian Women's Stories About Lives in Changing Contexts

Reviews
• Sigrid Rausing: History, Memory, and Identity in Post-Soviet Estonia: The End of a Collective Farm. (Toomas Gross)
• Anu Mai Köll (Ed.): The Baltic Countries under Occupation: Soviet and Nazi Rule 1939-1991. (Olaf Mertelsmann)
Family and social Policy and to execute research organisation;
- To elaborate the data necessary for the Ministry for Family and Social Affairs and to prepare them for analyses. The research is carried out in the following fields:
- Situation of basic services, denominated in the Law for Child-protection and Social Affairs;
- Investigation on the functioning of the child-welfare system relating to the homes of children of the age of 0 – 3;
- Research concerning the realisation of the programmes of family policy purpose;
- International research on “Work of care from the services provided for small children up to the services provided for old people”;
- Research on follow-up care given to young adults, come of age and got out from child-protection system;
- Survey on the institutional system of care for homeless people and on some groups of homeless people;

Publications/ papers: Annual yearbook „Kapocs”, Series „Kapocs” and „Periferia” - Textbooks for professional courses.

Teaching: The institute provides training of professionals in child protection etc. and further courses.

Events: Conferences “Cooperation between educational institutions and practice” (Apr. 2005)

Co-operations: European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research - Affiliated to the United Nations (Wien, Austria), Social Care Institute for Excellence (London), Netherlands Institute of Care and Welfare - International Centre, Bratislava International Centre for Family Studies;

Library: Department of Library, Publishing and Distribution of Books.

Journal description

Journal of Cultural and Evolutionary Psychology

Place of publication: Pécs
Publication dates: since 2003, quarterly
Published by: Academy Publishing House
Edited by: Institute of Psychology at the University of Pécs
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Internet: http://www.akkrt.hu/kerdesek/reszletes_hjour.jsp?id=256
Editor-in-chief: László, J.
Subject area: Theoretical and empirical studies in the fields of cultural psychology and evolutionary psychology. The studies are aimed at investigating generation and transmission of cultural meaning from an evolutionary perspective, or analysing the role of culture in performing evolutionary tasks.

Contents of 3 (2005) 1 as an example:

Articles:
- Dunbar, I. M. R.: Why are Good Writers so rare? An Evolutionary Perspective on Literature
- Easterlin, N.: How to Write the Great Darwinian Novel: Cognitive Predispositions, Cultural Complexity, and Aesthetic
- Nettle, D.: The Wheel of Fire and the Mating Game: Explaining the Origins of Tragedy and Comedy
- Stiller, J.; Hudson, M.: Weak Links and Scene Cliques Within the Small World of Shakespeare
- Matthews, P.; Barrett, L.: Small-Screen Social Groups: Soap Operas and Social Networks
- Steen, F. F.: The Paradox of Narrative Thinking

Online publication
Regio archive also offers to the issues 2000, 2002, 2003. (full text, pdf.)

Recent publications
Fazekas, Karoly; Koltay, Jenö, 2004: The Hungarian Labour Market 2004
Budapest: Academy of Sciences, Institute of Economics
Mihaylova, D., 2004: Social capital research can encourage institutional and policy innovation in Central and Eastern Europe
Budapest: Central European University (PDF-file: http://www.ceu.hu/cps/pub/pub_polstud_soccap.pdf)

Research projects
The Latvian Council of Science (http://www.lzp.lv/centr.htm) financed in 2004 the following research projects:

Sociology
- Meņšikovs, V.: Sociological problems of urban area (Daugavpils University)
- Zobena, A.: Institutional environment of sustainable agricultural development (Latvian University of Agriculture)
- Putnina, A.: National oral history: identity and integration (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, University of Latvia)
- Rungule, R.: Youth integration into Latvian society (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, University of Latvia)
- Tisenkopfs, T.: Agency research in collective action: Integrated rural and regional development in Latvia (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, University of Latvia)
- Vēbers, E.: Ethnic relations in Latvia as member of the European Union (Institute of...
Philosophy and Sociology, University of Latvia
- Štečenko, A.: Quality of life in the gerontological institutions of Latvia (University of Latvia)
- Kristapsons, J.: Problems of innovative development and creation of new technologies in Latvia (Latvian Academy of Sciences)
- Puga, A.: Latvia towards the Knowledge Societies of Europe: new options for entrepreneurship and employment achieving the goals of the Lisbon strategy (Banking College of Higher Education)
- Ozolzile, G.: Training of young engineers and labour market in Latvia (Riga Technical University)

Psychology
- Guseva, S.: Professional identification in the period of self-determination of adolescence in Latgale region (Daugavpils University)
- Makarevičs, V.: Tolerance in cross-cultural context (Daugavpils University)
- Vorobjovs, A.: Psychological concepts of Latvia and Europe of Latgalian inhabitants (Daugavpils University)
- Austers, I.: Socio-cognitive aspects of journalistic judgments: Mass media representation of issues which polarize society (University of Latvia)
- Igonins, D.: Development of the model of the lexicon representation in memory (University of Latvia)
- Martinsone, K.: Psychic reality reflection in language in students and teachers of different specialities (University of Latvia)
- Miezite, S.: Longitudinal study of University of Latvia student adaptation and achievement and piloting of student support programmes (University of Latvia)
- Rascevska, M.: Relationships among practical, analytic and creative intelligence at the age of 18 to 30 (University of Latvia)
- Renge, V.: Social representations of science in the contemporary Latvian society (University of Latvia)
- Sebre, S.: Parent–child relations and attachment style representations in children’s stories and drawings (University of Latvia)
- Tunne, I.: Emotional, intellectual and social processes in cognitive activity and quality of education (University of Latvia)
- Vidnere, M.: Role of ethno communicative competence (ECC) of a personality in the development of cross-cultural relations (University of Latvia)
- Bebre, R.: Creativity as a process and a feature of personality (Riga Teacher Training and Educational Management Academy)
- Ivanova, N.: The specific of the individual's concept of the self-realisation possibilities and about oneself in the multicultural society (adolescence and adulthood) (International Higher School of Practical Psychology)

LITHUANIA

Social Sciences
Socialiniai Mokslai

Place of publication: Kaunas
Publication dates: since 1994, 4 to 6 volumes annually
Published by: Kaunas University of Technology
Edited by: Institute of Educational Studies, Kaunas University of Technology
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44239 Kaunas
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Editor-in-chief: Jučevičienė, Palmira Prof.
Subject area: Social sciences
Headings: None

The journal appears in English. The table of contents and abstracts can be found on the homepage

Contents of No. 4 (46), 2004 as an example:
Factors and Preconditions of the Learning City Development:
- Jučevičius, G.: The Socio-Economic Preconditions for the Emergence of the Innovative City
- Janiūnaitė, B.; Cibulskas, G.; Kriaucioniénė, M.; Almonaitienė, J.; Tumėnienė, V.: Manifestation of Citizens' Innovative Culture Features in the Context of Learning Cities Development

People and Learning Environments: Search for Problems and Solutions:
- Stanikūnienė, B.; Jučevičienė, P.: The Peculiarities of Learning from Experience: the Dimension of Individual's Inner Potential
• Simonaitienė, B.; Leonavičienė, R.; Žvirdauskas, D.: Manifestation of Leader's Communicative and Educational Abilities as a Premise for Learning Organisation Development
• Jucevičienė, P.: Learning in Partnership Networks and Their Research Methodology
• Štuopytė, E.: Revelation of the Factors for Permanent Learning of Socially Excluded Groups: Results of Focus Group Reflection

MACEDONIA

Macedonian Scientific institution

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**Management:** Ruzin, N. Dr. (head)
**Year of foundation:** 1984
**Staff:** 11 members (of them 7 researchers)

**Organization:** The Institute is also member of the European Association of Schools of Social Work as well as International Network of School Social Work.

**Departments/research groups/centres/working groups:**
- National Center for Training in Social Development;
- Resource Center for Street Children/Children on the Street;
- Association for support and protection of children and families at risk - “Happy Childhood”.

**Main fields:** The Institute is actively involved in teaching and research activities and offers undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.

**Research:** The research activity at the Institute spans throughout all fields of social policy and social work. Institute staff is engaged in research and consultancy activities in the fields of: Social Welfare: Protection of children and families at risk; Street children/children on the streets; Social status of Roma population; Educational and social services for elderly etc.; Social Policy: Europeanization of social policies on regional and national social policies, Poverty reduction analyses, Pension reforms, etc.; and Social Work: Supervision in Social Work, System approach in social work, Mapping of local capacities for social development.

**Co-operations:** Important part of the Institute’s work is cooperation with other academic, governmental and non-governmental organizations. Many of the academic cooperation’s established have had an important influence on staff’s and students professional development. Some of the most prominent cooperation’s include: On academic level: Nordrhein-Westfalen University of Applied Sciences (Paderborn Branch, Germany); Department of Social Pedagogy of the University of Lodz, European Faculty of Applied Sciences "Alice Salomon" in Berlin, Germany; SWEBIH project (academic cooperation between Social Work faculties in Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia, Serbia and Sweden); European Institute of Social Services – University of Kent, Canterbury, England; Institute for sociological, political and judicial research in Skopje, Economic Institute in Skopje, etc.

POLAND

Polish Scientific institution

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**Year of foundation:** 2003
**Financing:** The majority of funding for International Institute for the Study of Culture and Education (IISCE) is provided by the University of Lower Silesia. Most of institute’s activities are supported by grants from the European Union, private foundations and university funds.

**Organization:** The IISCE is an interdepartmental academic and research institute located at a non-public institution of higher education.

**Main fields:** The IISCE aims to establish an international network of academics, non-profit practitioners, and teachers who collaborate across disciplinary, professional, and national boundaries to foster the culture of pluralism and
diversity that is critical to participative democracy and a thriving civil society in East-Central Europe. Through its fellowships, trainings, seminars, conferences, publications and grant programs IISCE aims to bring together a unique constellation of educational professionals and public actors and together with them work toward bridging the gaps dividing the academic network and educational practice. IISCE responds to the processes of transnational integration with projects that increase international mobility, intercultural understanding and citizen participation through education. Its activities include research projects in education, anthropology and sociology, training workshops for teachers, language courses, public lectures, building of collaborative networks and consortia with foreign universities, organization of study programs for foreign students in the city of Wroclaw and the dissemination of information through a mailing list and a website. The institute contributes to the building of the culture of pluralism and diversity that is critical to participative democracy and a thriving civil society in East-Central Europe.

The work of IISCE holds three key objectives:

- To strengthen pluralistic democratic culture and civil society in East and Central Europe;
- To promote international collaboration between scholars and practitioners from Eastern Europe and other parts of the world in the area of research and education;
- To systematically work toward bridging the gap dividing the academic sphere and educational practice.

Services: An important feature of the work of IISCE is an interactive website. The website is divided into several sections, which include both generally accessible public part and several private password-protected sites.

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**Journal description**

**European Spatial Research and Policy**

**Place of publication:** Łódź  
**Publication dates:** annually (one volume consisting of two issues)  
**Published by:** University of Łódź, Poland; University of Groningen, The Netherlands; Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic; University of the West of England, Bristol, UK  
**Edited by:** Department of the Built Environment and Spatial Policy, University of Łódź  
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**Editor-in-chief:** Marszal, Tadeusz  
**Subject area:** European Spatial Research and Policy is an international review concerned with the problems of social and economic space organisation at a local, regional and supranational level. The journal comprising both theoretical and empirical aspects of spatial analyses is aimed at academics, policy-makers and practitioners interested in a broad range of spatial development in contemporary Europe. Its main areas of interest include i.e. regional policy, spatial planning, European integration processes, locational studies, labour market developments, foreign investments, environmental problems and other crucial issues influencing the shape of contemporary and future European space. The journal is an important forum for international exchange of information and opinions in the field of spatial studies.

**Headings:** Articles, Reports, Book Reviews  
The journal appears in English.

**Contents of issue 2, 2004 as an example:**

**Articles:**
- Daviet, S.: The European Coal Industry and the Green Paper: A New Deal  
- Lamprecht, M.: Small Towns and Development of Rural Areas – the Case of the Voivodship of Łódź  

**Review, Articles and Reports:**
- Young, C.: From Place Promotion to Sophisticated Place Marketing Under Post-socialism: the Case of CzechInvest  
- Viturka, M.: Evaluation of Development Position of Czech Regions in the Context of the EU Territory  
- Cristescu, J.: Regional Structuring in Romania, a Relevant Agent of Change?  
- Aksoylu, S.: Evaluation of environmental Policies in Terms of Sustainable Development in Turkey  

**Book Reviews**
Recent publications

English Publications of Stefan Batory Foundation, Warsaw in 2004:


ROMANIA

Scientific institution

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Management: Mureșanu, Camil Prof. (director)
Year of foundation: 1975

Historical development: The Department of Socio-Human Studies is the successor of important research institutes, such as:

- The Institute of Experimental Psychology, founded in 1922 by Florian Ștefânescu-Goangă;
- The department of philosophy of Cluj research branch, which was founded in 1949;
- The psychology department of Cluj research branch, founded in 1964;
- The psychology department from the Institute of Pedagogical Sciences founded in 1964;
- The department of Social Sciences from Cluj-Napoca which was founded in 1969;
- The juridical sciences department from the Center of Social Sciences, Cluj-Napoca;

The research institutes mentioned suffered significant structural changes. In 1975, they were reunited under the name of the Center for Social Sciences of the University „Babeș-Bolyai”. From April 1990 until January 2002, they formed the Institute of Socio-Human Sciences, as a research institute within the Romanian Academy. The current name of the institute has been used since February 2002.

Organization: The Department of Socio-Human Studies contains several sections: psychology, sociology, philosophy, law and economics.

Research:

In psychology: educational psychology, cognitive psychology, social psychology with the research projects:

- Psychological mechanisms of individual autonomy at the age of adolescence (15-19 years of age)
- The relation between the expression of artistic personality in decoding cognitive psychological mechanisms

In sociology: history of sociology, sociology and the anthropology of human communities, development sociology, rural sociology, socio-anthropology with the research project:

- The identity transformations and attitudes regarding the change in the Transylvanian rural space

In philosophy: the history of the Romanian philosophy, contemporary francophone philosophy, phenomenology, hermeneutics, post-modernisms, contemporary philosophy of science with the research projects:

- Historicity and configuration in universal contemporary philosophy;
- Romanian Philosophy in Transylvania in original texts. I. The modern times;

In the field of economical and judicial sciences the interests are: internal and international commerce and intellectual property with the research projects:

- Money and prices in the world of contemporary business;
- The judicial regime of commercial merchandise transports in Romania;
- The rights of the author – contemporary facts and perspectives;

Publications/ papers: In the last 2 years the departments published 8 books and 100 articles (in Romanian and French).

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The Public Policy Centre was established as a program of the Open Society Foundation, Romania, and functioned as a non-registered independent think thank. Based on a decision made by the Board of the Open Society Foundation Romania in 2002, the Centre was re-launched, in 2003, as an independent, non-profit, non-partisan organization.

Main fields: The mission of the Public Policy Centre is to contribute to the improvement of public policy by conducting independent research, enhancing the information flow, and facilitating policy debate among various policy stakeholders.

To achieve this mission, the Centre has set the following objectives:

- To facilitate, develop and make available research and analysis on various policy issues;
- To promote and support the transfer of information, know-how and expertise regarding the policy making process;
- To initiate, develop and facilitate partnerships for the improvement of policy practice;
- To develop and support actions encouraging direct citizen participation in policy-making.

Research: The Centre works on developing the following initiatives and programs:

- Research Centre - the aim of this initiative is to aid the development of research capacity of young researchers. The center seeks to set up a depository of materials and statistical data, and provide expertise to conduct independent research.
- Policy Awareness Program - this program seeks to help citizens understand the policy environment as well as its impact on their life. Within this program it plans to organize various awareness actions and public campaigns.
- Policy Research - dedicated to the development of policy research by the Public Policy Centre. Currently, it is undertaking a research on the impact of labour migration on the development perspectives of source regions. Research results will be available from December 2003.
- Policy Seminars and Workshops - dedicated to bring together a wide range of policy stakeholders to discuss current policy issues and explore possible ways of addressing existing challenges.

The Levada-Centre - one of the largest research organizations in Russia - carries out a wide spectrum of social, political, economic and marketing studies on the basis of public opinion surveys (face-to-face interviews, telephone interviews, mailed questionnaires), expert and elite surveys and other sociological methods. The Levada-Centre conducts research in the following fields: commodity markets and services: consumer behaviour; standard of living; political attitudes: elections, trust to institutes of authority; education; culture; international relations, etc.

Surveys: Some results of the surveys by the Levada Center are available in English at http://www.russiavotes.org.

Publications: In cooperation with the Interdisciplinary Academic Centre of Social Sciences (Intercenter) the Levada-Centre publishes the journal "Bulletin of Public Opinion".

Co-operations: The Levada-Centre cooperates with 67 regional research centers in Russia well
as with public opinion centres in the CIS and Baltic countries.

**Scientific institution**

GORTIS - Marketing Research and Consulting (GMRC)

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Management: Kanaev, Dmitrij (director)
Year of foundation: 1991
Staff: 8

Main fields: Market research and opinion polls; Support and consultancy for informed corporate decision-making; Media research & Advertising efficiency analysis.

Research topics: Main research topics are:
- Market assessment for various goods and services;
- Competition evaluation in different market sectors;
- Analysis of consumer preferences and consumer group purchase behaviour for various types of goods and services;
- Analysis of social issues and political preferences;
- Market pricing analysis;
- Corporate image studies; Investment risk assessment and project performance forecasting;
- Strategic market planning and substantiation for various goods and services;
- Private investment behaviour and securities purchase motivation studies;
- Market and business forecasting;
- Advertising efficiency appraisal; Test advertising;
- Advertising analysis by customer business category; evaluation of competitors' advertising effort;
- Analysis of advertising impact on various consumer groups; targeted audience definition; Assessment of public sentiments and published information.

GORTIS - Marketing Research and Consulting also provides consultancy and brief analytical evaluations.

**Scientific network**

Moscow Public Science Foundation (MPSF)

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Internet: http://www.mpsf.org/

Management: Benevolensky, Vladimir (president)
Year of foundation: 1991

Main fields: MPSF enables innovation and facilitates progress in the area of the humanities, social and political knowledge. MPSF is a methodology and resource center for experts and organizations promoting reforms in the following areas: higher education, retraining and advance training of personnel; research and development in social sciences; NGO community; local government and municipal management. Regional participation at all stages of development and delivery of programs is sought consistently also as an important instrument promoting equal opportunity.

Tasks: Organizing and managing open grant competitions; managing competitive fellowship programs providing access to advanced foreign experience; Facilitating institution building and institutional strengthening of NGOs; Developing and promoting venture projects, identifying partners and donors for their implementation. Introducing information technologies; Facilitating a free flow and exchange of scholarly concepts and studies; developing packages of technical assistance.

**Journal description**

Journal of Social Policy Studies

Place of publication: Saratov
Publication dates: twice a year
Published and edited by: Russian Society of Sociologists, Centre of Social Policy and Gender Studies
Polytehnicheskaya, 77
410054 Saratov
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Internet: http://www.jsps.ru/eng/index.php

Editor-in-chief: Elena Yarskaya-Smirnova, Pavel Romanov

Subject area: Different aspects of social policy in Russia and abroad, macro perspective of national and international social policy. The JSPS publishes major articles, disciplinary review essays, book reviews, and special
sections, which involve various aspects of social policy including associated teaching and learning issues.

The journal appears in Russian. The journal takes on the responsibility of translations from English into Russian.

**Contents** of vol. 2, Nr. 3, 2004 as an example:

**Articles:**
- Nikitin, V.; Medvedeva, G.: Directions and Problems of the Development of Social Education in Contemporary Russia
- Yarskaia, V.: Existential Meanings and Civil Perspectives of Social Education
- Dam, K. van: Some Specifics of Social Work Education in Nijmegen, the Netherlands
- Shardlow, S.M.: Tension and Conflicts in Social Work Education Across the United Kingdom

**Book reviews**

**SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO**

**Journal description**

**Habitus**

**Place of publication:** Novi Sad  
**Publication dates:** quarterly  
**Published and edited by:** Center for Multiculturalism Novi Sad  
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21000 Novi Sad  
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**Fax:** +38121 282 41  
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**Internet:** http://www.cmk.org.yu/linkovi/habitus/index.html

**Editor-in-chief:** Lošonc, A. (director)  
**Subject area:** Economic, political and cultural lines of different types of multiculturalism, multiculturalism in the East-European region

**Contents** of Issue 2 as an example:

**Views:**
- Kis, J.: Nation building and beyond
- Dimitrijević, N.: Constitutional democracy or how to prevent the rule of the people

**Past and present:**
- Pászka, I.: Dimensions of the meaning of Central-Europe
- Codagnone, C.: The new nationalities policy and the new idea of a national community in Russia

**Transitions:**
- Béla, G.; Böhle, D.: Development paths on Europe's Periphery: Hungary's and Poland's Return to Europe Compared
- Losoncz, A.: Is there communal dimensions in economy?

**Reviews:**
- Žigmanov, T.: Pro and contra cosmopolitism
- Ikonov, R.; Semproni, A.: Multiculturalism
- Losoncz, A.: Why is multiculturalism under theorized?

**Recent publications**

**Privatisation in Kosovo 2004 Forwards and Backwards. The Status of Property in Kosovo**  
(PDF-file: http://www.riinveststitute.org/common/documents/Privatisation%20in%20Kosava.pdf)

Labovic, N., 2004: Regional Development of the Montenegrin Goods Trade  
Belgrade: Institute for Strategic Studies and Prognoses.– (Working paper)
SLOVAKIA

Scientific institution

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Year of foundation: 2004

Historical development: SASD was set up in the framework of the state financed research project "Social data archive and its use in cross-national comparative research" (initiated by the Slovak Academy of Sciences - SAS -).

Staff: Miroslav Tížik is acting as the head of the project team. Ján Bunčák, Martina Bausová and Roman Džambazovič are co-workers.

Supporting institution: Slovak Academy of Sciences

Financing: State financed project (2002-2005)

Main fields: The SASD archives data from quantitative representative social surveys conducted in the Slovak Republic. The basis of the data archive is primarily formed by the documentation and the data from the International Social Survey Program (ISSP) http://www.issp.org/homepage.htm and information on the European Social Survey (ESS), http://www.europeansocialsurvey.org/ and the European Value Study (EVS) http://www.europeanvalues.nl/, in which Slovakia participated through funding from the state budget or external grants. SASD also preserves those results of sociological surveys, that were financed by private means or arose out of commercial purposes, but only if the principle investigators open the data to the public and the study design meets professional requirements.

Apart from data, SASD provides links to other social data archives worldwide, to important social data sources, and a list of publications of authors, which used archives data.

The work of SASD is especially aimed at:

- Creating a data source to promote secondary analysis in the field of sociological research and teaching making data accessible (in electronic and printed form) to the academic research community, non-commercial institutions and individuals
- Increasing the efficiency of empirical sociological research by providing data for secondary analysis
- Safeguarding data and documentation and protecting them from loss and corruption
- Supporting the use of new technologies in social sciences
- Adoption of international working methods and infrastructure standards
- Enabling Slovakia's full participation in international sociological research programmes
- Introducing the Data Documentation Initiative (DDI) in Slovakia as a standard for meta data documentation
- Creating the technical and infrastructural basis for the foundation of a national data services centre
- publishing and making accessible the basic data from sociological research realised in Slovakia and in Czechoslovakia since 1967


Co-operations: Slovak Academy of Sciences, International Social Survey Programme (ISSP), East European Data Archive Network (EDAN); Central Archive for Empirical Research at the University of Cologne (ZA)

Services: Research support:

- Archiving survey data and methodological background knowledge
- Collection of contextual information on important events happened during the research period and their possible influence on the collected data
- Special statistical data analyses on request
- Providing information services in the area of national and international representative sociological surveys
- Training in methods of statistical data analysis and in computer-assisted techniques applied in sociological research

SASD offers a data catalogue, which allows the user to search for relevant studies (list of archived studies and documentation sorted by year). Direct access to the data and the documentation (questionnaires, study description, socio-political context of the data collection) is possible as well.

The archived data and basic chart outputs are easy to access. The system can be used by various user groups: Researchers, students, journalists as well as the public, which has no particular training on statistical programmes can easily access the information.
Online access to selected data is available for non-commercial and academic research institutions. All data are accessible free of charge. The data are distributed in the SPSS format, the documentation in DDI format. The data are classified into access categories according to the extent of accessibility, which is set by the data depositors.

**On-line publications**


**SLOVENIA**

**Journal description**

**Good Quality of Old Age**
Kakovostna Starost

**Place of publication:** Ljubljana
**Publication dates:** since 1998, quarterly
**Published by:** Anton Trstenjak Institute (the journal is in 2004 co-financed by the Slovenian Ministry of Education, Science and Sport)
**Edited by:** Anton Trstenjak Institute
**Resljeva cesta 11, POBox 4443, 1001 Ljubljana**
**Tel.: +3861 433 93 01**
**E-mail:** info@inst-antonatrstenjaka.si
**Internet:** [http://www.inst-antonatrstenjaka.si/eng/oldage.asp](http://www.inst-antonatrstenjaka.si/eng/oldage.asp)

**Subject area:** The ageing of people in the wider social and cultural context.
**Headings:** Articles
**The journal appears in Slovenian. It contains summaries of expert and scientific papers also in English.**

**Contents** of 2004, issue 4 as an example:
**Articles:**
- Kovačič, A.: Cost-benefit analysis of personal intergenerational companionship
- Kobolt, P.: The volunteer's experiences of a personal companionship with a lonely old person
- Russi Zagožen, I.: Old asylum seekers
- Tchernina, N.V.; Tchernin, E.F.: The adaptation experiences of older immigrants in Europe: The case of Jewish immigrants in Germany
- Šemerl-Schmid, L.: "Your dead body should lie in the home ground" - Ageing abroad
- Davidović, M.; at all: Ageing in Serbia and Montenegro

**UKRAINE**

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**Management:** Sharoykina, Elena (director)
**Year of foundation:** 1999
**Organization:** The Center is an independent non-profit research organisation.
**Main fields:** The objective of the Center is to study social life, political structures and formation of institutions in the civil society of Dnepropetrovsk and its region. The main emphasis is put on investigation of changes in political culture of the population, form and content of the pre-election companies in the Dnepropetrovsk area, development and interaction of institutions of local government and public associations.
**Publications:** The Center publishes monographs and bulletins with discussions about political events in Dnepropetrovsk.
**Services:** It organizes seminars, e.g. "Elections and the state power"; "Political parties during the elections 2002" and round tables ("The problem of political activity of young people during the elections 2002").

**Scientific institution**

**Kiev Centre for Political Studies and Conflict Research**
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**Management:** Pogrebinskij, Michail (director)
**Year of foundation:** 1993
**Financing:** The Center carries out its investigation projects with support of Ukrainian, as well as international and foreign organizations and funds.
Organization: Kiev Centre of Political Studies and Conflict Research (KCPSC) is an independent non-governmental non-profit expert and analytical organization.

Main fields: The Centre investigates the processes of transformation of Ukrainian society and state institutions in the period of transition from totalitarianism to democracy. The main activities of the Centre: monitoring, analysis and prognosis of socio-political and economic situation in Ukraine; organising of scientific and practical seminars and conferences on issues related to the Centre's investigations; organisation and conduction of sociological studies (all-Ukrainian and regional representative public opinion polls, random sampling of various strata of the population, expert polls); consulting services to Ukrainian and foreign governmental and non-governmental organisations and private companies; preparation and publication of information and analytical materials.

Scientific institution

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Internet: http://www.pravo.org.ua/

Management: Koliushko, Igor (director)
Year of foundation: 1996

Main fields: The Centre for Political and Legal Reforms is an analytical and nongovernmental non-profit organization founded to facilitate the reforms in political and legal spheres in Ukraine through performing analytical research, preparation of drafts, conducting independent legal examination of drafts, holding seminars and conferences and distribution of legal information. Experts of the Centre took part in development of the Conception of Administrative Reform in Ukraine, drafted Laws “On the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine”, “On Central Bodies of the Executive Power”, “On Service in Bodies of Government” (new wording), “On Administrative Services” and others. The Centre prepared the project of a legal basis for establishing Administrative Courts of Ukraine, drafted Law “On Administrative Courts” and Administrative Procedure Code. The Centre participates in different informational programs in legal sphere. The conception of the creation of Global Notary Network in Ukraine and Automatic Office of Notary were prepared in 1997-98. In 1999 Internet site “Draft Laws of Ukraine” was created (http://www.zakon.gov.ua).

Journal description

Journal of International Economic Policy

Place of publication: Kiev
Publication dates: since 2003

Published and edited by: Centre for Trade Policy and Law (CTPL) at the Carleton University, 1125 Colonel By Drive Ottawa, Ontario K1S 5B6, Canada and the Kiev National Economic University (KNEU) pr.Peremohy, 54/1, room 402 03680 Kiev
Email: jiep@kneu.kiev.ua or jiep@ctpl.ca
Internet: http://www.kneu.kiev.ua/journal/index.html.php?setlang=1

Editor-in-chief: Lukyanenko, Dmytro

Subject area: International economic policy, trade and economic issues. The goal of the centre is to promote knowledge and understanding about the functioning of the modern world trade system and WTO system in particular, to enhance the international trade capacity of Ukraine, to facilitate its effective participation in the global trading system, and to promote cooperation between the two respected Ukrainian and Canadian professional and educational institutions.

Headings: none

The journal is published in two versions – English and Ukrainian. To facilitate its publication and distribution, the journal is distributed in an electronic format. Full texts in both languages are available on the homepage.

Contents of the Issue Spring 2005 as an example:
- Marchi, S.: Ukraine’s Membership in the World Trade Organization
- Vashchenko, V., Kostyantyn Marchenko: The Development Round: Main Outcomes, Challenges and Implementation Prospects
- VanDuzer, J.A.: The Challenge of the GATS for Transition Economies Seeking to Join the WTO
- Chuzhykov, V.: Interregional diversification of Ukraine’s foreign trade
- Sidenko, V.: The socio-economic dimension of modern globalisation
- Poruchnik, A.: Ukraine’s potential for innovation and its realization through international scientific and technical cooperation
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Internet: http://www.oei.fu-berlin.de/

Management: Schrettl, Wolfram, Prof. (head)
Year of foundation: 1956
Staff: 26 researchers
Supporting institution: Free University Berlin
Financing: public budget

Departments/chairs:
- Politics und Society
- Law and Economics
- History and Culture
- Chair for "Conflict Research and Export of Stability"

Research: The institute’s research focuses on the issues and topics related to the transition processes in East-Central, Southeastern and Eastern Europe in contemporary and historical perspective. Furthermore, the research emphasis lies on the cultural studies as well as on the examination of the ethno-national conflicts in Eastern Europe.

Research projects:
- Serb-orthodox Anti-Westernhood during the 20th century: Patterns of thought, intra-orthodox transfer of ideas, social impacts, political implications
- Religion and identity construction. A study into the Muslim minority in Bulgaria and Macedonia
- Comparative tradition research. "Remembrance" of the Second World War in the intergenerational family memory (Serbia, Croatia)
- Accounting for State Building, Stability & Violent Conflict: The Institutional Framework of Caucasian and Central Asian Transitional Societies

Publications/ papers: The Institute publishes working papers ("Arbeitspapier des Osteuropa-Instituts") and a bi-annual brochure Berliner Osteuropa-Info.

Teaching: The Institute of East European Studies offers both undergraduate and postgraduate opportunities for students focusing on the studies of the presence and history of the Central, Eastern and South-eastern Europe.

Degree courses: The School offers campus-based and distant (http://www.ees-online.org) MA degrees in East European Studies. The graduate research programme provides research supervision to PhD level in history, politics, economics, sociology as applied to Central and Eastern Europe and South-Eastern Europe.

Events: Conferences, workshops. 01.-02.10.2004, International Expert Meeting: Ethnicity and Educational Policies in South Eastern Europe, Institute of Eastern European Studies, Free University Berlin in cooperation with Friedrich Ebert Foundation

Library: The library comprises around 360,000 volumes and belongs to one of the leading research collections in Europe for the study of Central and Eastern Europe.

Journal description

Communist and Post-Communist Studies

Place of publication: Amsterdam et al.
Publication dates: quarterly
Published by: Elsevier Science
Edited by: Andrzej Korbonski, Center for European and Russian Studies, University of California
405 Hilgard Avenue, 90095-1446 Los Angeles, CA, USA
E-mail: akorbonski@isop.ucla.edu
Internet: http://www.elsevier.com/wps/find/journaldescription.cws_home/30398/description#description

Editors-in-chief: Korbonski, Andrzej; Fajfer, Luba; Kerner, Lucy

Subject area: The journal covers all communist and post-communist states and communist movements, including both their domestic policies and their international relations. It focuses on the analysis of historical as well as current developments in the communist and post-communist world, including ideology, economy and society. In addition to the traditional disciplines of history, political science, economics and international relations, the journal publishes articles in less developed fields of social sciences and humanities, such as cultural anthropology, education, geography, religion and sociology.

Headings: Scientific papers

The journal appears in English. It contains an English list of contents.

Contents of volume 20, number 4 / March 2005 as an example:

Scientific papers:
Shlapentokh, V.: The short time horizon in the Russian mind
Hashim, S.M.: Putin's Etatization project and limits to democratic reforms in Russia
Bayulgen, O.: Foreign capital in Central Asia and the Caucasus: curse or blessing?
Brooker, D.C.: How they leave: a comparison of how the first presidents of the Soviet successor states left office
Vermersch, P.: EU enlargement and immigration policy in Poland and Slovakia
Thames, F.C.: Searching for party effects in post-communist Ukraine
Kyriazis, N.C.; Zouboulakis, M.S.: Modeling institutional change in transition economies

Recent Publications

Mansfeldová, Zdenka; Sparschuh, Vera; Wenninger, Agnieszka (eds.), 2005: Patterns of Europeanisation in Central and Eastern Europe, Hamburg: Krämer

The volume presents a collection of articles and analyses exploring various paths of Europeanisation process in Eastern Europe. The articles provide an interdisciplinary reflection on the Eastern enlargement as well as on recent situation in new member states. The contributions of recognised social scientists from both Eastern and Western Europe cover a broad range of aspects of the Europeanisation process ranging from the relationship between societal integration and European polity building to the questions of property rights or knowledge capacity in new member states. The volume is divided into three sections, dealing with general social science perspective on the EU enlargement, with challenges of Europeanisation and finally focusing on detailed aspects of the integration processes in country studies (covering Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania). This book is intended for scholars, students, policy makers and general readers interested in the new developments in the Eastern part of integrating Europe.


Network for European Social Policy Analysis (ESPAnet)

Link: http://www.espanet.org/
Geographical coverage: Europe
Subjects: Political Science
Description: Established in 2002, the ESPAnet aims to foster cooperation of academics involved or interested in the multi-disciplinary analysis of social policy in Europe. The network welcomes researchers and analysts from both Western, Central and Eastern Europe. The main goals of the Network are:
- To advance of knowledge in the field of the analysis of European social policies
- Encourage the entry of young researchers into the field
- To promote a comparative approach to the analysis of social policy in Europe
- To stimulate international exchange and dissemination of information pertaining to important developments in the field of European social policy.
Activities: The network organises annual conferences, workshops and seminars. It publishes the ESPAnet Newsletter and maintains the mailing list “European Social Policy List”. Together with the journal “European Social Policy” the network offers a prize for the best paper presented by young researcher during ESPAnet events.
Language: English
Access: Free

Data Sources

ZA4054 Consolidation of Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe 1990-2001: Cumulation of PCP I and II

The cumulative data set of the comparative study series “Post-Communist Publics Study” (PCP) is now available at the Central Archive for Empirical Research at the University of Cologne (ZA).
The data are prepared for secondary analysis according to the archival standards and are available with the documentation (study description, questionnaires, and codebook). The cumulative data set offers favorable opportunities for cross-time comparison. The main goal of the study series is to analyze the current state of consolidation of the newly implemented democracies in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe. A key criterion for evaluating democratic consolidation is the emergence of a political culture, which is congruent to the created democratic structures. After a decade of personal experience with the new political and economic systems, the most interesting question refers to the effects of this specific experience on the formation of the political culture. The cumulated data set comprises the data of wave 1 and 2 of the study series:

1. “The Post-communist Citizen 1990-1992”. This project was coordinated by László Bruszt (Central European University, Budapest) and János Simon (Institute for Political Science of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest). The data have been collected in eleven Central and Eastern European countries including Eastern Germany. The data set has been distributed by GESIS/ZA under the study number ZA3218 (n= 12,635).

2. "Consolidation of Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe 1998-2001: A Fifteen Country Study". The research project was coordinated by Edeltraud Roller, Dieter Fuchs, Hans-Dieter Klingemann, Bernhard Wessels (Social Science Research Center Berlin, WZB), and János Simon (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest). The data set consists of representative population surveys (18 years and older) that have been conducted by national research teams in fourteen Central and Eastern European countries (including East Germany) between 1998 and 2001. Additionally, the survey has been carried out in West Germany. The data set has been distributed by GESIS/ZA under the study number ZA3999 (n= 16,561). The cumulative data set replaces the single data sets ZA3218 and ZA3999.

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For ordering, please consult the ZA web page http://www.gesis.org/en/data_service/eastern_europe/order/order-www.htm:
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Globalisation, New Economy and the Environment (Business and Society Challenges for Sustainable Development)
Date: June 23 - 25, 2005
Conference site: St. Petersburg State University, Russia
Organiser: Russian Society for Ecological Economics
Topics: The 7th International Conference of the Russian Society for Ecological Economics (ISEE Russian Chapter) in Saint Petersburg will offer an opportunity to discuss advances in ecological economic approaches to environmentally sustainable policy making. Interdisciplinary and international as well as intercultural dimension of the conference will help to create a multitude of links among the scientists of the world across geographical as well as disciplinary boundaries. The conference will place particular emphasis on international and regional environmental problems, importance of the protection of the Baltic Region, application of the new methodological approaches of ecological economics, as well as the role of information sciences and modelling in environmental-economic management.

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser:
E-mail: rsee_2005@hotmail.com
**announcement**

"Euroregions - Experience and Prospects of Functioning"

Date: June 25 - 27, 2005  
Conference site: Lviv, Ukraine  
Organiser: Institute of the Regional Research, Ukrainian Academy of Sciences  

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Ukrainian Academy of Sciences Institute of the Regional Research  
Tel.: +38 0322 70 71 68  
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E-mail: irr@mail.lviv.ua

**announcement**

Experiencing the New Europe. Wroclaw – Prague – Cracow. Summer School

Date: July 1 - 22, 2005  
Conference site: Wroclaw, Poland  
Organiser: International Summer School is organized of University of Lower Silesia, International Institute of Culture and Education in collaboration with Tennessee Technological University  
Topics: Study with on-site experiential learning to explore cultural, political and economic transformation in the newly integrated Europe and offers an interdisciplinary course: History and Politics of European Urban Cultures and Societies in Transformation (anthropology, sociology, urban studies, history).  

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: Aleksandra Duda  
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Internet: http://www.iisce.org

**announcement**

European Summer School 2005 - Europe in Transition

Date: July 2 - 12, 2005  
Conference site: Prague, Czech Republic  
Organiser: Europeum – Institute for European Policy and TOL  
Topics: ESS2005 will focus on the main challenges of the EU enlargement and new neighbourhood, approving the new financial plan and launching a credible foreign policy.  
Conference language: English

**announcement**

More detailed information can be obtained directly from the organiser: EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy  
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Internet: http://www.europeum.org/summer_school_2005/default.asp

**announcement**

Democracy and Human Rights in Multiethnic Societies. 8. International Seminar

Date: July 10 - 15, 2005  
Conference site: Konjic, Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Organiser: Institute for Strengthening Democracy in cooperation with University of Bergen, Norway, Program for South Eastern Europe (Centre for International University Cooperation and Norwegian Research Council), Heinrich Böll Foundation, Regional Office, Sarajevo, The British Academy, London, U.K.  
Topics: Western Balkan or South-Eastern Europe between Normalization and Stagnation, Multiculturalism, Democracy at risk, Bosnian Politics and Economics in Transition, Religion in the Multiethnic Society, Inter-Media: Clusters, Crossroads and Complexity,  

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EU – Ukraine. Perspectives of Co-operation. Summer School

Date: July 15 - 29, 2005  
Conference site: Cracow, Poland, University campus in Przegorzały  
Organiser: Institute for Danubean and Central European Affairs/IDM/Vienna; International Cultural Centre/Cracow, Jagiellonian University Cracow; Austrian Ministry for Foreign Affairs; Iwan Franko Lviv State University  
Topics: Cultural Memory and Spaces of Identity (Ukraine, Central Europe, Europe); Political Changes in Ukraine; Polish and Ukrainian Experience after 1991; Cooperation between EU and Ukraine;  
Conference language: English
Baltic International Summer School
Date: August 01 - 19, 2005
Conference site: Valmiera, Latvia
Organiser: Vidzeme University, College
Topics: Baltic International Summer School (BISS) is a high quality summer study program that fosters network building and cross-cultural understanding. It includes a variety of undergraduate and graduate courses on Baltic and Northern European political and economical processes as well as history, environment, culture and languages.

11th International Conference on Social Dilemma
Date: August 24 - 28, 2005
Conference site: Cracow, Poland
Organiser: Faculty of Psychology & Institute for Social Studies, Warsaw University, in collaboration with Leon Kozminski Academy of Entrepreneurship and Management
Topics: List of presentations under http://www.come.uw.edu.pl/icsd2005/?nr_podstrony=8

The European Union: Past and Future Enlargements. (UACES 35th Annual Conference and 10th Research Conference)
Date: September 5 - 7, 2005
Conference site: Zagreb, Croatia
Organiser: University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES), University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law
Topics: Past and future enlargements of the EU: Identity and Diversity; Enlarging Europe; Croatia, South Eastern Europe and the EU
Conference language: English
Citizenship and Identity in Burgeoning Multicultural Societies in Borderline Areas

Date: September 8 -10, 2005
Conference site: Suprasl, Poland
Organiser: University of Bialystok, Institute of Sociology, prof. Kazimierz Krzysztofek, prof. Andrzej Sadowski
Conference language: English and Polish

Modernisation of Education in Terms of Globalisation

Date: September 14 - 15, 2005
Registration of participants: September 13, 2005.
Conference site: Tyumen, Russia

Organiser: Tyumen State University, Russian Academy of Education, Institute of Sociology (Russian Academy of Sciences), Russian Sociological Association
Topics: Modernization of the national educational system in terms of globalisation; national educational system: history and modernity; education and innovations developed in the process of transformation to global information society; international work and cooperation.

Political Processes in the Regions of Russia

Date: September 16 -17, 2005
Conference site: Kazan, Tatarstan/Russia
Organiser: Kazan State University, Chair of Political Science
Topics: The following sessions are planned:
• Development of interaction of the federal center and regions
• Political elites and political leadership in the regions of Russia
• Processes of democratisation in the Russian regions
• Formation of a multi-party system in the regions development and the Russian regions.

Formation of the Value-oriented Views of the Young Students in the Civic Society Context

Date: September 18 - 20, 2005
Conference site: Lviv, Ukraine
Organiser: Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, Ukraine Department of Pedagogy

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Socio-economic Effects of Market Reforms in Post socialist Countries

Date: September 28 - 30, 2005
Conference site: Cherkassy, Ukraine
Organiser: Bogdan Chmelnitski National University of Cherkassy

Topics:
- property attitude and problem of alienation in postsocialistic countries;
- use of natural resources in transitional economics;
- government control and economical policy in countries with transitional economics;
- economical security problems of postsocialistic countries;
- economic development factors by formation of market organization;
- international trade activity of postsocialistic countries

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Belarus on the Way to WTO: Social and Economic Problems and Effects of Accession

Date: September 29 - 30, 2005
Conference site: Minsk, Belarus
Organiser: Institute of Economics, National Academy of Science of Belarus

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The 5th International scientific symposium “Education, Culture and Humanitarian Research of East Siberia and the North in the Beginning of the XXI Century ("The Baikal meetings - 5")"

Date: September 29 - 30, 2005
Conference site: Ulan-Ude, Russia
Organiser: The East-Siberian State Academy of Culture and Arts in cooperation with governmental structures and educational, cultural and scientific institutions.

Topics: The objectives of the symposium: the definition of the strategy of educational, cultural and humanitarian research development in East Siberia and in the North, interdisciplinary scientific examination of the contents, structure, functions and technologies of the professional training in the sphere of culture and art, their influence on the development of the region.

Conference language: Russian, Buryat, Yakut, Tuva, English, German, French, Mongolian.
fiscal decentralization and intergovernmental relations in general, municipal management (covering both theory and best practices). Other topics eligible for the listing are citizens’ participation in local development, citizens’ education, the role of NGOs and CBOs at the municipal level. The review is addressed to a broad community of Russian and FSU (where Russian is still broadly used as a language of communication) experts and practitioners of local government.

- http://www.niss.gov.ua/Center/stol.htm

The Center of Anticonflict Research at the National Institute for Strategic Studies (http://www.niss.gov.ua/) has set up an Internet portal for demographic information “Population of Ukraine” - http://www.gmdh.net/pop/index.htm. The information is offered in Russian and Ukrainian languages, partially in English.

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