

CEPSA Annual Conference 2012, Budapest
Crisis and Governance in East Central Europe
26-27 October, 2012

Programme

26/10/2012

Venue: Loránd Eötvös University, Faculty of Law
1053 Budapest, Egyetem tér 1-3. Aula Magna

Registration – 9:00-10:00

Opening session 10:00-10:30

Welcome by

- Miklós Király, Dean of ELTE Faculty of Law
- Karin Liebhart, President of CEPSA
- Zsolt Enyedi, President of the Hungarian Political Science Association

Plenary Session – 10:30-12:30

10:30-11:30 Keynote adress by **Jean Blondel** (Emeritus professor, European University Institute): The parliamentary systems in Europe: East and West

11:30-12:30 **Silvia Mihaliková** (Associate professor, Comenius University) – **Karen Henderson** (Senior lecturer, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Leicester): Central and Eastern Europe beyond transition: convergence and divergence in Europe

Lunch break – 12:30-14:00



Panels – 14:00-16:00

Panel A) European Futures: The perspectives of the New Member States in the EU 28
Chairs: Jerzy Wiatr and Zdenka Mansfeldova

I. The ECE region in the EU28: the “external” issues

1. The Core-Periphery Divide and the Peripheralization in the EU28
 - José Magone: Living with the Eurocrisis in Southern Europe: The political and social consequences of economic austerity
 - Miklós Losonczi: Global crisis and peripheralization in ECE
 - Discussion

Panel C) Central Eastern Europe in the European Union

Chair: András Bozóki

- Teresa Sasinska-Klas: The attitudes of poles toward european integration and eurozone in 2012
- Andrea Schmidt: The consequence of the EU enlargement – the new borders of the European Union
- Nenad Koprivica: Most important challenges facing Montenegro and the Western Balkan on the path towards the EU.
- Edit Lőrinczné Bencze: Europeanization: Croatian case
- Discussion

Panel D) Identity, nationhood, minorities in East Central Europe

Chair: Kántor Zoltán

- Boglárka Koller: European identity re-framed: effects of differentiated EU on the identity of East Central Europeans
- Andreas Pribersky: Economic policy as a part of national identity construction: The example of foreign currency loans in Hungary.
- Marc Stegherr: “The Carpatho-Rusyns and their cultural and political aspirations”
- Discussion

Coffee break – 16:00-16:15

Panels – 16:15-18:15

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2. The common interests of the ECE states (cohesion policy, competitiveness):
 - Karin Liebhart: The debate on the ECE and SEE expansion of the Austrian banks
 - Cirila Toplak: EU in crisis and further deepening of existing divides

- Krisztina Vida: The MFF and the lobbying potential of the EU10
- Discussion

Panel B) Party systems and elections in East Central Europe

Chair: Zsolt Enyedi

- Vlastimil Havlík: A populist challenge for democracy? The political party public affairs and the 2010 parliamentary elections in the Czech Republic
- Pink Michal: Czech senatorial elections
- Slavisa Orlovic: The influence of electoral system on party fragmentation in Serbian Parliament
- Discussion

Panel C) Central Eastern Europe in the European Union

Chair: László Kákai

- Christopher Huggins: Local government co-operation in Europe: responding to a governance crisis?
- Anna Molnár: Macro-regional approaches in the Danube and the Adriatic-Ionian regions
- Mónika Szente-Varga: Migrants from Central Eastern Europe in Spain – a transnational link
- Discussion

Dinner for the CEPSA executive committee, committee meeting – 19:00

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Venue: Andrásy University

Panels – 9:00-10:45

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II. “Backsliding of Democracy” in ECE: the “internal” issues

1. The impact of global crisis on the ECE (economy, politics and society):
 - Jerzy Wiatr: Poland’s politics and the world crisis
 - Zdenka Mansfeldova and Petra Guasti: The Czech Republic after enlargement: successes and failures
 - Tamás Polgár: The Nordic View on the NMS transformations
 - Discussion

Panel B) Party systems and elections in East Central Europe

Chair: Tibor Mándi

- Karolina Tybuchowska-Hartlińska: Local government elections in Poland
- Tina Olteanu: The Romanian political system upside down – democracy without democrats?
- Petros Ioannidis: A comparative approach of Greek elections in 2009 and 2012: How crisis affects election campaigns and results
- Discussion

Coffee break – 10:45-11:00

Panels – 11:00-12:45

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2. Europeanization of institutions, parties and political culture in the ECE states:
 - Miro Hacek and Simona Kukovic: Distrust in political institutions and the quality of democracy in Slovenia
 - Máté Szabó: The role of Ombudsman in the Hungarian political system
 - Summary and closing words by Attila Ágh:
The institutionalization of Multispeed EU and the Quality of the ECE democracy in the mirror of the international ranking institutions

Panel E) Crisis and Public Policy in Central and Eastern Europe

Chair: Zoltán Tibor Pállinger

- Nicolas G. Papanastasiopoulos: Crisis in public policy, the Greek case as a methodological paradigm in order to avoid similar situations
- Pavel Dufek: Do we have democracy here? On the discontinuity between empirical and normative theories of democracy
- Eszter-Petronella Soós: Gaullism as a crisis management pattern? Towards a French-Hungarian comparative analysis
- Discussion

12:45-13:15 Closing remarks

László Andor, Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Lunch – 13:15