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Meeting Rooms

University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14

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2nd floor

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Detailed Programme

Plenary Sessions

Opening Plenary Session

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  9:00 - 10:30

Opening Plenary Session

Room:  Aula Faculty of Architecture, Fra Andrije Kačić Miošića 26, Zagreb

Speakers:

Marius Profiroiu,  NISPAcee President, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania
Damir Boras,  Rector, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Dubravka Hrabar,  Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Milan Bandić,  City Mayor, City of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

Speech:

Republic of Croatia: Current Challenges of Public Administration Reform in Croatia and the Plans of the Ministry of Public Administration

Author/Presenter:
Dubravka Jurlina Alibegović,  Minister, Ministry of Administration of Croatia, Zagreb, Croatia

Speech:

Republic of Croatia: The Main Problems, Results and Prospects of Public Administration Reform in Croatia

Author/Presenter:
Anamarija Musa,  Information Commissioner, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

Speech:

United Nations: Public Service Transformation for Effective Integrated Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Author/Presenter:
John Mary Kauzya,  Chief, Public Administration Capacity Branch, Division for Public Administration and Development Management, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations, New York, United States
THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  11:00 - 12:00

Opening Plenary Session - Key-note presentation, Awards Ceremony

Room: Aula Faculty of Architecture, Fra Andrije Kačića Miošića 26, Zagreb

Speech:
**Key-note Speech: The Future of Public Law in Europe - Integrated Administrations and the Consequences**

**Author/Presenter:**
*Herwig Hofmann*, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg, Luxembourg

**Paper:**
**Alena Brunovska Award: Decentralization as a Precarious Component of Contemporary European Governance**

**Author/Presenter:**
*Ivan Kopric*, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

**Paper:**
**Mzia Mikeladze PhD Thesis Award: The Impact of Fiscal Crises on Public Administration: Cutback Management and Changes in Decision-making**

**Author/Presenter:**
*Riin Savi*, Tallinn University of Technology, Tallinn, Estonia

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  12:00 - 13:00

Opening Plenary Session - EAPAA Plenary Session

Room: Aula Faculty of Architecture Fra Andrije Kačića Miošića 26, Zagreb

Chair:
*Taco Brandsen*, Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands

**Speakers:**
*C Michelle Piskulich*, Oakland University, Rochester, United States
*Peter Marks*, Erasmus University, Rotterdam, Netherlands

**EAPAA Plenary Session: Trends in Public Administration Education**

Changes in society require the constant adaption of educational and training programmes to the emerging new needs of society and PA/PM environment. The PA/PM field, in most CEE countries and broader, has been facing a number of new challenges and changes. In addition to globalisation and climate changes, financial and economic crisis, most recently also many international political-administrative problems emerged, in particular those related to the migrants crisis. In parallel to all these changes in the PA environment, we are witnessing emerging new technologies and new governance paradigms, like transparency/open government, open data, big data etc. We are expected to be well qualified experts, able to address and solve increasingly complex problems in society and trained to the highest possible professional standards.

At the plenary, the speakers will discuss trends in PA education, the challenges programmes face and the role of quality assurance.
Business Meeting

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  17:30 - 18:30

Business Meeting
Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

Chairs:
Marius Proftroiu, NISPAcee President, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania
Ludmila Gajdosova, NISPAcee Executive Director, NISPAcee Headquarters, Bratislava, Slovakia

All conference participants are invited to the meeting. NISPAcee members, partners and potential new members are especially invited. The second part of the meeting will be devoted to their presentations and discussions focused on their expectations, ideas and proposals for further NISPAcee development.

Report of activities 2015
Future plans
Financial report
Elections
Membership and opportunities for members
Others

Closing Plenary Session

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016  11:00 - 12:00

Closing Plenary Session - Closing Round Table
Harmonization with European Administrative Principles and Standards in South-Eastern Europe
Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

Chairs:
Jadranka Djurkovic, NISPAcee Steering Committee Member, Government of Montenegro, Podgorica, Montenegro
Anamarija Musa, Information Commissioner, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

South Eastern Europe is on the move towards EU membership, with Croatia as the 28th Member State; Albania, FYR Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Turkey as the candidates; and Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosovo as potential candidates. Public administrations of these countries are deeply influenced by the process of Europeanization, meaning harmonization with the European acquis communautaire and acquiring European administrative principles and standards. Such harmonization is one of the main grounds for subsequent administrative reforms. The most influenced sectors are constitutional position and organization of public administration, civil service, administrative procedures, financial and budget management, citizens' relations with public administrative bodies and their influence on public decisions, transparency and ethics, etc. The EU and other international donors foster technical assistance in various administrative fields in the countries of the region. The panel is intended for discussion of the main processes, results, experiences and lessons learnt during the Europeanization of public administrations in South-Eastern Europe.
Discussion Presentations

Author/Presenter:
Fatos Mustafa, ReSPA (Regional School of Public Administration), Danilovgrad, Montenegro

Author/Presenter:
Ivan Kopric, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

Author/Presenter:
Tony Verheijen, Serbia Country Manager, The World Bank, Washington, DC, United States

Author/Presenter:
Zorana Gajic, ReSPA (Regional School of Public Administration), Danilovgrad, Montenegro

Closing Plenary Session - Awards Ceremony
Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

Chair:
Marius Profiroiu, NISPAcee President, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania

Award for the Best Graduate Student Paper

Winner:
Urša Jeretina, Faculty of Administration, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Paper:
Administrative Aspect of Consumer Alternative Dispute Resolution in the EU, Slovenia and Croatia

Award for the Best Comparative Paper

Winners:
Ringa Raudla, Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia,
James W. Douglas, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, USA/Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia,
Tiina Randma-Liiv, Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia,
Riin Savi, Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia

Paper:
Fiscal Crisis and Expenditure Cuts: The Influence of Public Management Practices on Cutback Strategies in Europe

Merit Award

Tony Verheijen, The World Bank, Belgrade, Serbia

Invitation to the 25th NISPAcee Annual Conference 2017

Liliya Nurgatina, Kazan Federal University, Kazan, Republic of Tatarstan, Russian Federation
PhD Pre-conference Seminar

**Introduction to the Meeting and Discussion on the Introduction and Conclusions of the Paper**

Room: Faculty Hall Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

**Chairs:**
- Michiel de Vries, Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands
- Iwona Sobis, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden

PhD seminar enables PhD students to present a paper and have these papers and presentations discussed in more detail concerning structure and content than sessions in the conference themselves allow. Senior researchers participate as facilitators for the discussions. The goal of the seminar is to discuss with the students ways in which to improve their presentations and their papers.

**Participants:**
- Durman Petra, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
- Uszkai Andrea, Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Pecs, Hungary
- Darida Zsuzsa, Doctoral School of Regional and Economic Sciences, Szechenyi Istvan University, Gyor, Hungary
- Som Zoltan, Institute of E-Public Service Development, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
- Buda Lorina, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
- Lescauskaitė Vaida, Faculty of Political Science and Diplomacy, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania
- Pisz Maciej, Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland
- Vuleta Davor, Social Science Faculty, Lund University, Sweden

**Discussion on the Theoretical Section**

Room: Faculty Hall Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

**Chairs:**
- Michiel de Vries, Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands
- Iwona Sobis, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden

**Discussion on the Methods Section**

Room: Faculty Hall Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

**Chairs:**
- Michiel de Vries, Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands
- Iwona Sobis, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden
PhD Pre-conference Seminar
Discussion on the Outcomes Section
Room: Faculty Hall Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

Chairs:
Michiel de Vries, Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands
Iwona Sobis, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden

Sessions
Main Conference Theme

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016 15:00 - 16:30

Main Conference Theme
European Administrative Space as a Framework for PA Reforms
Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

Chairs:
Polona Kovac, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Ivan Kopric, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

European Administrative Space (EAS) has recently become the dominant concept in administrative theory and doctrine for analysis of the phenomenon of administrative convergence in Europe. The EAS was created and is driven by various European players, facilitated by civil servants’ learning, and fuelled by the expectations of European citizens. The EAS is based on and comprises a set of values, social and citizen expectations, governance principles and standards of public administration organisation and functioning defined by law, whose application is supported by the appropriate procedures and accountability mechanisms. It subsumes both good administration and good governance as narrower concepts with somewhat different focuses. European standards and best practices have spread and influence capacity building processes at all governance levels throughout Europe and the neighbouring areas.

Presentations are dealing with the issues related to European Administrative Space, particularly bearing in mind its importance for CEE countries.

Paper:
European Administrative Space - Myth, Reality and Hopes
Author/Presenter:
Ivan Kopric, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

Paper:
Boosting Innovation in Central and Eastern Europe: Capacity Building Using the Triple Helix Concept in Public Policy
Author(s):
Andras Nemeslaki, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Judit Szakos, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

Presenter(s):
Judit Szakos, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Paper: Europeanization of Public Administration in Eastern Europe: Case Study of Slovenian and Croatian Specialized Journals
Author(s): Polona Kovac, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Tina Jukic, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Presenter(s): Polona Kovac, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016 14:30 - 16:00
Main Conference Theme
Capacity Building and the Role of the Civil Service within EAS
Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor
Chairs: Polona Kovac, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Ivan Kopic, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Paper: The Importance of Cooperation and Mediation in Public Administration - Efficient Solutions for Good Governance in Croatia
Author(s): Ana Tuskan, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Urša Jeretina, University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria
Presenter(s): Ana Tuskan, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Paper: Alternative Dispute Resolution in Administrative Law - The Slovenian Perspective
Author/Presenter: Mirko Pecaric, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Paper: Administrative Aspect of Consumer Alternative Dispute Resolution in the EU, Slovenia and Croatia
Author/Presenter: Urša Jeretina, University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016 16:30 - 17:30
Main Conference Theme
Amicable Resolutions in Administrative Disputes as an EAS Guideline
Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor
Chairs: Polona Kovac, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Ivan Kopric, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Paper: How to Combine National and Local Interests: Alternative Models
Author/Presenter: Pekka Kettunen, Abo Akademi University, Turku, Finland
Paper: 
**Accountability of Public Officials as a Key Element of Good Governance - Case of Slovenia**

**Author/Presenter:**
Tina Sever, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

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**Main Conference Theme**

**EAS through Guarantees of Good Administration**

**Room:** Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

**Chairs:**
Polona Kovac, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Ivan Kopric, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

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**Paper:**
**Cacophony in Public Management - The Relationship between New Public Management and Post-new Public Management**

**Author/Presenter:**
Miklos Rosta, Corvinus University of Budapest, Budapest, Hungary

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**Paper:**
**Evaluation of the Administrative Courts’ Reform in Croatia**

**Author/Presenter:**
Mateja Crnkovic, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

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**Paper:**
**Evaluation Culture and Capacity**

**Author(s):**
Raluca Garboan, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Sorin Dan Sandor, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

**Presenter(s):**
Sorin Dan Sandor, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
General Session

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  17:00 - 18:30

Room: Room I  Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Mirko Vintar, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Marius Profiroiu, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania

Paper:
Volunteerism in the EU: A Cross-national Comparison
Authors/Presenters:
Thomas Bryer, Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas, Lithuania
Jolanta Vaiciuniene, Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas, Lithuania

Paper:
Automation: Robots: Crisis or Opportunity
Author/Presenter:
Donald Fuller, American University of Armenia, Yerevan, Armenia

Paper:
Perceptions and Awareness of Corruption in Georgia: What Public Servants and the General Public Think
Author/Presenter:
Nino Ghonghadze, Georgian Institute of Public Affairs, Tbilisi, Georgia
Panel on Transparent and Open Government

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  9:00 - 10:30

Panel on Transparent and Open Government: Effective Public Communication in the European Administrative Space

Transparency and Access to Information: Challenges to Good Governance

Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

Chair:
Anamarija Musa, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

Paper:
Access to Public Information: Between Principles of Good Administration and Slovene Administrative - Judicial Practice

Author/Presenter:
Polona Kovac, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Paper:
When the Government Says “No”. The Right to Privacy as an Exemption from Freedom of Information in Poland

Author/Presenter:
Anna Budnik, Bialystok University, Bialystok, Poland

Paper:
The Dynamics of Reform: Informal Networks, Social Media and Self Organization

Author/Presenter:
Patrick Bell, Florida International University, Miami, Florida, United States

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  11:00 - 12:30

Panel on Transparent and Open Government: Effective Public Communication in the European Administrative Space

Transparency and Openness at Local Level

Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

Chair:
Anamarija Musa, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

Paper:
Exploring the Determinants of Transparency of the Slovak Municipalities

Author(s):
Martin Kollarik, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia
Emilia Sicakova-Beblava, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia
Matus Sloboda, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia

Presenter(s):
Emilia Sicakova-Beblava, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia
Paper:
**Public Administration - Closer to the Citizens through Social Media**

**Author/Presenter:**
Cristina Mihaela Constantinescu, National Agency of Civil Servants, Bucharest, Romania

Paper:
**Local Governments’ Use of Facebook in terms of Enhancing Citizen Participation. A Comparative Content Analysis in Turkey**

**Author/Presenter:**
Ozgur C. Selvi-Tasdan, Okan University, Istanbul, Turkey

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**Panel of IIAS (International Institute of Administrative Sciences)**

**FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016**

**Room:** Room IV Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

**Chairs:**
Rolet Loretan, International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS), Brussels, Belgium
Veronica Junjan, Discussant, University of Twente, AE Enschede, Netherlands

The panel focuses on the different aspects of this important issue:
1) To what extent is the SDG Framework relevant for European and Central-Asian countries?
2) Which reforms of legal, institutional and organizational frameworks and systems are needed to ensure sustainable governance for development?
3) Which capacity building strategies and methods are needed to achieve these objectives, with the involvement of all stakeholders?
4) Which ‘standards’, if any, can inform sustainable governance development policies (e.g.: PA education and training standards, financial accounting, management accounting, budgeting and auditing systems standards (IPSAS – EPSAS) sustainability standards (Guidance on social responsibility). . .)?
5) Which type of frameworks for monitoring and evaluating Sustainable development & governance objectives, defining role/responsibility and what type of coordination mechanisms should be established from the outset?
6) What are the main indicators for measuring sustainable governance?

**Speech:**
**Developing Public Administration Capacities for the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development to Achieve Sustainable Development Goals**

**Author/Presenter:**
John Mary Kauzya, United Nations, New York, United States

**Speech:**
**From Wrong to Right: How to Increase the Capacity Use – Costs and Regulations**

**Author/Presenter:**
Teodora Bitoiu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

**Speech:**
**The Need to Prioritize - Sustainable Development and Governance in a Comparative Perspective**

**Author/Presenter:**
Michiel de Vries, Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands
Panel of EUROPA (Entretiens Universitaires Réguliers pour l’Administration en Europe / Regular Academic Discussions on Public Administration in Europe)

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  11:00 - 12:30

Panel of EUROPA (Entretiens Universitaires Réguliers pour l’Administration en Europe / Regular Academic Discussions on Public Administration in Europe)
How does the EUROPA Association Contribute to the Construction of a European Administrative Space?
Room: Room V Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

Chairs:
Marius Profiroiu, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania
Anne Azam-Pradeilles, EUROPA Association, LIMOGES, France

This panel addresses the issue of the European administrative space in progress and how the EUROPA association contributes to the spread of standards and the increasing convergence of European administrative capacities. Each of the administrative models of the countries represented in EUROPA have specificities that result from their specific histories as well as from their legal systems mixing elements borrowed from others with elements already in their own cultures. The spread of EU standards has progressively led to an approximation and even a convergence between the different models. And it has helped strengthen and harmonise the administrative capacity of the different components of this European administrative space in progress.
Presentation of EUROPA and short video http://www.europaong.org/20-ans/le-reseau-europa-un-atout-majeur-au-coeur-de-laction-de-notre-ong/

Speech:
Transnational Capacity Building in Public Administration
Author/Presenter:
Margot Bonnafous, EUROPA Association, LIMOGES, France

Speech:
Decentralisation and Intergovernmental Networks in Europe: Complex Tools for Complex Societies
Author/Presenter:
Jose Manuel Ruano, Complutense University of Madrid, Madrid, Spain

Speech:
Citizen Participation in the Conduct of Public Affairs: Between Dissemination of Innovative Practices and Persistent Forms of Resistance
Authors/Presenters:
Michel Senimon, EUROPA Association, LIMOGES, France
Christophe Bonnotte, EUROPA Association, LIMOGES, France

Speech:
Building Capacity of Inter-municipal Cooperation Structures in Romania: Practices, Needs and Opportunities
Author(s):
Marius Profiroiu, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania
Iuliana Leca, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania
Alina Profiroiu, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania

Presenter(s):
Marius Profiroiu, Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, Romania
EAPAA Dean’s Panel
(European Association for Public Administration Accreditation)

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  11:00 - 12:30

EAPAA Dean’s Panel (European Association for Public Administration Accreditation)

Key Issues in the Management of PA Programmes

Room:  Room II Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

Chair:
Mirko Vintar, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Speakers:
Calin Hintea, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Primoz Pevcin, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Taco Brandsen, Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands

The constant modernisation and evaluation of PA/PM educational programmes are a prime concern of all who are responsible for managing these programmes. On the panel key issues will be discussed in the management of PA programmes, including the internationalisation of the programmes and their staff, structural changes of curricula (national versus international) and the effects of new technologies on PA teaching. The panel follows up on issues discussed at the plenary on Thursday morning. In addition to the deans and heads of programmes, we invite everyone who is interested in the development of the programmes, their quality management and evaluation.

ReSPA Panel (Regional School of Public Administration)

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  11:00 - 12:30

ReSPA Panel (Regional School of Public Administration)

Regional Cooperation in the Western Balkans – Contributing to Implementation of Public Administration Reform (PAR) Principles

Room:  Room III Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

Chair:
Zorana Gajic, ReSPA (Regional School of Public Administration), Danilovgrad, Montenegro

Presentation of ReSPA, publication and short videos:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ixiHlc8YHvc
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yKKEOBmjSA4

Presentation of ReSPA regional comparative study

Discussion

Speech:
ReSPA Achievements and Comparative Studies

Authors/Presenters:
Jadranka Djurkovic, Government of Montenegro, Podgorica, Montenegro
Vanja Ivanovic, ReSPA (Regional School of Public Administration), Danilovgrad, Montenegro
Speech:
Renewal of Concept and Legal Remedies in General Administrative Procedures in the Western Balkans
Authors/Presenters:
Ivan Kopric, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Polona Kovac, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Jasmina Dzinic, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Vedran Dulabic, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

Speech:
Merit Based Recruitment in the Western Balkans
Authors/Presenters:
Fatos Mustafa, ReSPA (Regional School of Public Administration), Danilovgrad, Montenegro
Vanja Ivanovic, ReSPA (Regional School of Public Administration), Danilovgrad, Montenegro

Speech:
ReSPA Strategic Framework 2016-2020
Author/Presenter:
Zorana Gajic, ReSPA (Regional School of Public Administration), Danilovgrad, Montenegro

Working Groups

I. Working Group on Local Government

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  17:00 - 18:30

I. Working Group on Local Government
Territorial Policy: Problems, Approaches and Strategies
Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Arto Haveri, University of Tampere, Tampere, Finland
Katarzyna Radzik-Maruszak, Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland

The 9th year of the Working Group on Local Government focuses on the causes of decentralisation of local government systems in Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). The Working Group tries to gain an illuminating insight into local government reforms by thoroughly discussing certain historical cases from Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS).

Paper:
Top Down and Bottom Up Approaches to Local Government Reforms: A Need for Balanced Approach
Author(s):
Georg Sootla, Tallinn University, Tallinn, Estonia
Kersten Kattai, Tallinn University, Tallinn, Estonia
Sulev Laane, University of Tartu, Tartu, Estonia
Ave Viks, Tallinn University, Tallinn, Estonia
Presenter(s):
Georg Sootla, Tallinn University, Tallinn, Estonia

Paper:
Is Small Beautiful?  The Impact of Territorial Fragmentation on the Performance of Local Governments in Poland

Author(s):  
Pawel Swianiewicz, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland  
Julita Lukomska, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland  

Presenter(s):  
Pawel Swianiewicz, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland  

Paper:  
Municipal Sub-government in Croatia and Decentralization of Local Self-government  

Author/Presenter:  
Mirko Klaric, University of Split, Split, Croatia  

Paper:  
The Uprising Level of Public Integrity: An Engine for Local Economic Development  

Author(s):  
Florin Marius Popa, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania  
Teodora Bitoiu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania  

Presenter(s):  
Teodora Bitoiu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania  

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  14:30 - 16:00  

I. Working Group on Local Government  
Representative Democracy at the Local Level and City Governance  

Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor  

WG Programme Coordinators:  
Arto Haveri, University of Tampere, Tampere, Finland  
Katarzyna Radzik-Maruszak, Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland  

Paper:  
Changes and Challenges: Local Representative Democracy in Poland  

Author/Presenter:  
Katarzyna Radzik-Maruszak, Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland  

Paper:  
The Impact of Individual Characteristics of Candidates in Mayoral Elections on Election Results  

Author/Presenter:  
Matus Sloboda, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia  

Paper:  
Building Political Capacity in the Management of a Municipality  

Authors/Presenters:  
Monika Sidor, Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland  
Justyna Wasil, Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland  

Paper:  
Actual Problems of City Marketing in Hungary in a Local Development Policy Aspect  

Author/Presenter:  
Tibor Laszlo Busko, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  

I. Working Group on Local Government  
Decentralization at the Local Level  
Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor  

WG Programme Coordinators:  
Arto Haveri, University of Tampere, Tampere, Finland  
Katarzyna Radzik-Maruszak, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin, Poland  

Paper:  
Explaining Decentralization through the Mirror of “Creeping” Centralization: Evidence from Lithuania  
Author(s):  
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Liudas Mazylis, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania  
Presenter(s):  
Vaida Lescauskaite, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania  

Paper:  
Is Local Government Ready for Decentralization?  
Author(s):  
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Dragos Dinca, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania  
Teodora Bitoiu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania  
Presenter(s):  
Catalin Daniel Dumitrica, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania  

Paper:  
Local Self-government and Decentralization in the Republic of Macedonia ahead of the European Challenges  
Author(s):  
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Presenter(s):  
Ivana Shumanovska-Spasovska, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University, Skopje, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)  

Paper:  
In the Trap of Centralisation - The Fragmented Structure of Public Administration and Good Governance  
Author/Presenter:  
Edit Somlyodyne Pfeil, Szechenyi Istvan University, Gyor, Hungary  

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016  

I. Working Group on Local Government  
Governance and Service Delivery at the Local Level  
Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor  

WG Programme Coordinators:  
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Katarzyna Radzik-Maruszak, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin, Poland  

Paper:  
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Paper:  
Is Local Government Ready for Decentralization?  
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Presenter(s):  
Ivana Shumanovska-Spasovska, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University, Skopje, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)  

Paper:  
In the Trap of Centralisation - The Fragmented Structure of Public Administration and Good Governance  
Author/Presenter:  
Edit Somlyodyne Pfeil, Szechenyi Istvan University, Gyor, Hungary
II. Working Group on e-Government

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  15:00 - 16:30

II. Working Group on e-Government
Benchmarking e-Government
Room:  Room II Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - Ground floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Tina Jukic, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Andras Nemeslaki, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

The working group focuses on the following topics:
1. Open government initiatives at various levels of administration, which include collection, formalisation and provision of open data by public authorities, as well as the use of open data and co-sourcing/co-creation of services and solutions by private companies and NGOs or citizens.
2. Cyberspace security, e.g. security issues on using public data; steps and measures for securing different online procedures, and the balance between addressing specific needs of target groups without violating privacy principles and requirements.
3. Data mining in the field of e-government (e.g. text analysis of e-government policies, mining open/big data).
4. Interoperability issues – organisational, technological and semantic dimensions of interoperability challenges and/or solutions.

Paper:
E-government Benchmarking - Score vs. Reality (The Case of EU e-Gov Benchmarking and Czech e-Government)
Author/Presenter:
David Spacek, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic
**Paper:**

**Quality and Impact in e-Government**

**Author/Presenter:**

Anna Orbán, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

**Paper:**

**The e-Administration as Regarded by the Spanish New Law on Common Administrative Procedure**

**Author(s):**

Sara Sistero, University Jaume I, Castelló de la Plana, Spain
José Luís Blasco, Universitat Jaume I, Castelló de la Plana, Spain

**Presenter(s):**

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**THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016**

17:00 - 18:00

**II. Working Group on e-Government**

**Issues in Multi-level e-Government Services**

**Room:** Room II Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - Ground floor

**WG Programme Coordinators:**

Tina Jukic, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
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**Paper:**

**Germany’s Federal States e-Government Laws Proposed in Summer 2015 and their Effects on Counties and Municipalities - A Failed Interoperability Lesson?**

**Author(s):**

Robert Müller-Török, University of Applied Sciences Ludwigsburg, Ludwigsburg, Germany
Arne Pautsch, University of Public Administration and Finance Ludwigsburg, Ludwigsburg, Germany

**Presenter(s):**

Robert Müller-Török, University of Applied Sciences Ludwigsburg, Ludwigsburg, Germany

**Paper:**

**E-service Perspectives in the Local Government, Evidence from the Republic of Macedonia**

**Author(s):**

Memet Memeti, South East European University, Tetovo, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)
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**Presenter(s):**

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**FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016**

9:00 - 10:30

**II. Working Group on e-Government**

**Social Media Adoption in Public Administration**

**Room:** Room II Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - Ground floor

**WG Programme Coordinators:**

Tina Jukic, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Andras Nemeslaki, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

**Paper:**

**Social Media Usage in Slovenian Local Self-government: First Results**
Author(s):
Tina Jukic, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Manca Merlak, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Presenter(s):
Tina Jukic, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Paper:
Social Media Adoption and Performance: A First Look at Lithuanian Municipalities

Authors/Presenters:
Thomas Bryer, Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas, Lithuania
Jolita Sinkiene, Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas, Lithuania

Paper:
Online Services and Social Media Use in Romanian Cities: Can We See a Pattern?

Author/Presenter:
Nicolae Urs, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

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II. Working Group on e-Government

E-participation, Transparency and Smart Cities

Room: Room II Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - Ground floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Tina Jukic, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Andras Nemeslaki, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

Paper:
Providing Public Information Online. Analysis of the Study Carried out on Local Government Units in Northern Poland (Pomorskie Voivodeship)

Authors/Presenters:
Adam Bochentyn, University of Gdansk, Gdansk, Poland
Karol Wazny, University of Gdansk, Gdansk, Poland

Paper:
Council of Europe Recommendation 2004(11) on eVoting: Revision or Completely New Approach?

Author/Presenter:
Alexander Prosser, WU Vienna, Vienna, Austria

Paper:
New Ways of Delivering Public Services and Making Better Use of Existing Resources and Infrastructure: Smart Cities

Author/Presenter:
Boglárka Horvátné Barsi, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Pécs, Hungary
II. Working Group on e-Government

Information Security

Room: Room II Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - Ground floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Tina Jukic, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Andras Nemeslaki, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

Paper:
Electronic Signature Technology in Hungarian Governmental IT projects in 2010-2015
Author/Presenter:
Peter Mate Erdosi, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

Paper:
Methods and Tools for Assessing Organization IT Network Vulnerability
Author(s):
Kálmán Hadarics, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Ferenc Leitold, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Ferenc Klein, Secudit, Veszprém, Hungary
Anthony Arrott, Secudit, Veszprém, Hungary
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Paper:
Preparedness for Malware Response at USA Enterprises
Author(s):
Ferenc Leitold, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Anthony Arrott, Secudit, Veszprém, Hungary
Michael Patterson, Plixer International, USA
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Anthony Arrott, Secudit, Veszprém, Hungary

III. Working Group on PA Reform

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016

III. Working Group on PA Reform

Impact of EAS on PA Reforms

Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
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Diana - Camelia Iancu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

The Working Group addresses issues with regard to Public Administration Reform (PAR) in CEE and CIS countries. The WG aims to bring together investigations concerning reform in administrative organisations and institutions, realignment of intergovernmental relations, and organisational learning concerning (inter)governmental cooperation within the framework of EU integration, European Neighbourhood Policy, as well as external and regional cooperation with states in Central Asia.

The WG focuses on the following key themes:
Design of reforms addressing the diffusion of the European Administrative Space (EAS) principles.
Performance management in sustainable implementation of EAS principles.
Mechanisms of developing consolidated administrative capacities as derived from the EAS doctrine.
EAS driven convergence trends in public administration reform and good governance building.

Paper:
Preparing Public Administration in the Republic of Macedonia for European Administrative Space
Author/Presenter:
Iskra Akimovska Maletic, Police Academy, Skopje, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)

Paper:
European Administrative Convergence: Continue (Sustainability) of Lithuanian Civil Service Reform
Author/Presenter:
Simona Statneckyte, Klaipeda University, Klaipeda, Lithuania

Paper:
How Do Policy Makers Perceive Quality and Quality Initiatives - The Case of Serbia
Author(s):
Jelena Ruso, Belgrade University, Belgrade, Serbia
Jovan Filipovic, Belgrade University, Belgrade, Serbia
Mina Nikitovic, Belgrade University, Belgrade, Serbia
Presenter(s):
Jelena Ruso, Belgrade University, Belgrade, Serbia

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III. Working Group on PA Reform
(New) Public Management and PA Reforms in Europe and beyond
Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Veronica Junjan, University of Twente, AE Enschede, Netherlands
Diana - Camelia Iancu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

Paper:
The Public Policies and the Governance of Services of General Interest: The New Role of the Administrative Systems
Author/Presenter:
Lyubimka Andreeva, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Sofia, Bulgaria

Paper:
Fiscal Crisis and Expenditure Cuts: The Influence of Public Management Practices on Cutback Strategies in Europe
Author(s):
Ringa Raudla, Tallinn University of Technology, Tallinn, Estonia
Tiina Randma-Liv, Tallinn University of Technology, Tallinn, Estonia
James Douglas, Tallinn University of Technology, Tallinn, Estonia
Riin Savi, Tallinn University of Technology, Tallinn, Estonia
Presenter(s):
Ringa Raudla, Tallinn University of Technology, Tallinn, Estonia

Paper:
Comparison of NPM and Neo-Weberian Approaches to the Public Administration Reform in Georgia
Author/Presenter:
Nino Dolidze, Georgian Institute of Public Affairs, Tbilisi, Georgia

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III. Working Group on PA Reform

**EAS and Civil Servants Reform**

Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

*WG Programme Coordinators:*

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**Paper:**

**Remuneration of the Civil Service in Slovakia: Transparency and Predictability of the System**

*Author(s):*

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Michal Sedlacko, University of Applied Science FH Campus Wien, Vienna, Austria

*Presenter(s):*

Katarina Staronova, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia

**Paper:**

**What Motivates Civil Servants in Belarus: Money Can’t Buy Happiness**

*Author(s):*

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Natallia Rabava, IPU - Public Administration Research Centre, Minsk, Belarus

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Ina Ramasheuskaya, IPU - Public Administration Research Centre, Minsk, Belarus

**Paper:**

**Citizens’ Perceptions of Public Service Privatization and their Determinants**

*Author/Presenter:*

Heungsuk Choi, Korea University, Seoul, Republic of Korea

**Paper:**

**Job Satisfaction Amongst European Public Sector Executives in a Context of Administrative Reforms**

*Authors/Presenters:*

Gerhard Hammerschmid, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin, Germany
Jessica Breauge Bossdorf, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin, Germany

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**III. Working Group on PA Reform**

**PA Reforms: Legacies, Standards and Effectiveness**

Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

*WG Programme Coordinators:*

Veronica Junjan, University of Twente, AE Enschede, Netherlands
Diana - Camelia Iancu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania
Paper: Side Effects of Standards
Authors/Presenters:
Iwona Sobis, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden
Michiel de Vries, Radboud University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands

Paper: Democratization and Institutional Destruction in Romania
Author(s):
Diana - Camelia Iancu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania
Mihai Ungureanu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania
Presenter(s):
Diana - Camelia Iancu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

Paper: Serbia’s Difficult Administrative Transition to Join the European Administrative Space: Legacy, Traditions and Constraints
Author(s):
Tony Verheijen, The World Bank, Washington, DC, United States
Srdjan Svircev and Raymond Muhula, The World Bank
Presenter(s):
Tony Verheijen, The World Bank, Washington, DC, United States

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III. Working Group on PA Reform

Local PA Reforms in Comparison
Room: Room IV Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Veronica Junjan, University of Twente, AE Enschede, Netherlands
Diana - Camelia Iancu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

Author/Presenter:
Hendri Kroukamp, University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa

Paper: Local Government Capacity in Post-soviet Central Asia
Author/Presenter:
Rustamjon Urinboyev, Lund University, Lund, Sweden

Paper: The Character of the Hungarian Territorial Public Administration
Author/Presenter:
Istvan Stumpf, Széchenyi Istvan University, Gyor, Hungary
III. Working Group on PA Reform

**PA Reforms: Impacts and Long-term Effects**

**Room:** Room IV Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

**WG Programme Coordinators:**
- Veronica Junjan, University of Twente, AE Enschede, Netherlands
- Diana - Camelia Iancu, National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

**Paper:**
- **How Delegation of Powers Impacts Government Efficiency and Effectiveness: Lessons from Russia**
  - **Author/Presenter:** Elena Dobrolyubova, The Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration, Moscow, Russian Federation

**Paper:**
- **Explaining Radical Institutional Change Outside of Critical Junctures: The Strange Abolition of Russia’s Forest Service**
  - **Author/Presenter:** Barbara Lehmbruch, University of Uppsala, Uppsala, Sweden

**Paper:**
- **Impact of Organization Environment on Administrative Coordination: Ministry of Public Administration as a Case Study**
  - **Author/Presenter:** Teo Giljevic, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

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IV. Working Group on Regional Development and Inter-regional Cooperation

**THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  15:00 - 16:30**

**IV. Working Group on Regional Development and Inter-regional Cooperation**

**Inter-state and Inter-regional Cooperation and Development**

**Room:** Room II Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

**WG Programme Coordinators:**
- Alexey Barabashev, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation
- Pat Gray, London Metropolitan University, London, United Kingdom

The topic of the WG “Cultural and governance regional diversity: the perspectives of sustainable economic cooperation of Central and Eastern European regions” examines the challenges of economic development and territorial co-operation in the light of theoretical and practical tensions generated by cultural differences and governance traditions among territories. Inter and outer territorial connections, both for EU members and non-EU countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia, bring to light both best practices and the failures of such cooperation. This WG explores the successes and failures in inter-regional co-operation and regional development through the perspective of differing administrative cultures and governance models and traditions.
Paper:  
**Prospects and Challenges of Cooperation between Belarus and the European Union**  
**Author(s):**  
Yuliya Kasperovich, IPU - Public Administration Research Centre, Minsk, Belarus  
Stanislav Osipov, Research Institute of the Ministry of Economy, Minsk, Belarus  
**Presenter(s):**  
Yuliya Kasperovich, IPU - Public Administration Research Centre, Minsk, Belarus

Paper:  
**Governance and Cross-regional Coordination in Russia's Regional Transformation: Towards a More Cooperative Federalism**  
**Author(s):**  
Carol Leonard, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation  
Irina Ilina, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation  
Evgenij Pliseckij, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation  
**Presenter(s):**  
Carol Leonard, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation

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**IV. Working Group on Regional Development and Inter-regional Cooperation**  
**Municipal Development and Inter-municipal Cooperation**  
Room: Room II Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor  
**WG Programme Coordinators:**  
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Pat Gray, London Metropolitan University, London, United Kingdom

Paper:  
**How to Determine the Optimal Staff Size of Municipalities: A Practice-oriented Approach Using Municipal Registries of Functions and Administrative Processes**  
**Author/Presenter:**  
Ilia Akishin, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation

Paper:  
**Inter-municipal Cooperation: Lessons from a Cross National Analysis**  
**Author(s):**  
Colin Copus, De Montfort University, Leicester, United Kingdom  
Katarzyna Szmigiel-Rawska, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland  
**Presenter(s):**  
Colin Copus, De Montfort University, Leicester, United Kingdom

Paper:  
**Regional and Municipal Strategy Improvement Tool Kit: Variations on Quasi-McKinsey Matrix Usage for Russia**  
**Author(s):**  
Alexey Barabashev, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation  
Sergey Semenov, University of People's Friendship, Moscow, Russian Federation  
**Presenter(s):**  
Alexey Barabashev, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation
IV. Working Group on Regional Development and Inter-regional Cooperation

Regional Human Capital and Training Needs

Room: Room II Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Alexey Barabashev, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation
Pat Gray, London Metropolitan University, London, United Kingdom

Paper:
The Current State of Human Capital and Regional Development - The Case of the Russian Federation
Author/Presenter:
Tatiana Zaytseva, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Moscow, Russian Federation

Paper:
Assessment of Transnational Vocational Training Needs of Public Administration in the Danube Region - Empirical Findings in Hungary
Author(s):
Andras Nemeslaki, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Attila Kiss, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Peter Sasvari, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Presenter(s):
Attila Kiss, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

Paper:
Training of Managers as a Factor of Education and Healthcare Sector Development in the Region of Siberian Federal District
Author/Presenter:
Tatyana Chernyak, The Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration, Moscow, Russian Federation

V. Working Group on Public Finance and Public Finance Management

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016 17:00 - 18:30

V. Working Group on Public Finance and Public Finance Management

Room: Room V Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Juraj Nemec, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic
Lucie Sedmihradská, University of Economics of Prague, Prague, Czech Republic

The WG follows two research tracks: (1) Tax assignment across levels of government. The aim of this track is to answer these and similar questions related to tax assignment, local taxation and its actual usage by local governments. (2) “Better” governmental spending as a reaction to the crisis. The aim of this track is analysis of all aspects connected with the “level” of efficiency and effectiveness of governmental spending in CEE, but also from a broader perspective. This track provides the space for really different types of contributions, such as: - Analysing gaps in public financial management sub-areas (budgeting, procurement, contracting, etc) and possible responses. - Providing examples of successful changes, explaining why positive changes happen. - Providing examples of needed, but failed or unrealised changes, explaining why the situation does not improve.
Paper:
National Policies to Combat Social Spatial Inequalities: Slovakia
Author(s):
Juraj Nemec, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic
Maria Svidronova, University of Matej Bel, Banská Bystrica, Slovakia
Beata Mikusova Merickova, University of Matej Bel, Banská Bystrica, Slovakia
Peter Pisar, University of Matej Bel, Banská Bystrica, Slovakia
Presenter(s):
Juraj Nemec, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic

Paper:
Changes in the Czech Family Policy in the Context of Reducing Public Expenditures
Author/Presenter:
Jana Godarova, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic

Paper:
Housing Problem, Housing Market and Mortgage in the Regions of Russia
Author(s):
Liudmila Guzikova, St. Petersburg State Polytechnical University, St. Petersburg, Russian Federation
Ekatherina Plotnikova, St. Petersburg State Polytechnical University, St. Petersburg, Russian Federation
Presenter(s):
Liudmila Guzikova, St. Petersburg State Polytechnical University, St. Petersburg, Russian Federation

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016 9:00 - 10:30

V. Working Group on Public Finance and Public Finance Management
Room: Room V Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Juraj Nemec, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic
Lucie Sedmihradská, University of Economics of Prague, Prague, Czech Republic

Paper:
Implementation of Rules on Tax Transparency by Croatian Tax Administration: Administrative Capacities on the Test?
Author(s):
Ivana van der Maas, International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation, Amsterdam, Netherlands
Goranka Lalic Novak, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Jasmina Dzinic, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Presenter(s):
Ivana van der Maas, International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Paper:
The Impact of the Crisis on Internal Financial Control in Public Healthcare: The Case of Slovenia
Author(s):
Dejan Ravšelj, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Aleksander Aristovnik, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Presenter(s):
Dejan Ravšelj, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Paper:
Financial Instruments for Better Public Spending - Implementing Mechanisms and Effects
Author/Presenter:
Gyorgyi Nyikos, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
V. Working Group on Public Finance and Public Finance Management

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  14:30 - 16:00

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WG Programme Coordinators:
Juraj Nemec, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic
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Paper:
Is There any Tax-fee Dilemma in the Case of Local Waste Management Financing in the Czech Republic?

Author(s):
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Jana Soukopova, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic
Nikola Krbcová, University of Economics, Prague, Czech Republic

Presenter(s):
Lucie Sedmihradska, University of Economics of Prague, Prague, Czech Republic

Paper:
Local Government Fiscal Autonomy and Taxing Powers in Slovakia

Author(s):
Sona Capkova, University of Matej Bel, Banská Bystrica, Slovakia
Ladislav Poliak, University of Matej Bel, Banská Bystrica, Slovakia

Presenter(s):
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Paper:
Tax Assignment and Fiscal Autonomy in Hungary

Author(s):
Mihaly Lados, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Pecs, Hungary
Adam Monostori, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Pecs, Hungary

Presenter(s):
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FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  16:30 - 17:30

V. Working Group on Public Finance and Public Finance Management

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WG Programme Coordinators:
Juraj Nemec, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic
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Paper:
A Preliminary Evaluation of the Effects of Planned Measures for the Consolidation of Public Finances

Author/Presenter:
Stanka Setnikar-Cankar, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Paper:
Public - Private Cooperation in the Eurasian Economic Union: The Lessons for Belarus

Author/Presenter:
Yuri Krivorotko, Lev Sapieha Foundation, Minsk, Belarus
Paper:
**Fiscal Policy Stance During the Crisis in North and South Europe: A Comparative Approach**

Author(s):
Jernej Mencinger, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Aleksander Aristovnik, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Presenter(s):
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WG Programme Coordinators:
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Paper:
**EU Governance and the European Fund for Strategic Investment**

Author/Presenter:
Frank Naert, Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium

Paper:
**The Expenditure Decentralization - Measurement and Effects on Spending Behaviours of Local Governments - Analysis for Poland**

Author/Presenter:
Agnieszka Kopanska, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland

Paper:
**Evaluation of the Development of Participatory Budgeting in Croatia**

Author/Presenter:
Jan Klasinc, Institute for Public Administration, Zagreb, Croatia

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**VI. Working Group on Public Policy Development Issues**

**THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  15:00 - 16:30**

VI. Working Group on Public Policy Development Issues

**Policy Development Procedures to Ensure Good Governance**

Room: Room VIII Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Lesya Ilchenko-Syuyva, National Academy of Public Administration under the President of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine
Jaroslav Dvorak, Klaipeda University, Klaipeda, Lithuania

Working group on Public Policy Analysis Development Issues continues its work in the framework of public policy analysis methodology, tools and techniques and would like to take a multi-actor approach to policy analysis and policy development. The main topics are focused on:
- Evidence-based policy development and policy making: what really works in practice.
- Policy design and Implementation: from principal-agent to multi-level governance.
- Evaluation: methods, techniques, tools, results and impact assessment.
Paper: The Good State and Governance Report in View of International Examples
Author/Presenter: Gabor Bozso, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

Author/Presenter: Olexandr Kilievych, National Academy of Public Administration under the President of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine

Paper: Improving the Policymaking Process through the Use of Research in Macedonia
Author(s): Veli Kreci, South East European University, Tetovo, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)
Memet Memeti, South East European University, Tetovo, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)
Presenter(s): Veli Kreci, South East European University, Tetovo, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)

Paper: Standards and Templates for Public Policy Analysis: Performance and Obstacles of Implementation
Author/Presenter: Valeriy Tertychka, National Academy of Public Administration under the President of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine

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VI. Working Group on Public Policy Development Issues
Mechanisms and Tools of Sectoral Public Policy Implementation
Room: Room VIII Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Lesya Ilchenko-Syuyva, National Academy of Public Administration under the President of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine
Jaroslav Dvorak, Klaipeda University, Klaipeda, Lithuania

Paper: Estimating the Administrative Costs of Environmental Regulations Using Data on Environmental Expenditures in Industry: A Comparison between “Old” and “New” EU Member States
Author(s): Žiga Kotnik, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Maja Klun, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Presenter(s): Maja Klun, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Paper: Bulgarian Renewable Energy Policy
Author/Presenter: Maria Kotseva-Tikova, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Sofia, Bulgaria

Paper: Does Decentralization Inevitably Lead to Privatization? The Case of Polish Healthcare System
Author/Presenter: Dawid Szescilo, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland
VI. Working Group on Public Policy Development Issues
Assessment and Monitoring of Public Policies

Room: Room VIII Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
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Paper:
Assessment of Cooperation Network between the Municipal Administration and the NGOs (The Kretinga District and the Klaipėda City Municipalities Compared)

Author(s):
Gabriele Burbulyte-Tsiskarishvili, Klaipeda University, Klaipeda, Lithuania
Jaroslav Dvorak, Klaipeda University, Klaipeda, Lithuania
Brigita Barkauskaite, Klaipeda University, Klaipeda, Lithuania

Presenter(s):
Jaroslav Dvorak, Klaipeda University, Klaipeda, Lithuania

Paper:
European Evaluative Space in Progress: Towards Evaluation Standards

Author/Presenter:
Iryna Kravchuk, Ukrainian Evaluation Association, Kyiv, Ukraine

VII. Working Group on Public Administration Education

Thursday, May 19, 2016
15:00 - 16:30

VII. Working Group on Public Administration Education

Room: Room III Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Calin Hintea, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Roger Hamlin, Michigan State University, East Lansing, United States

The object of the Working Group is Public Administration Education in its broadest sense (curriculum development, curriculum technology, e-learning, teaching technology, best practices, research on education, quality assurance, modern management of public administration programmes, a.s.o.). The Working Group focuses on those interested in public administration education because they are in charge of public administration programmes, manage public administration departments or like to share experiences with public administration teaching.

Paper:
Reforming the PA Education System in Hungary - Reflecting the Challenges of the Modern State

Author/Presenter:
Lilla Mária Juhász, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

Paper:
Volunteerism in the EU: The Role of the University

Authors/Presenters:
Thomas Bryer, Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas, Lithuania
Jolanta Vaiciuniene, Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas, Lithuania
VII. Working Group on Public Administration Education

**THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  17:00 - 18:30**

**Room:** Room III Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

**WG Programme Coordinators:**
Calin Hintea, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Roger Hamlin, Michigan State University, East Lansing, United States

**Paper:**
*Research on the Efficiency of Obligatory Civil Servant Training in Hungary*
**Author/Presenter:**
Zsuzsa Darida, Szechenyi Istvan University, Gyor, Hungary

**Paper:**
*Professional Practice/Practicum and BA Public Administration Education*
**Author(s):**
Octavian Moldovan, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Horia Mihai Raboca, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

**Presenter(s):**
Octavian Moldovan, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

**Paper:**
*Person-job Fit Changes as a Consequence of Public Management Reforms in Self-governmental Units*
**Author/Presenter:**
Omar Scharifi, Cracow University of Economics, Krakow, Poland

**Paper:**
*The Reform of Administrative Law Teaching and the Construction of a European Administrative Culture*
**Author/Presenter:**
Sara Sistero, University Jaume I, Castelló de la Plana, Spain

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**WG Programme Coordinators:**
Calin Hintea, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Roger Hamlin, Michigan State University, East Lansing, United States

**Paper:**
*"Disturbing the System": Why Has Leader Development Not Worked and What Can Be Done About It?*
**Author/Presenter:**
Robert Kramer, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

**Paper:**
*Problems of Formation of Anticorruption Competence of Civil Servants in the Process of Learning*
**Author/Presenter:**
Tatyana Chernyak, The Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration, Moscow, Russian Federation
Paper:  
**What kind of Science Is Useful to Civil Servants and what for? On The Possibility of the Transformative Role of Scientific Competences**

**Author/Presenter:**
Michal Sedlacko, University of Applied Science FH Campus Wien, Vienna, Austria

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Paper:  
**Demand and Supply of Public Administration Education in CEE Countries**

**Author(s):**
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Gyorgy Gajduschek, Corvinus University of Budapest, Budapest, Hungary

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**VII. Working Group on Public Administration Education**

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**Paper:**
**Public Administration Study Programs Development Based on Employers’ Competences Requirements: Matrix System of Occupations and Competences**

**Authors/Presenters:**
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**Paper:**
**Establishing a Networking e-University of State and Municipal Management in Russian Federation**

**Author(s):**
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**Paper:**
**Information Security Awareness Knowledge of First Grade Public Administration Students**

**Author/Presenter:**
Gábor Törley, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

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**Paper:**
**Students’ Satisfaction and Performance in the Moodle e-Learning Platform: The Case of Public Administration Programmes**

**Author(s):**
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VIII. Working Group on Local Services and Infrastructure

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016

VIII. Working Group on Local Services and Infrastructure
Room: Room I Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - Ground floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Franco Becchis, Turin School of Local Regulation, Torino, Italy

The main topic: Local services and Infrastructure - Institutions, Regulation, Finance

The working group intends to tackle a deep analysis of EAS, focussing on local services and infrastructures, with an analysis that takes into consideration the following:

- the role of local institutions,
- the absence or presence of a regulatory framework,
- the role of traditional and innovative financial institutions and tools at local level.

Paper:
Local Administration in National Economic Development and Competitiveness Strategies - Searching for the Appropriate Institutional Framework for Private Infrastructure Development in Western Balkan Countries
Author/Presenter:
Tatjana Jovanic, Belgrade University, Belgrade, Serbia

Paper:
Role of NGOs in Public Services Delivery at the Local Level - Case of Poland
Author/Presenter:
Mariusz Sienkiewicz, Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland

Paper:
Management of Municipal Housing Stock in Bulgaria: Ten Years of Experience 2005 - 2015
Author/Presenter:
Nadezhda Bobcheva, Municipal Council of Silistra, Silistra, Bulgaria

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WG Programme Coordinators:
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Paper:
The Assignment of Responsibility and Manifestations of Climate Change Policy. The Climate Change Policy Mechanisms of Polish Local Governments
Author(s):
Katarzyna Szmigiel-Rawska, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland
Jan Erling Klausen, Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research, Oslo, Norway
Presenter(s):
Katarzyna Szmigiel-Rawska, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland
IX. Working Group on Transition, Change and Uncertainty

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  9:00 - 10:30

IX. Working Group on Transition, Change and Uncertainty
Room: Room IX Faculty of Law, Gundulićeva ulica 10, Zagreb - 1st floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
Gyorgy Gajduschek, Corvinus University of Budapest, Budapest, Hungary
Eva Zemandl, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

The Working Group is devoted to change and uncertainty in public administration. More specifically, this WG is looking for answers to the following questions:
1) Is there indeed a significantly higher level of change and subsequent uncertainty in the CEE region? – The hypothesis is that there is a much higher level of change and uncertainty in the region than in Western countries.
2) Is there a linear relationship between the amount of change and the level of uncertainty; or alternatively, some types of change may cause less uncertainty than others? – The hypothesis is that some types of changes (e.g. change decided in a deliberative process, or change that fits to a longer, strategic plan) may cause less uncertainty than others.
3) What are the potential causes of frequently large-sale changes in the region?
4) What are the identifiable effects of these changes?

Paper:
Mapping Omnipresent Change and Sticky Uncertainty in Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe: A Concept Paper for Future Research
Author(s):
Gyorgy Gajduschek, Corvinus University of Budapest, Budapest, Hungary
Eva Zemandl, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
Presenter(s):
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Paper:
Uncertainty, Quality of Governance and the Level of Trust in Public Administration in the European Union’s Member States
Author(s):
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Ciprian Tripon, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Presenter(s):
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Paper:
Rational Tax System in the Light of the Management’s Perception in Poland and Croatia - Evidence from the Field
Author(s):
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Jarosław Marczak, University of Lodz, Lodz, Poland

Presenter(s):
Jasna Bogovac, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia

Paper:
Public Image of the State Administration as a Factor for the Sustainable Development of New Democracies in the EU
Author/Presenter:
Albena Taneva, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Sofia, Bulgaria

Paper:
Factors of Innovation in Public Administration: The Case of Emerging Market Economies in Eastern Europe
Author(s):
Marko Ropret, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Maja Klun, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Janez Stare, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Aleksander Aristovnik, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Presenter(s):
Marko Ropret, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Paper:
Ethical Identity of Local Government Employees: The Case of Poland
Author(s):
Wioleta Karna, Jagiellonian University, Cracow, Poland
Agnieszka Knap-Stefaniuk, Vistula University, Warsaw, Poland

Presenter(s):
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X. Working Group on Non-governmental Organizations

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016

X. Working Group on Non-governmental Organizations

Advocacy

Room: Room III Faculty of Law, Trg maršala Tita 14, Zagreb - 2nd floor

WG Programme Coordinators:
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Michael Brintnall, ASPA National Council, Washington, United States
Reka Zsuzsanna Mathe, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

The interests of a new Working Group on Non-governmental Organisations are broad – to understand the role of NGO’s in governance in the CEE region, to analyse the performance and consequences of this sector, and to explore multi-sector strategies for meeting the public interest. The main questions are focused on the following areas:
- What is the role of NGO’s in governance at the national and local level in CEE countries, and how is this shaped by public attitudes, government policy, legislation, and financial support? How do actual (latent) roles compare with the stated ones, and with those usually found internationally?
- What are examples of existing multi-sector models of governance in the region, in which NGOs and government are seeking to work together?
- What are the techniques for the measurement and assessment of NGOs and multi-sector initiatives, performance, in general and in specific policy arenas?
- What is the current state of teaching and curriculum development about NGO’s and multi-sector governance in schools of public administration, policy and management in the region, and what contributions can there be to improve curriculum and teaching?

Paper:
The Role and the Development Prospects of Watchdog Organizations in the Context of Good Governance in Poland on the Example of the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights

Author/Presenter:
Agnieszka Demczuk, Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland

Paper:
Advocacy in Belarus: The Experiences of Civil Society Organizations

Author(s):
Natalia Rabava, IPU - Public Administration Research Centre, Minsk, Belarus
Dzmitry Markusheuski, IPU - Public Administration Research Centre, Minsk, Belarus
Tatiana Chulitskaya, European Humanities University, SYMPA/BIPART, Belarus,
Vladimir Kovalkin, BIPART Analyst, Belarus,
Irina Vidanova, Expert, Belarus
Presenter(s):
Natalia Rabava, IPU - Public Administration Research Centre, Minsk, Belarus

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X. Working Group on Non-governmental Organizations

Local Government / NGO cooperation

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Reka Zsuzsanna Mathe, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Paper: **Governments Strengthening Civil Society**

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Gyorgy Hajnal, Corvinus University of Budapest, Budapest, Hungary  

*Presenter(s):*  
Reka Zsuzsanna Mathe, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

Paper: **Practical Dimension of the Cooperation between Local Government and Non-governmental Organizations in Poland**

*Author/Presenter:*  
Mariusz Sienkiewicz, Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland

Paper: **Role of Non-governmental Organisations in the Implementation of Local Agenda 21 in the Czech Republic**

*Author(s):*  
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Jacqueline Vochozková, University of Economics of Prague, Prague, Czech Republic  

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**FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016**

9:00 - 10:30

**X. Working Group on Non-governmental Organizations**

**Performance**

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Michael Brintnall, ASPA National Council, Washington, United States  
Reka Zsuzsanna Mathe, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary

*Paper:*  
**Integration of Public Relations with Participatory Practices of Non-governmental Heritage Organizations: A Perspective from Turkey**

*Author/Presenter:*  
Hanzade Uralman, Okan University, Istanbul, Turkey

*Paper:*  
**Financial Consumer Protection and the Role of the NGO’s**

*Author/Presenter:*  
Izabella Tebeli, National University of Public Service, Budapest, Hungary
Social Events

Welcome Evening

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016 20:00 - 23:00

Welcome Evening
Place:  Dverce Palace Katarin trg 6, Gornji grad (Upper City), Zagreb

Conference participants may go directly to the Dverce Palace or, if preferred, meet the conference assistants who will take them to the venue, at the following meeting points:

19:30 In front of the venue at TMT 14
19:45 Main square - Trg bana Jelacica - in front of the statue of Ban Jelacic (man on a horse)
19:45 In front of the funicular in Tomiceva street

Buffet dinner

http://www.shortcuteurope.net/side-events/visits/dverce-palace/
ART DECO Retro Party

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  19:30 - 19:30

Departure by buses to ART DECO Retro Party

Transfer by bus will be organised for conference participants at 19:30 from Palmoticeva ulica 8.

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016  20:00 - 23:00

ART DECO Retro Party

Place:  Phoenix Hotel Sesvetska cesta 29, 10 360 Zagreb

NISPAcee and the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law, have prepared a special evening for your enjoyment and entertainment and all conference participants are welcome to contribute towards making the evening a really funny one and memorable for all of us.

We would therefore like to invite you to dress in ART DECO style clothes for the evening. Please either use your imagination or check out “ART DECO dress” on the internet for inspiration or on our conference web-site. Art Deco Fashion for gentlemen could be summarized in one word: classy. It could be jazzed up with a geometrically patterned tie, paisley shirt, and argyle socks as long as it was done well. The final touch to an outfit was the pocket square, which could be ironed or elegantly fluffed and placed in the breast pocket of the jacket.

The typical look for ladies comprised a short, finger-waved bob with a feathered headband, a drop-waisted, fringed or heavily beaded cocktail dress, over-the-knee stockings and a sexy pair of round-toed heels. Accessorise this look with a long cigarette holder, a long string of pearls, and a feather boa. Flappers often finished the ensemble with a felt, bell-shaped hat called a cloche.

A special award will be presented to the most creative dressed lady and gentleman.

Transfer Point
Palmoticeva ulica 8

TMT 14
Faculty of Law,
Trg maršala Tita 14
Sightseeing trip to Samobor

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016

15:00 - 19:30

Sightseeing trip to Samobor - Option 1

Transfer by bus will be organised for conference participants at **15:00 from Palmoticeva ulica 8.**

**Sightseeing trip without dinner**

15:00 Departure from Zagreb by bus.
16:00 Arrival in Samobor and welcome by the city’s Mayor.
16:30 Tasting of the famous Samobor custard slice “kremsnita” in a candy shop in the main square.
17:00 Tasting of a Bermet (a red wine, fruit and herb aperitif), a local specialty, in the Winery Filipec.
17:30 Tour of the city museum and Prica gallery.
18:00 Free time for a walk through the town.
19:30 Departure to Zagreb.

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016

15:00 - 21:30

Sightseeing trip to Samobor - Option 2

Transfer by bus will be organised for conference participants at **15:00 from Palmoticeva ulica 8.**

**Sightseeing trip with dinner**

15:00 Departure from Zagreb by bus.
16:00 Arrival in Samobor and welcome by the city’s Mayor.
16:30 Tasting of the famous Samobor custard slice “kremsnita” in a candy shop in the main square.
17:00 Tasting of a Bermet (a red wine, fruit and herb aperitif), a local specialty, in the Winery Filipec.
17:30 Tour of the city museum and Prica gallery.
18:00 Free time for a walk through the town.
19:30 Dinner in the restaurant Samoborska klet (several different local menus including one drink).
21:30 Departure to Zagreb.
NISPAcee projects

EUIPPA - European Union Integration Process Promoting Activities

Supported by: Erasmus+ / Jean Monnet Support to Associations
Project coordinator: NISPAcee
Project period: 2014 - 2017
Project objective: To increase awareness, understanding and knowledge about EU public policies to NISPAcee members and the wider public, thus contributing to their EU integration process

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EPAR - Europeanization in Public Administration Reforms

Supported by: Erasmus+ / Jean Monnet projects
Project coordinator: NISPAcee
Project period: 2014 - 2016
Project objective: To increase awareness, understanding and knowledge about EU public policies among researchers in the NISPAcee region and turn their attention to the EU integration processes and their reflection under different areas investigated by different NISPAcee research working groups.

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Capacity Building of NAPA for Open Local Governance

Supported by: SlovakAid, a Slovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs’ Programme
Project coordinator: NISPAcee
Project partners: National Academy of Public Administration under the President of Ukraine
Project period: 2016 - 2017
Project objective: To develop professional training capacities of NAPA in open local governance and to prepare new training modules and materials on 6 selected thematic areas.

Effective Project Management in the Water Sector in Georgia: Implementation of the EU and EBRD Methodologies

Supported by: SlovakAid, a Slovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs’ Programme
Project coordinator: NISPAcee
Project partners: NALAG - National Association of Local Authorities of Georgia
Project period: 2015 - 2017
Project objective: Effective management of projects in the water sector at the municipal level, under the terms of the EU and EBRD. Development of the detailed methodology under the terms of the EU and EBRD and development of professional capacities in Georgia for management of water sector projects.

Effective Project Management in the Water Sector in Georgia: Implementation of the EU and EBRD Methodologies

DEPOCEI - Development of Policy-Oriented Training Programmes in the Context of European Integration

Project coordinator: Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade, Serbia
Project partners: NISPAcee, Polytechnic Institute of Leiria, University of Nis, University of Sarajevo, University of Alicante, University of oehampton, University of Montenegro, University of Tuzla, Belgrade Open School
Project period: 2012 – 2016
Project objective: Building capacities of the targeted Western Balkans universities to research EU public policies and deliver teaching and training courses for public administration, the business community and civil society organisations.


The 24th NISPAcee Annual Conference 2016
Invitation to:

The 25th NISPAcee Annual Conference

May 18 - May 20, 2017

Kazan, Republic of Tatarstan, Russia

Organised in co-operation with the Kazan Federal University

The Main Conference Theme and the Call for papers will be announced in June / July 2016.

Additional conference sessions:
In addition to the sessions on the Main Conference Theme, additional sessions will be organised:
• Plenary sessions
• General Sessions
• Meetings of Working Groups
• Panel Sessions

Important dates in 2016:
Proposals for Working Groups and Panel Sessions to be sent to Juraj Sklenar, NISPAcee Headquarters (sklenar@nispa.org):
Deadline June 30, 2016.
The call for paper proposals for the Working Groups and Panel Sessions will be announced in July 2016.
The online application module with paper proposals will be open in August 2016.
Applications with a paper proposal Deadline September 30, 2016.
Online registration for the conference will be open in December 2016.

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