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Planning and Implementation of EU-Ukraine New Enhanced Agreement

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Introduction

The new EU-Ukraine treaty (New Enhanced Agreement or NEA), if signed, will not only mark a diplomatic success for Ukraine, but also bring new challenges, of which the overwhelming majority would lie in the domestic rather than the foreign policy area. One can say that implementation of the commitments embedded in NEA will require not only political devotion, but also the design and use of a well-developed planning and implementation system for the already undertaken obligations. Implementation will necessitate capable public administration with a lucid understanding of the *acquis communautaire* and motivation to "Europeanise" the state. There are few chances to realise the NEA potential within the current European integration framework in Ukraine, which calls for a comprehensive strategic planning (programming) document, integrating a variety of the required implementing activities



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and whose ownership would be shared by the entire public administration.

The main elements of the current framework of European integration in Ukraine

The European integration framework in Ukraine is special in that it takes place via parallel tracks (processes) represented by the *EU-Ukraine Action Plan* (ENP AP) and the *National Programme for Legal Approximation* (NPLA). While NPLA activities represent a 'voluntary' component, ENP AP is considered to be an obligation of Ukraine before the EU. Legally, the activity of legal approximation is based on a "best efforts" clause and set by the Art. 51 of EU-Ukraine PCA.

Empirically, Ukraine does implement its Action Plan obligations, while the NPLA activities show a poor track record. Furthermore, the day-to-day application of the adopted legal norms is lagging behind both the Action Plan and NPLA dimensions. For this reason, and because of the increasing complexity of commitments under NEA, a serious European integration system upgrade in Ukraine would be needed. The Ukrainian government has already begun some of the transformations in this direction and it is important not to lose the pace in this process.

Approach to programming for NEA implementation

The author advocates the approach to implementation of NEA via development of a programme akin to the National Programme for Adoption

of the *Acquis* (NPAA will be explained further). It provides for increased transparency of the whole process and better coordination for keeping the *status quo*. If a single approach to financing is chosen (now there are different financing modalities within the legal approximation programme and implementation of ENP AP), this would provide for even more financial transparency, ease targeted activity financing and streamline monitoring and evaluation.

The NPAA-type programme was used in all countries joining the EU. As for Ukraine, even if it has not been given a clear EU perspective, NEA provisions would go quite far in terms of economic integration into a single EU market. Finally, an NPAA-type programme makes the whole planning (and implementation) system more manageable by a single body, which, according to the government programme "Ukrainian breakthrough: for people and not for politicians" should meet the goals of the Ukrainian government.

Programming element of the strategic approach to European integration: National programme for adoption of the *acquis* (NPAA)

The core of the planning process is a strategic document (i.e. NPAA) that was developed by almost all "association" countries' governments. One can exemplify NPAA structure, based on the example of the respective Polish document. It is based on the Copenhagen and Madrid Councils' EU membership criteria. One of the Polish NPAA sections – 'Ability to assume the obligations of membership'

contains the *acquis communautaire* and corresponding national transposition and implementation measures relevant to the Ukrainian NEA (deep free trade area) implementation. As this article focuses on legal approximation, it will further highlight only this section of NPAA.

Polish NPAA provides for a **typical structural component** used in the chapter 'Ability to assume the obligations of membership'. The example below uses the *acquis* section 'Free Movement of Goods' which is the first priority in the chapter.

Structure of Priority 1 'Free Movement of Goods' chapter of Polish NPAA

Priority 1. Adjustment of Polish Legislation in the Area of New Approach Directives

This priority consists of 2 main parts as follows:

1. Description of the background of the priority and textual presentation of the general actions to be undertaken.
2. Detailed description of methods of implementation according to the table below.

As can be seen, legal harmonisation is not only about the adoption of laws by Parliament. In the case of Poland, some EU directives were transposed by Governmental ordinances. Generally, implementation requires mobilising the full range of normative tools. At the same time, NPAA *per se* does not normally go deeper than specifying laws/ordinances and particular activities. When the aim of activity is established, line executives (ministries) have discretion in the method of implementation, as long as they provide for full implementation.

Content	Required details	Example
I. PRIORITY DESCRIPTION		
1. FINAL OBJECTIVE		Full harmonisation and implementation of Community legislation in the area of conformity assessment of products and metrological control of measuring devices.
2. INTERMEDIATE OBJECTIVES		Adjustment of the Polish Accreditation Centre, established on 1 January 2001, to European standards, concerning accreditation, so that Poland becomes a member of the European Co-operation for Accreditation (EA).
3. IMPLEMENTING INSTITUTIONS	1. Leading institution. 2. Co-operating institutions.	Leading institution: Ministry of Economy Co-operating institutions: Ministry of Post and Telecommunications, Ministry of Health.
II. METHODS OF IMPLEMENTATION		
1. SHORT ASSESSMENT OF THE EXTENT OF INCOMPATIBILITY OF THE POLISH LAW WITH THE ACQUIS COMMUNAUTAIRE		
2. SCHEDULE OF NECESSARY LEGISLATIVE CHANGES (new draft laws and amending drafts, ordinances of Government)	1. Title and number of Community act. 2. Title of drafted Polish act (including responsible drafting institution). 3. Date of submission for interministerial coordination. 4. Date of approval by the Council of Ministers or appropriate minister. 5. Expected date of: 1) adoption by Parliament; 2) entry into force.	1. Council Directive 8/378/EEC of 3 May 1988 [OJ L 187/88] on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning the safety of toys. 2. Ordinance of the Council of Ministers to the law on general product safety concerning safety of toys (Office for Competition and Consumer Protection). 3. 19.01.2001 4. II quarter 2001 5. 2) 1 July 2002
3. NECESSARY INSTITUTIONAL CHANGES	1. Contents of changes. 2. Existing or planned legal grounds for change. 3. Implementation deadline.	1. Market surveillance in the field of new approach directives. 2. Modification of currently applicable regulations. 3. I-II quart. 2002.
4. ADDITIONAL ACTIONS NECESSARY FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE OF NEW LEGAL REGULATIONS OR CREATION OF INSTITUTIONS ¹	1. Short description of actions. 2. Implementation deadline.	1. Keeping economic operators informed about changes to conformity assessment systems. 2. On-going activity.
III. FINANCING: NECESSARY EXPENDITURES AND SOURCES OF FINANCING IN THE YEARS 2001-2002		
Classification ²	Examples	Breakdown for every line
Cost category/costs and sources of their financing	1. Investments (infrastructure. Equipment). 2. Employment of new personnel. 3. Training. 4. Expert opinion/legal opinion. Consultations. 5. Translation. 6. Other.	1. Years. 2. Budget (1000PLN). 3. PHARE (1000EUR). 4. Total PLN.

Preparation and implementation of NPAA - Polish experience

The Polish NPAA was designed when accession negotiations with the EU were underway. This situation is not equivalent to the current EU-Ukraine relations. However, as the level of

detail of the EU-Ukraine Action Plan is already comparable to Accession Partnership provisions (which are based on the Europe Agreement³), Polish NPAA is relevant for Ukraine. NEA provisions would probably go even deeper – closer to Accession Partnership dispositions, which were key to Polish accession negotiations.

Polish priorities for the implementation of the *acquis communautaire* were reflective of the

1 "Additional actions..." part includes, among other things, personnel training activities and other capacity building actions

2 This breakdown is done separately for every institution, e.g. Ministry of Economy, Polish Accreditation Centre etc.

3 The Polish Europe Agreement did not include detailed annexes on legal approximation, as is expected for Ukraine.

White paper "Preparation of the Associated Countries of Central and Eastern Europe for integration into the internal market of the union" (1995), created with the participation of the Member States. Providing for short-, medium- and long-term objectives of the Polish administration, it became the first road map in the integration process.

NPAA preparation was coordinated by UKIE⁴, whereby every ministry elaborated its own element of the programme, including background information and tables of measures

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and thereby assuming corresponding commitments. Line ministries prepared parts of the programme according to their policy-making competences. Authorities regularly revised NPAA for precisions and amendments. Twice a year, Poland provided information to the European Commission before the Commission issued its reports.

Elaboration of the Polish NPAA was not aided by any permanent EU technical assistance project. At the same time, a number of EU consultants were always available through the European Commission's Delegation representation in Warsaw. Many capacity building activities for line ministries took place to assist in the preparation of drafts of the respective parts of NPAA.

The different parts of the Polish NPAA were consulted upon with the European partners during sub-committee meetings, which are similar to the current setting in Ukraine, where Action Plan measures are agreed at the level of the EU-Ukraine Co-operation Committee's sub-committees.

Poland adopted two types of structures to make European integration work: (1) departments of European affairs in every ministry charged with the coordination of European integration activities; (2) inter-ministerial task forces (formed due to the multidisciplinary nature of many issues which required not only internal, but also external, expertise in different fields). Thus during NPAA implementation, many task forces were created for specific sectoral and inter-sectoral issues. They consisted of the representatives of the relevant state bodies and external experts. The task forces were responsible for drafting (sets of) legal acts. UKIE

agreed the working timetable with both line ministries and all task forces. The approach was to analyse a particular piece of the *acquis*, define which fields it belonged to and then compose a task force (intra- or interministerial) including professionals or quick learners able to solve a particular problem. Whenever experts participated in the drafting of task forces, they had only a consultative status.

UKIE representatives (including its Secretary) had frequent meetings with line ministers and line ministerial staff regarding implementation. One line of communication and assessment took place in writing: what was agreed, what has been done, are there any lags in implementation, and why was it so. Apart from that, the UKIE Secretary also met line ministers and ministerial staff personally (in a group). When ministries did not comply with the preliminary agreed deadlines, they were held responsible for the problem (via the prime-ministerial channel if necessary). This system worked relatively efficiently.

A powerful tool used in the process of the *acquis* implementation was a requirement for line ministries to prepare drafts of all the necessary secondary acts, as a package to be used for the implementation of a draft law. This method is characterised by heavy supplementary drafting needs and thus was not popular among civil servants. However, occasional usage of this requirement can be justified.

During EU accession, Poland made use of a system of compliance checks with the *acquis communautaire*. Overall it was similar to the current Ukrainian system. However, unlike today's Ukraine, the Polish non-compliance was considered a block

on the way to accession and, as such, was taken much more seriously.

Recommendations as to organisation of planning and implementation processes in Ukraine

NPAA-type programme

In order to successfully implement NEA provisions, the Ukrainian government will develop an NPAA-type programme that will provide for a very clear mandate for domestic reforms and a reference point for any (successive) government (governmental programme) taking into account the following:

- NPAA-type programme should become the programme of domestic reforms, a reference point for any (successive) government (governmental programme). NPAA should provide for a very clear road map and for a possibility to adjust it according to the dynamics of EU-Ukraine relations, decisions of EU-Ukraine bilateral bodies and the individual priorities of Ukraine.
- NPAA-type document requires financial estimations, at least on the level of forecasts. Rough estimates as to the resource needs of different reforms and measures can be taken from NPAA documents of other countries (e.g. Poland, Turkey).
- It is necessary to link NPAA tasks with all the available opportunities to engage technical assistance resources from the EU, MSs and other national and international donors.
- Currently 80 to 90 % of all the new laws regulating economic activity in Poland relate to the *acquis communautaire*. While in case of Ukraine and



its 'less binding' obligations this ratio may be smaller, *acquis communautaire* should become an important point of reference in Ukraine during any drafting process in economic domain.

Administrative structures for *acquis* implementation

It is important to ensure an understanding of NEA implementation planning by public servants. The available supplementary materials from the European Commission may facilitate this task. For instance, a reference (catalogue) on 'typical' administrative structures, required for implementation of the *acquis communautaire*, can be used. This document was compiled on the eve of EU enlargement of 2004 and should serve as a solid point of reference⁵. There is a chance that a fresher version of this document will feature in EU-Croatia negotiations.

Planning

Implementation of NEA places significant expenses on the Ukrainian government, certain categories of market participants and on low-income consumers. However, efficient use of sequencing, transitional periods and the EU technical assistance allow a decrease in such costs. Therefore, the rational approach dictates analys-

ing the *acquis* offered for implementation and investigating both impacts and inter-relations between their norms, followed by development of an implementation scenario. Regulatory impact assessment serves as an essential tool here.

Implementation of NPAA should not require separate action plans, as NPAA itself serves this purpose directly. This further increases the importance of sufficient participation of the executive bodies which will later implement the planned measures. Overall, such involvement is required at all stages: negotiations, programming for implementation and implementation itself.

Implementation of NEA

The enormous investment requirements brought about by the implementation of the EU norms can be significantly reduced in the case of a well-thought-out involvement of business. In this sense, an improved version of PPP law is crucial.

The introduction of the mandatory requirement to draft a package of secondary legislation, together with draft laws, provides a strong impulse for improving implementation. However, as this might impose a heavy burden on bureaucracy, the Ukrainian government should consider a selective application of this requirement

– for the areas which exhibit the biggest lack of implementation.

An additional way to 'rationalise' implementation of NEA is to achieve the best synergy possible between WTO compliance activities and EU norms' implementation. While conducting planning for NEA implementation, one should take into account that implementation of the deep free trade area component of NEA may, at least partially, coincide with the WTO commitments' implementation. In order to be more precise here, it is necessary to analyse a working party document of Ukraine on the accession of Ukraine to WTO.

Full version of the whole paper is available at the NISPAcee web site www.nispa.org section Publications/Newsletter/Spring 2009.

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⁵ Please contact the author to receive this document



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<http://www.tol.cz/>

The site of TOL – Transition Online founded as a Czech non-profit organization in April 1999. As an online magazine, TOL has continued that renowned heritage in new and innovative ways, increasing the timeliness, amount, reach, and area of coverage, and adding a network of correspondents that stretches across the region. TOL has the energy of a young Internet project, but with the solidity, knowledge, and confidence of a media tradition dating back a decade of transition. With a network of more than 50 correspondents, and a reputation for insightful and local-oriented coverage, TOL has grown into a reliable, internationally recognized brand that continues to challenge and change conventional media wisdom.



<http://www.ceecn.net/>

Central and Eastern European Citizens Network was created to provide opportunities for grassroots citizens initiatives from CEE region to learn, exchange experiences and ideas as well as enhance their organizational growth through establishing and managing a partner relationship among themselves.



<http://www.wmd.org/cee-nis/ceenis.html>

The World Movement for Democracy is a global network of democrats, including activists, practitioners, academics, policy makers, and funders, who have come together to cooperate in the promotion of democracy. The WMD is focused on the regional networking and resources in Caucasus, Central Asia, Central Europe, Eastern Europe & Baltics, Russia, South Eastern Europe, Ukraine.

Calendar of Events

March 27, 2009, Symposium
"Europe, Globalisation and Crisis: New Developments for the Lisbon Agenda"

Place: Lisbon, Portugal

Organiser:

Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation
 The Symposium will launch the book "Europe, Globalisation and the Lisbon Agenda" authored by Maria Joao Rodrigues with other European authors.

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April 2–3, 2009, Academic Conference
"Innovation for Good Local and Regional Governance – A European Challenge"

Place:

campus of the University of Twente, Enschede, The Netherlands

Organiser:

Institute of Governance Studies, School for Management & Governance, University of Twente

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http://www.europeanchallenge.eu/

April 13–18, 2009, The XVI International Student, Post-graduate and Young Scientists Conference "Lomonosov"

Language:

Russian and English

Place: Lomonosov Moscow State University, Lomonosovsky prospect 27 bld 4, Moscow, Russia

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April 23–24, 2009, Conference
"Eastern European eGovernment Days 2009: eGovernment & eBusiness Ecosystem & eJustice"

Place: Brevnov Monastery, Prague, Czech Republic

Language: English

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April 23–25, 2009, International, Academic and Research Conference
"The Training of Personnel for State and Municipal Service in the Conditions of Reforms: The Dialogue of Authority, Science and Education"

Place:

Siberian Academy of Public Administration, Novosibirsk, Russia

Deadline: March 25, 2009

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April 23–25, 2009, 3rd International Conference: "Steady Economic Development: Condition, Problems and Prospects"

Organiser: Poleski State University, Pinsk, Belarus.

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April 23, 2009, 9th Scientific Conference for Junior Researches
"Urgent Issues of Economics and Management"

Place: Siauliai, Lithuania

Deadline: April 15, 2009

Language: Lithuanian, English, Russian

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April 24, 2009, 7th International Scientific Conference: "Legal, Political and Economic Initiatives Towards Europe of Knowledge"

Place: Kaunas, Lithuania

Organiser:

Kaunas University of Technology, Institute of Europe (IE)

Language: English

Fee: 50 EUR

Deadline: March 20, 2009

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index.php?option=com_

frontpage&Itemid=1

April 24–26, 2009, Prague Conference on Political Economy

Place: Prague, Czech Republic

Organiser: The Liberální Institute, The Faculty of Economics and Public Administration

Language: English

Fee: 95 €

Deadline: ongoing

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May 8–9, 2009, Scientific Conference "Accounting and Performance Management Perspectives in Business and Public Sector Organizations"

Place: Tartu, Estonia

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May 8–9, 2009, Conference "Social Policies and Public Administration within the European Context"

Sections:

- I. Public administration.
- II. Sociology- Social assistance.
- III. Economic regional development

Language: Romanian, English, French and German

Place: Resita, Romania

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May 18–23, 2009, Training:
“Managing Conflicts and Urban Development in Multiethnic Communities: International Training for Policymakers”

Place: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: LGI/OSI

Language: English

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web:

<http://lgi.osi.hu> (see: Events)
 or directly to: <http://lgi.osi.hu/documents.php?id=2425>

May 20 – June 4, 2009, Trans-Atlantic Summer Institute: Transitions in Central and Eastern Europe: Culture, Society, Politics

Place: Krakow, Poland

Organiser: The Center for German & European Studies, University of Minnesota in cooperation with the Institute of Geography and Spatial Management and the Institute of Sociology at Jagiellonian University

The Institute is intended for graduate-level students working toward a Ph.D. or other terminal degree.

Language: English

Fee:

All fellows will receive a fellowship to cover most expenses.

Deadline: March 15, 2009

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May 21–22, 2009, Conference
“Communicative Revolution? Media and Social Change in Eastern Europe After 1989”

Place: Vilnius, Lithuania

Organiser: European Humanities University, Center for Advanced Studies and Education (CASE), Visual and Cultural Studies Laboratory at EHU

Language: English, Russian

Deadline: March 15, 2009

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May 22–23, 2009, The 3rd International Conference “Implications of Global Economic Crisis”

Place: Bucharest, Romania

Organiser:

National School of Political and Administrative Studies (SNSPA)

Language:

English, French, Romanian

Deadline: March 31, 2009

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May 27–29, 2009, The 7th Annual International Conference “Public Administration in the XXI century: traditions and innovations”

Place: Lomonosov Moscow State University Campus, I Academic Building (1 Uchebny Korpus), Lomonosovsky prospect 27, Moscow, Russia

Language: Russian and English (interpreters will be provided)

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May 28–30, 2009, XX. Slovenian Political Science Conference
“The End of Democracy? New Movements and Paradigmas”

Place: Grand hotel Metropol, Portoroz, Slovenia

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May 29, 2009, Conference “Democratic Governance: Science, Education, Practice”

Organiser: National Academy of Public Administration, Office of the President of Ukraine

Place: Kyiv, Ukraine

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June 1–5, 2009, Summer School “Interactive Methods in Teaching Professionals for Public Administration”

Organiser: School of Public Administration, Lomonosov Moscow State, Russian Association of Schools and Institutes of Public Administration

Place: Moscow, Russia

Language: Russian

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June 18–19, 2009, Third International Symposium on the Development of Public Administration in Southeast Europe

Place: Ljubljana, Slovenia

Language: English

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June 18–20, 2009, The third PhD Students’ International Conference: “Europe in Motion: Soci-



ety, Labour Market and Sustainability in the Age of Migration"

Place:

Bratislava, Slovak Republic

Organiser: Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Proforum (Progressive Forum)

Language: English

Fee: The accommodation and food, as well as travel expenses, of successful applicants will be covered by the organizer.

Deadline: March 20, 2009,
Paper submission: June 10, 2009.

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June 29 – July 8, 2009, Summer University "Managing for Integrity: Strategies and Approaches"

Organiser: Center for Policy Studies (CPS), Central European University, Budapest, Hungary and Tiri, Making Integrity work, London

Language: English

Deadline: for applications:
March 31, 2009

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<http://www.sun.ceu.hu/02-courses/course-sites/integrity/index-integrity.php>

July 7–11, 2009, Annual Conference of the IASIA: "History and Future of Nation-building. The role of public administrations,

civil servants and public finances in nation-building"

Language:

English, French, Finish

Place: Helsinki, Finland

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July 23–25, 2009, 7th ICAFT International Conference on Accounting and Finance in Transition

Place: Old Royal Naval College, Greenwich, London, UK

Deadline: for papers:

April 20, 2009

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August 02–16, 2009, Summer School: "Rocking the Boat' in EU-Russia Relations: Who, How and Why?"

Place: University of Tartu, Institute of Government and Politics, Tartu, Estonia

Organiser:

The Standing Group on International Relations (ECPR)

Language: English

Deadline: March 15, 2009

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August 3–9, 2009, Annual Conference of the IASIA: "Governance for Sustainable Development: implications for public administration education and practice"

Language:

English, French, Portuguese

Place: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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September 2–4, 2009, The 7th Convention of CEEISA: "Borders on Our Mind, Borders of the Mind"

Place:

School of International Relations,
St.-Petersburg State University

Organiser: Central and East European International Studies Association (CEEISA)

Language: English

Deadline: March 2, 2009.

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September 2–5, 2009, Annual Conference of the EGPA: "The Public Service: Service Delivery in the Information Age"

Language: English

Place: St. Julian, Malta

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web: www.egpa2009.com

September 10–12, 2009, IX Chemnitz East Forum “Conflicts, frictions and paradoxes in CEE Management”

Place: Chemnitz, Germany
Organiser: Chemnitz East Forum
Language: English

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September 25–26, 2009, Conference: “Markets as Networks”

Place: Sofia, Bulgaria
Organiser: ISA, RC02 “Economy and Society”, the Department of Sociology, Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski” and the Bulgarian Sociological Association
Language: English

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October 7–9, 2009, The 3rd Central European Conference in Regional Science

Place: Kosice, Slovakia
Language: English (Slovak in one conference section)

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October 8–9, 2009, Conference “Social Sciences in Global World: Possibilities, Challenges and Perspectives”

Place: Klaipeda, Lithuania
Organiser: The Baltic Sea Region University Network, Regional Policy and Planning Institute (Klaipeda University), Faculty of Social Sciences (Klaipeda University)

Language: English

Fee: 95 €

Deadline: April 1, 2009

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October 14–16, 2009, International Scientific Conference “Pro-Social Instruments of Organisation Management”

Place: Cracow, Poland
Organiser: Faculty of Management and Social Communication, Jagiellonian University

Contact:

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October 16–18, 2009, Conference “Central Europe 1989: Lessons and Legacies”

Place: Lawrence, USA
Organiser: The Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies at the University of Kansas

Language: English

Deadline: May 1, 2009

Contact:

CE1989, CREES, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS, USA,
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“CE1989” in the subject line),
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October 22–24, 2009, International Conference “Economic, Political and Societal Position and Role of the European Union and its Member States in the Time of Global Instability”

Place: Lipica, Slovenia

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November 26–29, 2009, The 5th Russian Congress of Political Science**Place:**

Moscow, Russian Federation
Organiser: Russian Political Science Association
Language: Russian, English/Russian translation for some sessions.

Contact:

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Events of the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA), Maastricht, Netherlands

June 10–12, October 28–30, 2009, European Negotiations I – Techniques to Manage Procedures, Processes and Package Deals to Survive European Negotiations
Place: Maastricht

April 23–24, November 19–20, 2009, European Negotiations II – You and the EU: Techniques to Manage Interpersonal and Intercultural Relationships in European Negotiations
Place: Maastricht

May 11–12, 2009, European Negotiations III – Managing Negotiations under Codecision
Place: Brussels

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April 2–3, 2009, Seminar “Practical Tools for National Implementation”

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April 22–24, 2009, International Seminar “Developing the Evaluation of Public Policies: Comparative Experiences”

Place: Barcelona (ES)

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May 4–6, 2009, 6th practical seminar “How to Develop a Convincing Project Strategy for EU Funding: Do’s & Don’ts for Local and Regional Actors”

Place: Barcelona (ES)

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Events of the Faculty of Economics, University of Rijeka, Croatia

April 1–4, 2009, The 7th International Scientific Conference “Economic Integrations, Competition and Cooperation”

Language: English/French

Place: Opatija, Croatia

July 6–18, 2009, The 5th International Jean Monnet Summer School “International Environment and European Integrations”

Language: English

Place: Rijeka, Croatia

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Events of the Faculty of Economics, Law and Administrative Sciences of the “Petru Maior” University of Tirgu Mures, Romania

April 3–5, 2009, 5th International Students Spring Competition “Public Law and Public Administration in the European Union – Topical Issues and Prospects”

April 10, 2009, Seminar: “Discussions Concerning the Penal Code and code of Penal Procedure Bills in Romania”

Language: English, French and Romanian

June 25–26, 2009, Seminar on European Fiscality

Language:

English, French and Romanian

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Events of the Kharkiv Regional Institute of Public Administration, NAPA, Ukraine

Language: Ukrainian

April 2009, Round Table “Priority Ways of Civil Servants’ Speech Training in Ukraine”

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June 2009, Round table: “The Application of Innovative Technologies of Personnel Work in Personnel Services’ Activity”

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June 2009, Round Table “Introduction of Innovative Technolo-

gies in the Personnel Service Activity”

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September 25, 2009, Thematic seminar: “Social services: Ukrainian Realities and Foreign Experience”

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September 25, 2009, Theoretical and Practical Conference based on the Students’ Internship “Public Administration Democratic Standards”

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Events of the Institute for Budgetary and Socio-Economic Research, Kyiv, Ukraine

April – May 2009, Slovak-Ukraine International Conference on Cross-Border Cooperation “Strategy of Competitiveness of Cross-Border Regions in Ukraine”

May – June 2009, Slovak-Ukraine International Conference on Fiscal Decentralization “Experience of fiscal decentralization in Slovakia for Ukraine”

Language:

Ukrainian, Slovak, English

June 2009, Financial and Economic Forum

Language: Ukrainian, English

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CALLS

Studies/ Programmes/ Fellowships/ Jobs

Full-time Assistant Professor in Public Policy – specialized in cultural policy

Institution/Organiser: The Department of Public Policy at the Central European University

Kind of support/work: Full-time Assistant Professor

Duration: The starting date for the two positions is August 2009

Place: Budapest, Hungary

Topics:

The one full-time position at level of Assistant Professor in the field of public policy and public management, with a special focus on cultural policy. The Assistant Professor specializing in cultural policy will teach core courses in public policy and public management as well as one or two courses on cultural policy. This position includes responsibility for managing the DPP's cultural policy stream, which is a specialization within the MA in Public Policy.

Eligibility:

Applicants should have a publication record in public policy and engage in high-quality policy-oriented research. Research and/or teaching experience in cultural policy is required; specialization in the fields of public administration and public management is an advantage. Minimum requirements include: a PhD in Public Policy, Political Science or International Relations; a track record in public policy research; ability to develop and deliver graduate courses in the field of public policy, ability to develop and deliver graduate courses in cultural policy, ability to produce outstanding academic research and international publications.

Deadline: March 31, 2009

Contact:

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Central European University,
C/o Eva Tornyo, Human Resources Office, Nador utca 9,
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<http://www.dpp.ceu.hu/about>

An initiative of the German National Academic Foundation and The Hertie Foundation

Institution/Organiser: The Studienkolleg zu Berlin is a joint initiative of the German National Academic Foundation and The Hertie Foundation, in cooperation with the Berlin Institute for Advanced Study and the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities.

Duration: The programme starts at the end of September with an introductory week and ends in July of the next year with the ceremonial presentation of certificates.

Place:

Berlin/Brandenburg, Germany

Topics:

The programme endows excellent students with vital awareness about the objectives and values of Europe in preparation for their future duties and responsibilities in the worlds of science, business, politics, culture and administration. It enables participants to experience European diversity and provides them with an opportunity to

explore their own questions – beyond the borders of academic disciplines, the different European countries and the university system. For the foreign students a German class is provided. The Studienkolleg's language is German.

Eligibility:

For Foreign Candidates: EU-citizenship; for citizens of other European countries exceptions are possible; good knowledge of the German language as well as of one other European foreign language (spoken and written); applications through the nomination by one of the foundations' cooperation partners in Germany or a foreign country; a second reference by another academic has to be added to the application; independent applications are possible as long as two references by two academics are included in the application; current academic student (of any discipline); completion of basic studies (in at the least third year of study in one discipline); up to 28 years old; excellent academic achievements.

Deadline: April 1, 2009

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Post-doctoral Fellowship in Social Sciences

Institution/Organiser: Masaryk University, Faculty of Social Studies

Kind of support/work: fellow

Duration: 10 month: September 15, 2009- June 30, 2010

Place: Brno, Czech Republic

Topics: The PhD. post-doctoral fellowship programme is designed to promote mutual openness, understanding, and co-operation among university teachers and researchers in the social sciences in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe. The organizers offer monthly fellowship equivalent to assistant professor salary for the length of the stay; housing allowance; office space at the faculty with a personal computer, email account and access to the university information system and all electronic resources; a stimulating environment supporting mutual co-operation with colleagues at the Faculty of Social Studies.

Eligibility: The applicants should: be P.D. graduates at the time of taking up the fellowship; have the ability to prepare and lead courses at the undergraduate level and have at least some experience in conducting such a course in the following social sciences fields: international relations and European studies, media studies and journalism, political science, psychology, social work and public policy, socially-oriented environmental studies, sociology, social anthropology, gender studies, strategic and security studies; have completed at least a threemonth stay at a foreign university or research institute, including teaching in English.

Deadline: April 15, 2009

Contact:

Masaryk University,
Faculty of Social Studies,
Office for International Relations,
Jostova 10, 602 00 Brno,
Czech Republic,
e-mail: int@fss.muni.cz,
web: <http://www.security-research.at/?p=253>

The Doctoral Program of the Cologne Graduate School in Management, Economics, and Social Sciences (CGS)

Institution/Organiser: The Cologne Graduate School in Management, Economics, and Social Sciences (CGS)

Kind of support/work: fellow

Duration: three years from October 2009

Place: Cologne, Germany

Topics: A three-year doctoral program is offered to outstanding students holding a Master's degree (or German Diploma or equivalent) in Management, Economics and Social Sciences. During the first year, students will take part in courses on multidisciplinary methods and theories and subject-specific courses. During the second and third year, students mainly conduct research and work on their thesis. Students are encouraged to spend one term abroad. For excellent students with a Master's degree (or German Diploma or equivalent), the CGS offers a limited number of scholarships (1,200 Euro per month). The maximum duration of a scholarship is three years.

Eligibility: The CGS is looking for excellent students who are close to finishing their Master's degree (or German Diploma or equivalent) and who count among the top 10 % of graduates in their faculty.

Deadline: April 30, 2009

Contact:

Cologne Graduate School in Management, Economics and Social Sciences, Albertus-Magnus-Platz, 50931 Cologne, Germany,
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web: <http://www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/cgs/application.html>

Aleksanteri Visiting Fellowships for 2009–2010

Institution/Organiser: The Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki

Duration: The duration of the research period can range from two to six months.

Place: Helsinki, Finland

Topics: The Aleksanteri Institute Visiting Scholar Programme awards Aleksanteri Visiting Fellowships to highly qualified scholars who are pursuing research on Russia and Eastern Europe in themes related to the Institute's research agenda. The programme awards Fellowships that provide a monthly grant and the use of office space and facilities. The Fellowship enables Visiting Fellows to devote full-time attention to research and to engage with the Russian and Eastern European studies community at the Aleksanteri Institute.

Eligibility:

The Fellowship is intended for scholars who hold a PhD degree in a relevant field and whose place of residence is outside of Finland.

Deadline: March 6, 2009. Applications are to be submitted electronically via e-mail and should include: An application form, which can be downloaded at http://www.helsinki.fi/aleksanteri/english/fellowship/how_to_apply.html;

A letter of introduction stating the purpose of the research stay and giving a description of how the Fellowship is expected to contribute both to the Applicant's own research and to the research agenda of the Aleksanteri Institute; A research proposal of no more than 2500 words that describes the ongoing research and specifies which part

of it is intended to be carried out during the research visit; The applicant's CV; A list of relevant publications.

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Postdoctoral fellowship at the Center for Research on Inequalities and the Life Course (CIQLE)

Institution/Organiser: The Center for Research on Inequalities and the Life Course (CIQLE)

Kind of support/work: fellow

Duration: one or more years, starting in Fall 2009

Place: New Haven, USA

Topics: The Center for Research on Inequalities and the Life Course (CIQLE) seeks applications for a postdoctoral fellowship for one or more years, to start in Fall 2009. Candidates should be interested in empirical research on the processes that generate inequalities of social class, race/ethnicity, generation, and gender across the life course and have experience on working with longitudinal data. Applicants should expect to use 50 % of their time for research collaboration with CIQLE faculty and/or making use of the CIQLE data archive. Current stipends are approximately \$38,500 per year plus benefits.

Eligibility: Applicants should have completed their Ph.D. by the beginning of the appointment but not earlier than 2006.

Deadline: April 03, 2009

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International Doctoral Program in Social Sciences 2009

Institution/Organiser: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Kind of support/work: fellow

Duration: three years from October 2009

Place: Berlin, Germany

Topics: The Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences (BGSS) is an international program designed to promote doctoral research in the social sciences at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. Doctoral training at the BGSS is interdisciplinary with a strong sociology and political science focus. The research agenda of the BGSS is centered on the comparative analysis of: varieties of social inclusion (problems of class structure and social inequality as well as problems of cultural heterogeneity, identity politics and social conflict); varieties of democracy (structure, actors and performance of mature and young democracies, transition to democracy and autocracy, hybrid regimes, problems of welfare states and capitalism, European integration). The organizers offer positions as doctoral researchers covering three years beginning in October 2009. Members of the doctoral program who are not funded by other institutions will be awarded scholarships of 1200€/month for up to three years, contingent on the successful completion of each year. In addition, we offer a professional work environment and support for research stays abroad. The organizers offer positions as pre-doctoral candidates in the introductory year. These individuals can receive

funding in the amount of 650€/month.

Eligibility: Minimum Requirements are M.A. degree or equivalent (Magister, Diploma) in Social Sciences (Sociology, Political Science, International Studies); English language proficiency at C1-level or equivalent

Deadline: March 31, 2009

Contact:

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin,
Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences, Unter den Linden 6, D-10099 Berlin, Germany,

e-mail: bgss@rz.hu-berlin.de,

web:

<http://www.bgss.hu-berlin.de/docpro/admissions/app1%202009>

The Eugene and Daymel Shklar Fellowships in Ukrainian Studies

Institution/Organiser: The Ukrainian Research Institute

Kind of support/work: fellow

Duration:

from three to eight months

Place: Cambridge, USA

Topics: The Eugene and Daymel Shklar Fellowships in Ukrainian Studies brings scholars from the international academic community to Harvard for focused research on projects concerning Ukrainian history, literature, philology, culture, and other fields in the humanities and social sciences. In addition to carrying out their own research, Shklar Fellows participate in the scholarly life of the University, and offer a formal presentation based on original research as part of the Institute's seminars in Ukrainian studies. To support their stay at Harvard, Eugene and Daymel Shklar Fellows are provided with a stipend of \$3,300 per month to cover the cost of housing, health insurance, and other living expenses. In addition to the stipend, the award also cov-

ers the cost of direct roundtrip travel to Harvard University.

Eligibility: Individuals who hold a doctorate in one of the fields listed above and who have demonstrated a commitment to Ukrainian studies are eligible to apply. Those individuals who have received their Ph.D. or its academic equivalent (e.g., Kandidat nauk) within the past eight to ten years are especially encouraged to apply.

Deadline: March 13, 2009

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MA programmes in European Studies/Central and Eastern European Studies

Institution/Organiser: the Centre for European Studies, Jagiellonian University

Kind of support/work: MA programme

Duration:

the 2009/10 academic year

Place: Krakow, Poland

Topics: The MA degrees focus on one of two tracks: European Studies or Central and Eastern European Studies. This is a high-level postgraduate course taught in English. Over the course of two to four semesters of study, students follow core, specialization and optional classes in an array of fields according to their interests, including politics, EU affairs, literature, history, economics and Jewish studies. Language classes, an MA seminar and a thesis are

also elements of the programme. Double Award Programme MA in European Studies/European Governance Applications are also invited to MA in European Studies/European Governance Double Award programme offered in conjunction with the University of Kent. This MA is ideal for students wishing to study in two centres of excellence in different parts of Europe – one year is spent in Krakow and the next in Canterbury or vice-versa – and gain an advanced understanding of the EU to deepen their knowledge and to prepare for a career in European affairs. It adopts a multi-disciplinary approach drawing from a wide range of courses in politics, international relations, law, economics and sociology, with particular focus on constitutional design, processes of decision-making, public policy analysis and the role of the EU in the world.

Deadline: March 15, 2009

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2009 International Scholars Fellowship

Institution/Organiser:

The Academic Fellowship Program (AFP)

Kind of support/work: fellow

Duration:

2009–2010 academic year

Topics: The Academic Fellowship Program (AFP) announces the 2009–10 competition for the International Scholars Fellowship. The program invites

highly qualified scholars in the social sciences and humanities to consult at carefully selected university departments in the AFP region: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Macedonia, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Russia, Serbia, Tajikistan, and Ukraine. Fellowships include a modest stipend, transportation, accommodation, and various other allowances, begin in August or September 2009, last one academic year, and are renewable. Those selected for the fellowship (International Scholars) offer advice on the overall reform agenda of AFP partner departments and share with departmental colleagues the latest developments in their discipline, collaborate on the introduction of new courses, and encourage the development of skills critical to academic work.

Eligibility: A PhD (or highest degree awarded) in: anthropology, area/cultural studies, economics, gender studies, history, human rights & public law, international relations, journalism/media studies, philosophy, political science, psychology, public policy/public health, social work and sociology. Applicants must be senior or well-established academics currently employed by an institution of higher education. Recent degree recipients will NOT be considered.

Deadline: April 7, 2009

Contact:

Open Society Institute, Academic Fellowship Program, Higher Education Support Program, October 6 utca 12, H-1051, Budapest, Hungary,

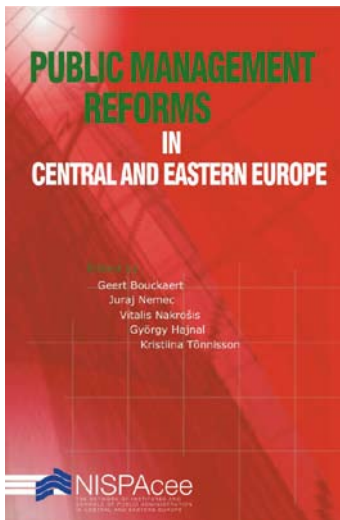
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Recent Publications



Public Management Reforms in Central and Eastern Europe

Editors: Geert Bouckaert, Juraj Nemec, Vitalis Nakrosis, György Hajnal, Kristiina Tonnisson

Publisher: NISPAcee

Resume:

This book provides an overview of countries in transition – some are part of the EU, others are not (yet). Even if starting positions, sizes, economic capacities and political directions are quite different, there is some geographical and historical commonality. If there is one indicator to consider this book as ‘successful’, it is that people will read it to know what goes on beyond the broader lines, and that this exercise will be replicated in another, let’s say, ten years. Then this study will be part of a collective scientific memory – a European memory for the future. The country studies presented in the main body of this book provide comprehensive information about public administration and public management reforms in selected states of Central and Eastern Europe. The tries to summarise the main findings and formulate some conclusions from the point of view of the main idea of this book.

Contact: NISPAcee

Winning the Needed Change: Saving our Planet Earth. A Global Public Service

Editors: Ignacio Pichardo Paganza, Demetrios Argyriades

Publisher: IOS Press/ Volume 30 International Institute of Administrative Sciences Monographs

Price: 54 GBP

Language: English (with chapters and abstracts in French and Spanish)

Resume:

According to this volume, the way out of the crisis, afflicting large parts of the world right at this very moment, goes through reinforcing the structures and processes of governance but, more than anything else, rediscovering the importance and redefining the role of the human factor in governance. Written by a group of scholars from all the world’s main regions, this volume begins by revisiting the notion of global governance already once explored in the first volume “World We Could Win”. It then moves on to draw the contours of the corps of “Global Public Servants”, which represents the book’s core concept, contribution and proposal for reform. Though rooted in the practices of major international organizations, the present volume makes some new recommendations intended to overcome the main observable weaknesses in their administration and operations. It also outlines an institutional framework and certain basic prerequisites for public service professionals to enable them to play a meaningful role, indeed exert some influence and have the needed impact in dealing with the challenges confronting global governance. Cross-culturally conceived and written in three languages, this addition to the series of the IIAS on global

governance issues is a “must” for any student or scholar of the subject, as well as a needed addition to university libraries and centres of research.

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The Forms of Regional and Local Development

Authors: Dzupka, Hudec, Klimovsky, Suhanyi, Sebova, Urbancikova, Zelinsky

Publisher: Technical University of Kosice, Slovakia

Price: 15 EUR

Language: Slovak

Resume:

The monograph is centred on various issues linked to territorial planning and development of rural as well as urban areas in the Slovak conditions. There are several chapters involved in the monograph: Region as a System and its Development; Local Economic Development; Actors of Development Policy at a Local and Regional Level; Sustainable Development Indicators; Regional Disparities in Poverty Perspective; Human and Social Capital and Regional Development; Practical Evaluation Possibilities of Structural Funds’ Impacts on Regional Economic Performance. The authors deal not only with various theoretical approaches in these chapters but also present relevant empirical findings. With respect to the mentioned information, the monograph is dedicated in terms of its contents to both academic and practical utilization.

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+421-903-563 362,**fax:** +421-55-602 3294,**web:** www.cers.tuke.sk**Minority Rights in Central and Eastern Europe****Editor:**

Bernd Rechel, Birmingham University, UK

Publisher:

Routledge December 2008

Series: BASEES/Routledge Series on Russian and East European Studies**Price:** 80 GBP/160USD**Resume:**

This book provides a comprehensive assessment of minority rights in Central and Eastern Europe, covering all the countries of the region that have joined the EU since 2004, including Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovenia, Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, Slovakia, Romania and Bulgaria. For each country it outlines the major developments since 1989, highlights the salient issues in minority rights politics, assesses the actual implementation of policies and legislation, explores the roles that domestic and international factors have played – including the impact of the EU succession process – and discusses whether there have been any major changes once EU accession was secured. Overall, this book is designed for all those interested in European integration and minority rights politics, as well as for specialists on Central and Eastern Europe. £80.00/160USD.

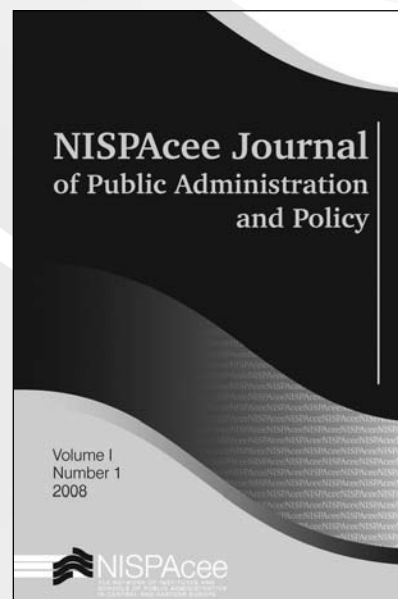
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<http://www.routledge.com/books/Minority-Rights-in-Central-and-Eastern-Europe-ISBN9780415451857>

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Invitation & Call For Registration

The NISPAce 17th Annual Conference State and Administration in a Changing World

14–16 May, 2009, Budva, Montenegro

Organised in co-operation with the Government of the Republic of Montenegro, the Human Resources Management Authority



The Conference programme will include the opening and closing plenary sessions, general sessions, working sessions on the main conference theme, specialised panels and meetings of NISPAce Working Groups which will run in parallel.

Panels & Forums

- Panel on Health Care, Reforms and Implementation
- Panel on Integrity in Local Authority Areas
- Panel on Policy Analysis Development Issues
- EAPAA Forum
- Fair of New Project Proposals

Working Groups

- I. Working Group on Local Government
- II. Working Group on e-Government
- III. Working Group on Civil Service
- IV. Working Group on PA Reform
- V. Working Group on Public Sector Finance and Accounting
- VI. Working Group on Capacity Building of a Civil Servants'

Training System According to EU Requirements

Conference Venue

The NISPAce Annual meeting will be held in the conference premises of the **Hotel Splendid**, Budva – Becici.

Conference Fees

The conference fee covers organizational costs, full conference documentation, an access to all scientific activities and a CD with all conference presentations.

The fees for the participation in the conference are to be paid by **March 31st, 2009** (in EUR):

Members (from outside of NISPAce region) **300 €**

- NISPAce Non-Members (from outside of NISPAce region) **390 €**

Additional fee for registration after the deadline (March 31, 2009) **100 €**

Conference Deadlines

SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL PAPER: **April 10, 2009**

DEADLINE FOR THE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:

March 31, 2009

(Additional fee for registration after the deadline – 100 €)



- The participants from NISPAce Institutional Members and NISPAce Individual Members (from NISPAce region) **100 €**

- NISPAce Non-Members (from NISPAce region) **200 €**

- The participants from NISPAce Associate Members and NISPAce Individual Mem-

CONFERENCE PAYMENTS (for fees, lunches):
March 31, 2009

All additional information about next year's conference will be published on the NISPAce website: www.nispa.org

The Winner of the Alena Brunovska Award 2009

Dr. Mirko Vintar

is Full Professor at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Administration in the fields of Administrative Information Systems and E-government at undergraduate and graduate level. He has been visiting professor at several European universities.

His research interests are focused in particular on Informatisation of Public Administration, Document management systems, Development and implementation of e-commerce in public sector, Organisational, social and economic aspects of e-government, E-government metrics, etc. He has been author or co-author of more than hundred scientific articles in different national and international journals, monograph publications and conference proceedings.



He has been chairing or co-chairing numerous working groups in particular within NISPACee and EGPA annual conferences. He has been actively involved in founding and further development of NISPACee, its steering committee member (1993–1998), organis-

ing its two annual conferences (Bled, 1995, Ljubljana, 2006), two Summer Schools (Portorož 1994, Prague 1997) and co-editor of several books published by NISPACee. He has been or still is also member of several other international committees, EGPA steering committee (2000–2006), DEXA, E-gov Programme Committee and IFIP TC 13. He is also member of the national scientific counsel at Slovenian Research Agency.

He has been heading several international R&D projects under EU FP6, FP7 and TEMPUS programs and national research and development projects.

Currently Professor Mirko Vintar is a Vice Dean for Research at the Faculty of Administration and Head of Institute for Informatisation of Administration.

Translation of Selected Publications into CEE National Languages

The publication project is supported by the LGPSRI/OSI (Local Government and Public Service Reform Initiative affiliated with the Open Society Institute), Budapest, Hungary. The goal of this project is to translate relevant publications from the field from English to CEE national languages based on requests and needs of governmental institutions or NISPACee member institutions from CEE countries. The objective of the project is to make publications, which were developed and published with an aim to provide

decision-makers, civil servants as well as academics from CEE countries with a tool which could help them in the transition period and reform efforts, accessible for them in their native language.

How to apply

Eligibility is limited to members of NISPACee and other institutions with professional interest in public administration in Central and Eastern Europe; Applicants will have to prove the utility of the translated publications in their respective countries, the distribution policy, quality of translation, and an

ability to cover the distribution costs; Priority will be given to institutions, which will distribute the publication at their own expense; Applicants should determine clear overall calculation of costs of translation (checking/editing) and publishing (priority will be given to reasonable price quotes for translation and publishing).

Please send letters of inquiry and applications to NISPACee Secretariat.

The deadline:
March 31, 2009

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NISPAcee MEMBERSHIP

Presently, the NISPAcee enlists 122 Institutional members (from 23 countries), 28 Associate members (from 15 countries), 11 Individual members (from 7 countries).

New Institutional members of the NISPAcee

Institute of Public Affairs, Jagiellonian University, Cracow, Poland

Faculty of Economic and Administrative Sciences, "Eftimie Murgu" University Resita, Resita, Romania

Slovenian Political Sciences Association, Ljubljana, Slovenia

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