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UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW JULY 15 – 18, 2011

THE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN THE BUILDING OF THE OLD LIBRARY (STARA BIBLIOTEKA)

Friday, July 15

4:00 PM OPENING CEREMONY

INAUGURAL SESSION

BY VALDAS ADAMKUS

„From Common History to Common Future”

Friday, July 15, 5 p.m.

Round Table I

The Soviet Union Collapse – the Greatest Geopolitical Catastrophe of the Twentieth Century

Saturday, July 16, 7 p.m.

Round Table II

Years of Independence – the Balance of Profits and

Losses. What remains of the Independence of the Former

Socialist Camp?

Sunday, July 17, 7 p.m.

Round Table III

Old and New Divisions in Europe: how to avoid a new

Iron Curtain?

Monday, July 18

7:30 PM CLOSING CEREMONY

DAY 1 – Friday – July 15

OPENING CEREMONY

Round Table I

DAY 2 – Saturday – July 16

Session I

Session II

Session III

Round Table II

DAY 3 – Sunday – July 17

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Session III

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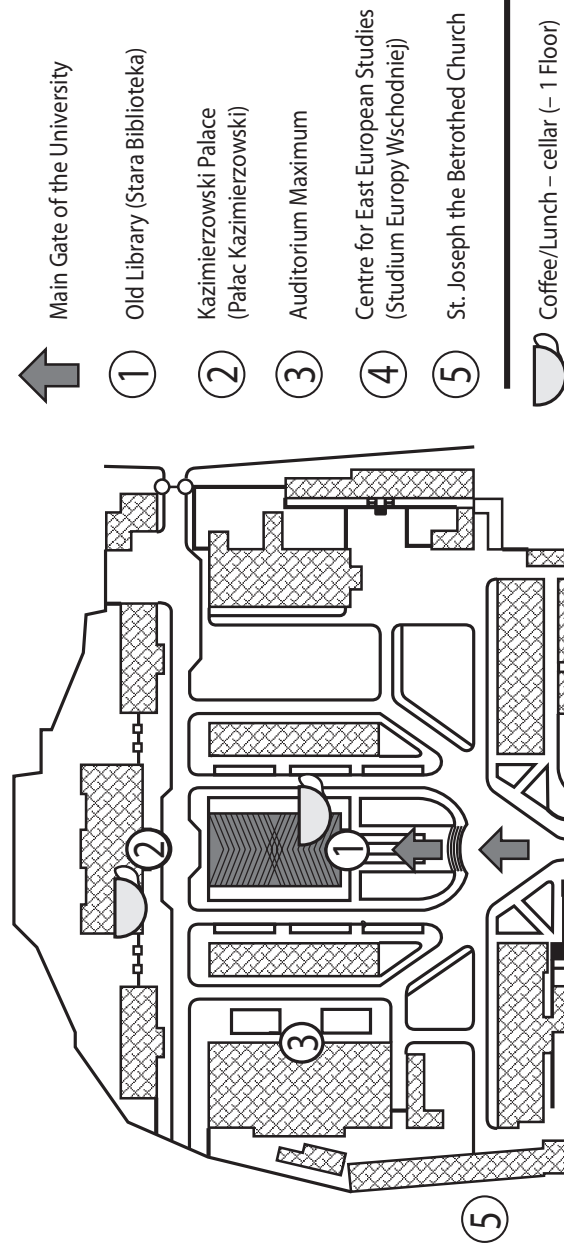
DAY 4 – Monday – July 18

Session I

Session II

CLOSING CEREMONY

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**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
Education for All**

1991 — 2011
**20 YEARS OF
INDEPENDENCE
OF POST-SOVIET
COUNTRIES**

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FROM WŁODZIMIERZ LENGAUER

Professor, University of Warsaw

Vice-Rector for Research and International Relations

It is with great satisfaction that I pronounce that the Warsaw East European Conference is already an eighth year old tradition of our University. The very existence of this tradition is proof that meetings of this kind are highly appreciated and important, if not necessary.

The Warsaw East European Conference provides a great opportunity for many scholars interested in research on Central and Eastern Europe, not only to meet, but to exchange ideas and to present the results of their work with the aim of developing them even further. This conference was always an inspiration for many new studies, particularly those carried out by younger scholars.



The University of Warsaw, the biggest and according to the last ranking the best university in Poland, has in the last few years strongly enlarged its field of studies. And now it belongs to the most important research centres in this part of Europe. Eastern Studies have a very important place in its research projects, as do its programs for students.

I believe the subject of the conference entitled : “1991 – 2011. 20 years of independence of post-Soviet countries” is full of many ideas thought provoking and very inspiring.

During the conference in Warsaw, over 200 people will have an opportunity, I will stress again, to develop their scientific skills. But also to have hundreds

of conversations and meetings with their colleagues from different countries. This conference is a place for meetings and discussions of specialists on Eastern affairs and I am convinced that the fact that English will be the conference language will prove rather helpful, than an obstacle.

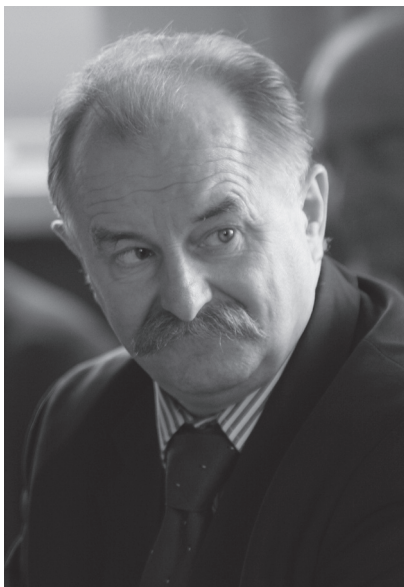
I would like to express my gratitude to the Centre for East European Studies, which organizes the WEEC. For many years the Centre has been organizing sessions, schools and scholarship programs. It must be said, however, that the Warsaw East European Conference is an event of unusual value because it has become the place to connect East with West, right here in Warsaw.

Dear participants of Warsaw East European Conference 2011!

On behalf of the authorities of the University of Warsaw I thank you for coming and wish you great speeches, effective discussions, an excellent atmosphere, wonderful impressions from Warsaw, and of course from our University.

FROM JAN MALICKI

*Director, Warsaw East European Conference,
Centre for East European Studies, University of Warsaw*



This is the eighth time we meet here in Warsaw at the opening ceremony of the annual Warsaw East European Conference. This is again a wonderful opportunity to see some old friends and meet new ones. It is also a possibility to discuss and confront sometimes similar and sometimes different views on the recent history of our region. This year we have an honour to host president Valdas Adamkus, who visited our Centre several times during the conference and the East European Summer School. But today President Adamkus will present an inaugural lecture - "From Common History to Common Future", which could be a symbolic motto of this

year's conference. Symbolic – because this year marks 20 years since the former Soviet Union countries gained or regained their freedom and independence.

In August 1991, communist hardliners tried a death-or-glory tactic to save the Soviet Union - seizing power by force. Their coup failed and the Soviet Union was dead within months. The collapse of the Soviet Union has not only led to the creation of a new world order, but transformed the lives of all those who once lived there. The demise of one empire led to the birth of 15 independent countries. The changes have been profound - economic, political, social and psychological. That is why the title of this year's Warsaw East European Conference, Eighth Annual Session, is **"1991 – 2011. 20 years of independence of post-Soviet countries"**.

The main focus will be put on the two decades since 1991, which marked the demise of the Soviet Union. We continue debate on transformation in politics and policies, in economics, international relations and in culture of the post-Soviet republics. The transformations that occurred since then constitute the essence of “a post-Soviet dispensation”. We will focus on the reality of post-communism and try to answer the question whether avowed purpose of creating democracy in the post-Soviet countries has transformed the way politics and society operate throughout the region.

The last eighth years, during which the Warsaw East European Conference has been held, have been full of very valuable experiences, starting with the many months of laborious organizational preparations. Each year it reminds us of the finer points of discipline, teamwork and devotion to an idea. It ends with a wonderful effect, when we see all of you gathered here at the conference, full of interest and scientific focus, presenting and debating. This final effect makes it all worthwhile. It should be remembered that the first steps were made in 2004, during the Special Convention of the Association for the Studies of Nationalities, which gave birth to the concept of the WEEC.

The conference is structured according to a classical American conference system, with English as the official language and discussion panels (almost 30 this year). Among these are the opening ceremony, the round table discussions and three presentations. This gives the participants from all over the world a better opportunity to communicate, exchange thoughts and ideas, and establish a debate. Moreover, it creates an opportunity to make this conference an international event of great importance to specialists on Eastern matters.

This year we have over 200 participants – speakers and listeners of the conference have come from all over the world: North America, Western Europe, Central and East Europe, and Central Asia. I would like to emphasize that the largest group of participants are our guests from Ukraine and Russia. This is most likely because geographically they are much closer than some of our other guests, but regardless of this, we warmly welcome you all.

I would like to thank all participants for coming and I hope that you will be satisfied. May you enjoy the conference, leave with fond memories and return next year!

Let the conference begin!

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JULY 15–18, 2011

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WARSAW UNIVERSITY,

July 15 – 18, 2011

GENERAL PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, JULY 15 – DAY 1		
Registration: 12.00 AM - 4.00 PM Old Library, ground floor		
	4:00 PM – 4:45 PM	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Old Library, Main Auditorium	1991–2011 20 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE OF POST-SOVIET COUNTRIES OPENING CEREMONY VALDAS ADAMKUS, former President of Lithuania “FROM COMMON HISTORY TO COMMON FUTURE”	Round Table I “THE SOVIET UNION COLLAPSE- THE GREATEST GEOPOLITICAL CATASTROPHE OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY?”

SATURDAY, JULY 16 - DAY 2				
Registration: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Old Library, ground floor				
	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	12:30 PM - 2:30 PM	2:30 PM - 4:00 PM LUNCH TIME	
Room 111		4. Legal Aspects of Transformation	8. Presentation: Polish-Georgian Cultural Relationship. First Georgian Translation of “Pan Tadeusz” by Vitali Ugrikhelidze	
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7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Old Library, Main Auditorium		Round Table II “20 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE - THE BALANCE OF PROFITS AND LOSSES, WHAT REMAINS OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE FORMER SOCIALIST CAMP?”		

SUNDAY, JULY 17 - DAY 3				
Registration: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Old Library, ground floor				
	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	2:30 PM – 4:00 PM LUNCH TIME	
Room 111	12. Presentation of the Joint Polish-Ukrainian Project: Renovation of the Pre-War University of Warsaw Astronomical Observatory on the Mount Pop Ivan	16. The EU's Eastern Policy		
Room 116	13. The Evolution of the Political System of Russian Federation	17. Between Global and Local. Changing Identities.	20. The South Caucasus - Political Transformation.	
Room 211	14. Political Transformation in Ukraine. Democratization.	18. Economic Transformation of Post-Communist Countries: Success or Failure? New Suggestions for Economic Solutions.	21. “Civil Society” and Democratic Development in the Countries of the Region	
Room 216	15. The South Caucasus - Security Problems	19. Historical Policies in Ukraine, Belarus and Russia.	22. Rediscovering Belarus	
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM Room 105		PRESENTATION: “NEW PROMETHEUS” JOURNAL („NOWY PROMETEUSZ”)		
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Old Library, Main Auditorium		Round Table III “OLD AND NEW DIVISIONS IN EUROPE: HOW TO AVOID A NEW IRON CURTAIN?”		

MONDAY, JULY 18 - DAY 4					
Registration: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Old Library, ground floor					
	12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	2:30 PM – 4:00 PM LUNCH TIME		
Room 111	23. Presentation: New Publications of the Centre: Warsaw East European Review, Journal “Obóz”	27. Presentation: Information Bulletin of the Centre for East European Studies (Biuletyn Informacyjny Studium - BIS)	CLOSING CEREMONY Old Library, Main Auditorium		
Room 116	24. Belarus - between East and West	28. Poland and Ukraine			
Room 211	25. The Left Wing in the East after the Soviet Collapse	29. Education in Post-Soviet Countries. East European and Central Asian Studies			
Room 216	26. The Black Sea: Regional Integration or Disintegration?	30. Belarus: State, Army and Ideology			



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entitled

1991 – 2011:

20 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE OF POST-SOVIET COUNTRIES

OPENING CEREMONY:

Friday, the Fifteenth of July, 2011 at Four o'clock

University of Warsaw, Old Library

WELCOME BY:

WŁODZIMIERZ LENGAUER

Vice-Rector of the University of Warsaw

and

Jan Malicki, Director of the Centre for East European Studies

Warsaw East European Conference

OPENING SPEECH:

JERZY POMIANOWSKI

Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland

INAUGURAL LECTURE:

VALDAS ADAMKUS

former President of the Republic of Lithuania

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CLOSING CEREMONY:

Monday, the Eighteenth of July, 2011 at Four o'clock

University of Warsaw, Old Library

FINAL DISCUSSION:

Eastern Partnership

KRZYSZTOF STANOWSKI

Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland

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FRIDAY – DAY 1, JULY 15

Schedule

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4:00 PM – 4:45 PM	OPENING CEREMONY <u>VALDAS ADAMKUS,</u> former President of Lithuania “FROM COMMON HISTORY TO COMMON FUTURE”
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	ROUND TABLE I “THE SOVIET UNION COLLAPSE- THE GREATEST GEOPOLITICAL CATASTROPHE OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY?”
7:15 PM – 7.30 PM	WEEC 2011 WELCOME GLASS OF WINE.

**FRIDAY, JULY 15,
5:00 PM**

**ROUND TABLE I
THE SOVIET UNION COLLAPSE-
THE GREATEST GEOPOLITICAL
CATASTROPHE OF THE TWENTIETH
CENTURY?**

MODERATOR:

Marcin Zaborowski, Polish expert on international relations. He received Ph.D. in International Studies from the University of Birmingham in Great Britain and was awarded a Chevening Fellowship by the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office. He served as Director of the Transatlantic Program and Senior Research Fellow at the European Union Institute for Security Studies in Paris. He was Assistant to the Under-Secretary of State at the Ministry of Economics in Warsaw. He is a Senior Fellow at the Center for European Policy Analysis. Presently he is a Director of the Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM) in Warsaw.

PARTICIPANTS:

Maksym Strikha, Ukrainian scientist, politician and social activist. Former Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine (2008-2010). He is an interpreter of American and Russian poetry. He has a PhD in mathematics and physics. He works in the Institute of Physics at the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences. He is a professor at the Department of Radiology of the T. Shevchenko National Kiev University. He chairs the Institute of Translation at the Humanities Faculty of the B. Grichenko Kiev University.

Stanisław Ciosek, Polish politician and diplomat. In the period 1972-1985 he was a Member of Parliament. He was the ambassador of Poland in the Soviet Union and in Russia in the period 1989-1996. During the presidency of Aleksander Kwasniewski he was his advisor on foreign policy issues, mainly the Eastern policy.

Allan C. Lynch, American scientist and expert. Professor of politics in the Woodrow Wilson Department of Politics at the University of Virginia and former director of the university's Center for Russian & East European Studies (1993–2008).

Since 1988 he is Executive Vice-President, Feris Foundation of America, Inc.(a foundation for education and research in international studies). Graduated Columbia University and State University of New York at Stony Brook. He is a former assistant director of the W. Averell Harriman Institute for Advanced Study of the Soviet Union at Columbia University. He is the author of several books, including *Does Russia Have a Democratic Future?* (1997), *How Russia Is Not Ruled: Reflections on Russian Political Development* (2005) and *Vladimir Putin and Russian Statecraft* (2011).

Artiom Malgin, Russian scientist and expert. He is an Counsellor to the Rector of the Moscow State University of International Relations (MGIMO). He is also a member of the Polish-Russian Group on Difficult Matters. He graduated MGIMO. He works at the Institute of Foreign Policy. His main fields of interests are: European Union integration policy, politics in the Mediterranean region, foreign policy of the Russian Federation and post-soviet studies.





Asim Mollazade, Azeri politician and expert Doctor of Medicine. He worked for the Presidential Administration and as a Special Presidential Envoy on talks with Armenia over the war conflict (1992-93). Since 1994 he is a deputy chairman of the Popular Front Party of Azerbaijan on international affairs

and a co-founder and a vice-president of the Democracy Development Foundation. Since 1998 he is a founder and a president of the Euro-Atlantic Centre of Azerbaijan. Since 2000 he is a MP to the Azerbaijani Parliament and a member of the International Affairs Commission. Since 2001 - delegate to the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly (PACE). Presently Dr Mollazade is a Chairman of the Democratic Reforms Party.



SATURDAY, JULY 16 - DAY 2				
Registration: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Old Library, ground floor				
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SATURDAY – DAY 2, JULY 16

Schedule

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10:00 AM – 12:00 AM	SESSION I
12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	SESSION II
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	LUNCH TIME
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	SESSION III
6:15 PM – 6:45 PM	DAILY CONFERENCE SUMMARY
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	ROUND TABLE II “20 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE – THE BALANCE OF PROFITS AND LOSSES. WHAT REMAINS OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE FORMER SOCIALIST CAMP?”



**PRESENTATION
JULY 16 - DAY 2
4:00 PM / ROOM 111**

POLISH-GEORGIAN CULTURAL RELATIONSHIP. PRESENTATION OF THE FIRST GEORGIAN TRANSLATION OF “PAN TADEUSZ”

DAVID KOLBAIA (POLAND)
UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW

NINO SHEKRILADZE (POLAND)
EMBASSY OF GEORGIA, WARSAW

KS. HENRYK PAPROCKI (POLAND)
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UHLAN REGIMENT. DURING THE NAZI OCCUPATION, HE HID THE JEWS. IN 1945, HE JOINED THE SECOND CORPSE OF ANDERS' ARMY. ON EMIGRATION IN LONDON, HE ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED IN THE THEN VIVID CULTURAL LIFE OF POLISH EMIGRANTS. HE WROTE ARTICLES TO GEORGIAN EMIGRATION PUBLICATIONS IN PARIS. HE TRANSLATED THE WORKS OF MICHAŁ BALUCKI, ALEKSANDER FREDRO AND JAN PARANDOWSKI INTO GEORGIAN. HIS TRANSLATION OF *PAN TADEUSZ* WAS DONE IN TRIBUTE TO POLAND AND THE POLES.



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THE WORK HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN A SPECIAL, EXQUISITE COVER AND FORMAT, AND IT WILL BE PRESENTED TO EXTRAORDINARY REPRESENTATIVES OF GEORGIAN POLITICS, CULTURE AND BUSINESS.

DAY 2 – SATURDAY – JULY 16

SESSION I - 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

1. HISTORICAL POLICIES AND RECONCILIATION IN EAST CENTRAL EUROPE.

Chair: WAWRZYNIEC KONARSKI (Poland)
Jagiellonian University in Krakow

Participants: MARIYA SENYCH (Ukraine)
University of Warsaw
**Polish-Ukrainian Reconciliation in Political
Conceptions of Parisian Monthly “Kultura”**
LAURA VALERIA GHEORGHIU (Romania)
West University Timisoara
**Law, Morality and Power: The Thin Bridge
between Freedom and Death**
HARUKA MIYAZAKI (Japan)
Hokkaido University, Sapporo
The Afterimage of Rzeczpospolita
DARIUSZ MATELSKI (Poland)
Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań
**Effects of Polish Cultural Heritage Restoration
of the Soviet Successor States**
Discussant: PAWEŁ UKIELSKI (Poland)
The Warsaw Rising Museum

2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF EAST CENTRAL EUROPE.

Chair: TOMASZ ŻYLICZ (Poland)
University of Warsaw

DAY 2 – SATURDAY – JULY 16

- Participants:** RICHARD HUNTER (United States)
Seton Hall University, South Orange
Reflections on Twenty Years of Political and Economic Change in Poland and Central and Eastern Europe
- OLEKSANDR SVIDER (Ukraine)
Kamenets-Podilskiy National University
Investment Marketing for Improving Efficiency and Attracting Foreign Direct Investment
- PAWEŁ STEFANEK (Poland)
Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin
Modern Estonian Economic Development in the View of the Estonia's Economic History
- KIRA SPIRIDONOVA (Ukraine)
Pridneprovsk State Academy of the Civil Engineering and Architecture, Dnepropetrovsk
Outsourcing as an Instrument of Costs Reduction for Building Companies

3. PROBLEMS OF POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL TRANSFORMATION IN ASIA.

- Chair:** KRZYSZTOF GAWLIKOWSKI (Poland)
Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw
- Participants:** KRZYSZTOF GAWLIKOWSKI (Poland)
Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw
The Four Models of the Post-Communist Transformation
- SAYYOD NURITDINOV (Uzbekistan)
Bukhara State University
Development of Science in Uzbekistan: Two Decades of Reforms and Role of Politics

DAY 2 – SATURDAY – JULY 16

MAUNG THAN HTUN AUNNG (Poland)
Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw
Real Socialism in Burma: Political Education of Youth under the General Ne Win Regime (1962-1988)

SESSION II - 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

4. LEGAL ASPECTS OF TRANSFORMATION

Chair: ANTONI KAMIŃSKI (Poland)
Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw

Participants: NATALIA ANISIMOVA (Germany)
University of Regensburg
Legal Transplants in the Constitutional Law of Modern Poland and Russia
VIKTORIYA BOYKO (Ukraine)
Ivan Franko National University, Lviv
Peculiarities of Legal Consciousness of Ukrainian Citizens after Gaining Independence
MATEUSZ TRAWIŃSKI (Poland)
Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń
Incentives that Lead to Lawlessness. How to Create Pervert State Institutions? The Case of Poland
OLGA MASHTALER (Ukraine)
National University of "Kyiv Mohyla Academy"
Constitutional Initiatives in Ukraine during 2010-2011: Outcomes and Prospects

5. POST-SOVIET OR POST-COMMUNIST? DYNAMIC DIMENSIONS OF THE DEMOCRATIC DIVIDE

DAY 2 – SATURDAY – JULY 16

Chair: KAZIMIERZ SŁOMCZYŃSKI (USA)

Ohio State University, Columbus

Participants: SARAH GRUNBERG (Poland)

Graduate School of Social Research, Warsaw

**Collective Memory of Authoritarianism in
Post-Communist Democracy: Martial Law as
Remembered by Children of Solidarity Activists**

NICOLINA DUMITRAS (Moldova)

Graduate School for Social Research, Warsaw

**One Jumps and the Other Stumbles:
Evolutionary Paths of Women's NGOs in Poland
and Moldova**

JOSHUA KJERULF DUBROW (United States)

Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw

**Democracy, Economic Situation and Political
Inequality of Voice in Post-Communist and
Post-Soviet States**

KAZIMIERZ M. SŁOMCZYŃSKI (United States)

Ohio State University, Columbus

**Dividing Europe: Democracy, Inequality,
Trust and Protest**

6. ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION OF POST -COMMUNIST COUNTRIES: SUCCESS OR FAILURE?

Chair: KATARZYNA ŻUKROWSKA (Poland)

Warsaw School of Economics

Participants: MYROSLAVA HOFMANN (Ukraine)

Kamenets-Podilskiy National University

**Enterprise Management Taking into Account
Market Reaction**

KAZIMIERZ DADAK (Poland)

Hollins University, Roanoke

**Twenty Years of Economic Transformation:
The Price of Economic Orthodoxy**

OLGA NIKIFOROVA (Ukraine)

Kharkiv National Economic University

**Estimation of Heterogeneity of Ukrainian
Regional Labor Markets Development in the
Post-Soviet Period**

LUBOV CHAGOVETS (Ukraine)

Kharkiv National Economic University

**Classification Model for Assessment of Social-
Economic Unevenness of Regional Development**

**7. BETWEEN DEMOCRACY AND AUTHORITARIANISM.
POLITICAL TRANSFORMATION IN UKRAINE.**

Chair: JAN PIEKŁO (Poland)

*Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation
(PAUCI), Warsaw*

Participants: ALISA MYKOLAYCHUK (Ukraine)

Kamenets-Podilskiy National University

**The Role of Non-Governmental Organizations
in ELT Professional Development: Post-Soviet
Ukraine Experience**

NATALIYA IAKOVENKO (Ukraine)

Taras Shevchenko National University, Kyiv

Ukraine: A Difficult Way to Democracy

YURIY MATSIYEVSKYY (Ukraine)

Ostroh Academy National University

**Temptations by Authoritarianism and their
Implications to Ukraine**

NATALIYA MINYENKOVA (Ukraine)
Donetsk National University
**The Transformation of Political Regime in
Contemporary Ukraine: What is Next?**

SESSION III - 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**8. PRESENTATION: POLISH-GEORGIAN CULTURAL
RELATIONSHIP. FIRST GEORGIAN TRANSLATION
OF “PAN TADEUSZ” BY VITALI UGRKHELIDZE**

Chair: DAWID KOLBAIA (Poland)
University of Warsaw

Participants: SEVDIA DAREJAN (AKA) UGRKHELIDZE
(United Kingdom)
London

NINO SHEKRILADZE (Poland)
Counselor at Embassy of Georgia, Warsaw
FATHER HENRYK PAPROCKI (Poland)
*The Polish Autocephalous Orthodox Church,
Warsaw*

DAVID KOLBAIA (Poland)
University of Warsaw

9. UKRAINE - TWENTY YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE

Chair: ALEKSANDRA HNATIUK (Poland)
*Centre for East European Studies,
University of Warsaw*

Participants: ALEKSANDRA HNATIUK (Poland)
*Centre for East European Studies,
University of Warsaw*

DAY 2 – SATURDAY – JULY 16

MAKSYM STRIKHA (Ukraine)

Borys Hrinchenko Humanitarian Institute in Kyiv

IHOR TSEPENDA (Ukraine)

*Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University,
Ivano-Frankivsk*

YAROSLAV HRYTSAK (Ukraine)

Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv

Discussant: BOGUMIŁA BERDYCHOWSKA (Poland)
National Center of Culture, Warsaw

10. EUROPEAN SECURITY: BETWEEN THE US AND RUSSIA.

Chair: PRZEMYSŁAW ŻURAWSKI VEL GRAJEWSKI
(Poland)
National School of Public Administration, Warsaw

Participants: SERHIY TROYAN (Ukraine)
Kiev Slavonic University, Rivne
**Europe on the Political Map of the 21st
Century: Open Network with Flexible Borders**

TOMAS KAVALIAUSKAS (Lithuania)

Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas

**The Geopolitical Meaning of “Vilnius 10” for
Central Europe in 2003 and in 2011**

ROMAN SZUL (Poland)

University of Warsaw

**The Gas Game in Euro-Russia (with special
reference to Poland)**

ALLEN LYNCH (United States)

University of Virginia, Charlottesville

**The Logic of Geopolitics in American-Russian
Relations**

11. BELARUS: HISTORY, IDENTITY, POLITICS.

Chair: MIKOŁAJ IWANOW (Poland)
University of Opole/University of Warsaw

Participants: IRYNA SHUMSKAYA (Belarus)
*Belarusian State University of Culture and Arts,
Minsk*

**Contemporary Cultural Identity in Belarus:
terra incognita**

IHAR MELNIKAU (Belarus)
Belarusian State Pedagogical University, Minsk

**The History of Forming the Belarusian National
Identity at the Beginning of the 20th Century in
Modern Polish Historiography**

ANDREI VARDOMATSKI (Belarus)
NOVAK laboratory, Minsk

Post-Electoral Belarus

Discussant: MARIUSZ MASZKIEWICZ (Poland)
Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw

**SATURDAY, JULY 16,
7:00 PM**

**ROUND TABLE II
20 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE –
THE BALANCE OF PROFITS AND
LOSSES. WHAT REMAINS OF THE
INDEPENDENCE OF THE FORMER
SOCIALIST CAMP?**

MODERATOR:

Maria Przełomiec, Polish journalist. She graduated the Jagiellonian University in Kraków. In the 1980-s she became involved in the underground journalism. In 1989 she became her cooperation with the *Tygodnik Powszechny* magazine. She is a former correspondent of the Polish section of the BBC and later of the Polish Public Television. She specializes in the subjects from the former Soviet Union countries. She was one of the journalists who witnessed the collapse of the Soviet block. She published for such journals as *Dziennik*, *Przewodnik Katolicki*, as well as *Wprost*, *Kultura* or *Polityka* magazines. She is also an author or a co-author of numerous reports by the Center for Foreign Affairs. Since 2007 she hosts a TV program “Studio East” devoted to latest developments in the post-soviet region.

PARTICIPANTS:

Stepan Grigoryan, Armenian expert, scientist. He was s Member of the Armenian Parliament and a Advisor of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Armenia. Presently he is the Board Chairman of the Analytical Centre on Globalization and Regional Cooperation based in Yerevan (ACGRC). His main fields of interests are: Civil Society, Conflict Resolution, Democratization, Dialogue, Diplomacy, Education, Human Rights, Organizational Development, Peacekeeping.

Włodzimierz Marciniak, Polish scientist, professor of political sciences, specializes in Russia, diplomat. Graduate of the University of Warsaw. Professor of the National-Louis University in Nowy Sącz. Since 1980 he is an



academic at the Warsaw School of Economics. Former Counselor at the Polish Embassy in Moscow. Director of the Department of Comparative Post Soviet Research at the Polish Academy of Sciences. Lecturer at the Centre for East European Studies UW (2006-2009). His main field of interests in contemporary Russia (political and social issues).

Aliaksandr Milinkevich, Belarusian opposition politician, head of the Movement "For Freedom". He graduated from the University of Hrodna where he worked as a docent in the Institute of Physics, as well as in the Belarussian Academy of sciences. In the early 90-ties he started to cooperate with local city authorities as a chief of one of the committees. Soon he reached the rank of vice-mayor of the city. In 2001 he was the chief of staff of Siamion Domash, one of the opposition leaders running for president in the 2001 presidential elections of Belarus. In 2005 he was nominated by the United Democratic Forces of Belarus to run against incumbent Alexander Lukashenko in the presidential election on 19 March 2006. On 12 December 2006 he was awarded the Sakharov Prize by the European Parliament.

Andriy Portnov, Ukrainian historian. He is a graduate of Dnepropetrovsk University's history department and University of Warsaw's Center for East European Studies. He was a lecturer or visiting scholar at universities in Helsinki and Trier and at Amsterdam's Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies. Former editor-in-chief of the *Ukraina Moderna* magazine. He has authored over 100 academic and journalistic publications, among others, in magazines such as *Ab Imperio*, *Osteuropa*, *Krytyka*, *Nowa Europa Wschodnia*, *Belaruski Histaryczny Ahliad*. Starting from academic year 2011/2012 he will be a holder of the Krzysztof Skubiszewski Scholarship at the University of Warsaw.

SUNDAY, JULY 17 - DAY 3				
Registration: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Old Library, ground floor				
	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	2:30 PM – 4:00 PM LUNCH TIME	
Room 111	12. Presentation of the Joint Polish-Ukrainian Project: Renovation of the Pre-War University of Warsaw Astronomical Observatory on the Mount Pop Ivan	16. The EU's Eastern Policy		
Room 116	13. The Evolution of the Political System of Russian Federation	17. Between Global and Local. Changing Identities.	20. The South Caucasus - Political Transformation.	
Room 211	14. Political Transformation in Ukraine. Democratization.	18. Economic Transformation of Post-Communist Countries: Success or Failure? New Suggestions for Economic Solutions.	21. “Civil Society” and Democratic Development in the Countries of the Region	
Room 216	15. The South Caucasus - Security Problems	19. Historical Policies in Ukraine, Belarus and Russia.	22. Rediscovering Belarus	
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM Room 105		PRESENTATION: “NEW PROMETHEUS” JOURNAL („NOWY PROMETEUSZ”)		
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Old Library, Main Auditorium		Round Table III “OLD AND NEW DIVISIONS IN EUROPE: HOW TO AVOID A NEW IRON CURTAIN?”		

SUNDAY – DAY 3, JULY 17

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2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	LUNCH TIME
15.30PM – 16.30PM	PRESENTATION OF THE MAGAZINE “NEW PROMETHEUS”
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	SESSION III
6:15 PM – 6:45 PM	DAILY CONFERENCE SUMMARY
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	ROUND TABLE III “OLD AND NEW DIVISIONS IN EUROPE: HOW TO AVOID A NEW IRON CURTAIN?”



**PRESENTATION
ROOM 105**

PRESENTATION OF A NEW SCIENTIFIC JOURNAL

NOWY PROMETEUSZ NEW PROMETHEUS

DAVID KOLBAIA,
CENTRE FOR EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW

ANDRII PORTNOV,
"UKRAINA MODERNA"

PAWEŁ LIBERA,
THE CENTRAL ARCHIVES OF MODERN RECORDS IN WARSAW.

MODERATION:

HIJRAN ALIYEVA-SZTRAUCH,
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, NEW PROMETHEUS

ALEKSANDRA GRYŹŁAK,
EDITOR, NEW PROMETHEUS



NEW PROMETHEUS IS A SPECIALIZED JOURNAL, CONCERNING POLITICAL, CULTURAL, ECONOMIC AND RELIGIOUS RELATION IN THE EASTERN EUROPE, CENTRAL ASIA AND BLACK SEA REGIONS. THE MAIN INSPIRATION FOR THE JOURNAL WERE TITLES SUCH AS: PROMÉTHÉE, AND LATER LA REVUE DE PROMÉTHÉE, PUBLISHED IN PARIS IN THE PERIOD 1926-1940 AND SUPPORTED BY THE POLISH GOVERNMENT. ALTHOUGH THE PRE-WAR PROMETHEISM IS, FOR OBVIOUS REASONS, NOT ACTUAL IN ITS ORIGINAL SENSE AS AN IDEOLOGY AND POLITICAL PRACTICE, BUT MAY STILL CONSTITUTE A MODEL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF RESEARCH AND POPULARIZATION OF THE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT EASTERN EUROPE, CENTRAL ASIA AND BLACK SEA. NEW PROMETHEUS MAY ALSO SERVE AS A PLATFORM FOR DIALOGUE BETWEEN SCIENTISTS AND EXPERTS FROM COUNTRIES OF THE REGION.

DOM KAUKASKI W POLSCE / STUDIUM EUROPY WSCHODNIEJ UW

**12. PRESENTATION OF THE JOINT POLISH-UKRAINIAN
PROJECT OF THE CENTRE FOR STUDENT
EXCHANGE:**

- ACADEMIC YOUTH HOUSE IN MIKULICHYN
- RENOVATION OF THE PRE-WAR UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW
ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY ON THE MOUNT POP IVAN

Chair: JAN MALICKI (Poland)
*Centre for East European Studies,
University of Warsaw*

Participants: JAN MALICKI (Poland)
University of Warsaw
IHOR TSEPENDA (Ukraine)
*Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University,
Ivano Frankivsk*

**13. THE EVOLUTION OF THE POLITICAL SYSTEM
OF RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

Chair: ROMAN BÄCKER (Poland)
Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń

Participants: IGOR POBEDINSKIY (Russia)
St.Petersburg State University
**Formation of Tandem's Power in Political
Discourse of Russian Authorities**
OLENA PODVORNA (Ukraine)
Ostroh Academy National University
Putin's Legacy in Medvedev's Russia

A. JAN KUTYLOWSKI (Poland)

University of Oslo

Reflections on Systemic Change in the Soviet Empire 1991-2011: towards more Comprehensive Theory and Applications from a Social Science Perspective

ROMAN BÄCKER (Poland)

Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń

Stability of Contemporary Political System of Russia

**14. POLITICAL TRANSFORMATION IN UKRAINE.
DEMOCRATIZATION.**

Chair:

JAN PIEKŁO (Poland)

*Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation
(PAUCI), Warsaw*

Participants:

EDITA PUKLICH (Ukraine)

Ternopil V. Hnatiuk National University

Ethnic and Linguistic Self-Identification as Problematic Components of Ukraine's Transformation

VIKTOR TROYAN (Ukraine)

Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin

Regions in Contemporary Ukraine

MAKSYM KLYMENTYEV (Ukraine)

Independent scholar

Dreaming Others? Dreams: Ukraine as an Irreducible Remainder in the Master Discourses of Democratic West and Great Russia

DAY 3 – SUNDAY – JULY 17

Discussant: ALEKSANDRA HNATIUK (Poland)
*Centre for East European Studies,
University of Warsaw*

15. THE SOUTH CAUCASUS - SECURITY PROBLEMS

Chair: DAWID KOLBAIA (Poland)
University of Warsaw

Participants: KHAGANI GULIYEV (Azerbaijan)
University of Strasbourg

**The Azerbaijani-Turkmen Maritime
Delimitation Dispute in the Caspian Sea:
Historical Background and Perspective
of Resolution**

ANAR ABDULLAYEV (Azerbaijan)
Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy, Baku

**Regional Integration as a Security Concept
in the South Caucasus**

VIKTORIA SHIBEL (Ukraine)
*Ivano-Frankivsk Technical Bureau
of Inventarization*

Peaceful Process of International Conflicts

DAVIT HOVHANNISYAN (Armenia)
Yerevan State University

**From “Poleis” to “Empires”: On the
Competitiveness of Security Systems in the
South Caucasus**

SESSION II - 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

16. THE EU'S EASTERN POLICY

Chair: KAZIMIERZ WÓYCICKI (Poland)
University of Warsaw

Participants: VASILE ROTARU (Romania)

National School of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest

Democracy or Authoritarianism. Belarus between the Union State with Russia and the Eastern Partnership

ANDRIANA OLIYNYK (Ukraine)

Lviv Regional Institute of Public Administration, Lviv-Bryukhovychi

Implementation of European Human Rights Standards as a Precondition for Ukraine

SERGEI NAUMOV (Russia)

Herzen State University, St.Petersburg

ANNA MERKURYEVA (Russia)

Herzen State University, St.Petersburg

Partnership for Modernization vs. Eastern Partnership: EU Expectations and Russian Approaches

17. BETWEEN GLOBAL AND LOCAL CHANGING IDENTITIES

Chair: JERZY REGULSKI (Poland)

The Foundation in Support of Local Democracy, Warsaw

Participants: EMILY HILLENBRAND (United States)

Institute for Social Studies, Den Haag

Between Global and Local: Migration and Changing Meanings of Rurality in Romania

MAGDALENA DEMBINSKA (Canada)

University of Montreal

(Re)Framing Identity Claims. European and State Institutions as Opportunity Windows for Group Reinforcement

ANAR IBRAHIMOV (Azerbaijan)

Graduate School for Social Research, Warsaw

Post-Communist Azerbaijan: Islam vs. Secularism

ULUGBEK JUMAEV (Uzbekistan)

Bukhara State University

The Problem of Tolerance in the Conditions of Modern World's Globalization

HUSEYN MASMALIYEV (Azerbaijan)

independent scholar

Identity Issues among National Minorities in Azerbaijan as an Instrument in Hands of the “Powerful” Neighbors (Russia and Iran)

18. ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION OF POST-COMMUNIST COUNTRIES: SUCCESS OR FAILURE? NEW SUGGESTIONS FOR ECONOMIC SOLUTIONS.

Chair: KATARZYNA ŻUKROWSKA (Poland)

Warsaw School of Economics

Participants: ALEH ILYIN (Belarus)

Belarus State Economic University, Minsk

Change of Mentality as an Economic Growth Factor in the Post-Soviet Countries

ANZHELIKA KRUTOVA (Ukraine)
*Kharkiv State University of Food technology
and Trade*

**The Diversification of the Accounting Paradigm
under the Information Economy Conditions**

ANZHELA CHERCHATA (Ukraine)
*Pridneprovsk State Academy of the Civil
Engineering and Architecture, Dnepropetrovsk*

**Strategy of Logistic System Development
of the Companies in the Construction Sector**

KATARZYNA ŻUKROWSKA (Poland)
Warsaw School of Economics

Economy Matters Most of All...

**19. HISTORICAL POLICIES IN UKRAINE,
BELARUS AND RUSSIA.**

Chair: YAROSLAV HRYTSAK (Ukraine)
Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv

Participants: HUSEYIN OYLUPINAR (Turkey)
University of Alberta, Edmonton

**The Maker of a Cossack Nation: Viktor
Yushchenko's National Identity and Collective
Memory Policies**

KHRYSTYNA CHUSHAK (Ukraine)
National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Lviv

**“Soviets’kyi or Radians’kyi”: Meanings
and Modalities of the Term “Soviet” in
Contemporary Ukrainian Intellectual Discourse**

ANDRIY PORTNOV (Ukraine)

*Ivan Krypiakevych Institute
for Ukrainian Studies, Lviv*

**World War II in the Politics of Memory
in Russia, Ukraine and Belarus**

WŁODZIMIERZ OSADCZY (Poland)

The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin

Politics of Memory in Contemporary Ukraine

SESSION III - 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**20. THE SOUTH CAUCASUS - POLITICAL
TRANSFORMATION.**

Chair: WIKTOR ROSS (Poland)

University of Warsaw

Participants: LEVAN TARKHNISHVILI (Georgia)

Ilia State University, Tbilisi

**Theoretical Aspects of the World Values
Surveys: Main Principles, Challenges and
Criticisms**

KHODZAMAKHMAD UMAROV (Tajikistan)

Institute of Economy of Tajikistan, Dushanbe

**Transition Regimes: Appearances of Regional
Colonialism**

ZVIAD ABASHIDZE (Georgia)

Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

**Civic Integration as Challenge
for Post-Communist Georgia**

NUNE DILANYAN (Armenia)

Yerevan State University

**Ethnic Isolation vs. Ethnic Openness:
Pros and Cons**

Discussant: ALEXANDER RONDELI (Georgia)
*Georgian Foundation for Strategic
and International Studies, Tbilisi*

**21. “CIVIL SOCIETY” AND DEMOCRATIC
DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRIES
OF THE REGION**

Chair: HENRYK SZLAJFER (Poland)
University of Warsaw

Participants: STANISLAV PEŠ (Czech Republic)
Charles University in Prague

**Current Situation of the Research on Transition
to Democracy at the Regional Level**

M. LUTFULLAH KARAMAN (Turkey)
Fatih University, Istanbul

**Organisational Development of “Civil Society”
in Turkey with an Attempt at an Original
Categorisation**

ALINA FELEA (Moldova)
Institute of History, State and Law, Chisinau

Quo vadis, Moldova?

MARIA MAGDALENA STROINSKA (Canada)
McMaster University, Hamilton

**Discourse on Social Exclusion
in Post-Communist Eastern Europe:
An Exercise in Political Correctness**

ANTONI KAMIŃSKI (Poland)
Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw

**Post-Communist Transformations:
Constitutional Decisions and their
Consequences**

22. REDISCOVERING BELARUS

Chair: ANTONI MIRONOWICZ (Poland)
University of Białystok

Participants: ANTONI MIRONOWICZ (Poland)
University of Białystok
**The Problem of the Autocephalous in the
Orthodox Church in Belarus**

ERIC JACOBSON (Latvia)
University of Latvia, Riga

Belarusian National Minority in Latvia

PAWEŁ GIEORGICA (Poland)
University of Białystok

Media in Belarus

TERESA CHYNCZEWSKA-HENNEL (Poland)
University of Białystok

Belarus in Modern Historiography



**SUNDAY, JULY 17,
7:00 PM**

ROUND TABLE III
**OLD AND NEW DIVISIONS IN EUROPE:
HOW TO AVOID A NEW IRON CURTAIN?**

CHAIR:

Kazimierz Wóycicki, Polish publicist and journalist. In the communist times, he co-operated with democratic opposition circles and was an editor and publicist in underground press and an active member of the Club of Catholic Intellectuals (KIK). He was the director of the Polish Institute in Dusseldorf between 1996 and 1999. He has also held the function of the director of Szczecin branch of the Institute of National Remembrance. He teaches at the Centre for East European Studies at the University of Warsaw and at the University of Szczecin.

PARTICIPANTS:

Asim Mollazade, Azeri politician and expert Doctor of Medicine. He worked for the Presidential Administration and as a Special Presidential Envoy on talks with Armenia over the war conflict (1992-93). Since 1994 he is a deputy chairman of the Popular Front Party of Azerbaijan on international affairs and a co-founder and a vice-president of the Democracy Development Foundation. Since 1998 he is a founder and a president of the Euro-Atlantic Centre of Azerbaijan. Since 2000 he is a MP to the Azerbaijani Parliament and a member of the International Affairs Commission. Since 2001 - delegate to the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly (PACE). Presently Dr Mollazade is a Chairman of the Democratic Reforms Party.

Jan Piekło, Polish journalist and philologist. After 1989, he worked for *Tygodnik Powszechny* and reported on the revolution in Romania. His articles have been published in *Przekrój*, New York-based *Nowy Dziennik* and US and



Swedish press. He is the president of the Krakow branch and a member of the General Management of the Polish Journalists Association. At present, he is the director of the Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation (PAUCI).

Alexander Rondeli, Georgian diplomat, scientist, expert on geopolitics. Holds a Ph.D. in Geography. Head of the International Relations Department at the Tbilisi State University (1991-96). He served as a Director of the Foreign Policy Research and Analysis Center at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia (1997-2001). He was a research fellow and visiting professor at, among others, London School of Economics and Political Science, Woodrow Wilson School and Princeton University. He holds a diplomatic rank of an Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. Presently Dr Rondeli is a President of the Georgian Foundation For Strategic and International Studies (GFSIS).

Klaus Ziemer, German scientist, professor of political science. Since 1991 professor and lecturer in political sciences in Trevir. Since 1989 he works at the Institute of Political Sciences at the Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, where he chairs the section of political systems. Between 1998 and 2008 he was the Director of the German History Institute in Warsaw. His main field of research are the transformation of political and socio-economic systems in Central-Eastern European countries and post-war Polish-German relations.

MONDAY, JULY 18 - DAY 4					
Registration: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Old Library, ground floor					
	12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	2:30 PM – 4:00 PM LUNCH TIME		
Room 111	23. Presentation: New Publications of the Centre: Warsaw East European Review, Journal “Obóz”	27. Presentation: Information Bulletin of the Centre for East European Studies (Biuletyn Informacyjny Studium - BIS)	CLOSING CEREMONY Old Library, Main Auditorium		
Room 116	24. Belarus – between East and West	28. Poland and Ukraine			
Room 211	25. The Left Wing in the East after the Soviet Collapse	29. Education in Post-Soviet Countries. East European and Central Asian Studies			
Room 216	26. The Black Sea: Regional Integration or Disintegration?	30. Belarus: State, Army and Ideology			

MONDAY – DAY 4, JULY 18

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2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	LUNCH TIME
3:30 PM – 3:45 PM	DAILY CONFERENCE SUMMARY
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	CLOSING CEREMONY
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM	FINAL DISCUSSION “EASTERN PARTNERSHIP”
5:45 PM – 6.00 PM	CLOSING CEREMONY FAREWELL GLASS OF WINE



**PRESENTATION
JULY 18 - DAY 4
12:30 PM / ROOM 111**

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**23. PRESENTATION: NEW PUBLICATIONS
OF THE CENTRE: “WARSAW EAST EUROPEAN
REVIEW”, JOURNAL “OBÓZ”**

Chair: JAN MALICKI (Poland)
Centre for East European Studies, Warsaw

Participants: JAN MALICKI (Poland)
*Centre for East European Studies,
University of Warsaw*

24. BELARUS - BETWEEN EAST AND WEST

Chair: ALAKSIEJ MICHALEVIC (Belarus)
Union for Modernization, Minsk

Participants: PALINA PRYSMAKOVA (Belarus)
Florida International University, Miami
**Who invited China: Impact of Western Aid
and Sanctions on Belarus**

DZMITRY LYSIUK (Belarus)
NGO “Logos”, Brest

**Contemporary Germany through the Eyes
of Belarusians: Sociological Analysis**

MIKOLAJ IWANOW (Poland)
University of Opole/University of Warsaw

Belarus: Idea of Independence and Poland

ALAKSIEJ MICHALEVIC (Belarus)
Union for Modernization, Minsk

**Comparison of the Development of Party
Systems in Belarus and Ukraine (1990-1995)**

25. THE LEFT WING IN THE EAST AFTER THE SOVIET COLLAPSE

Chair: WITOLD RODKIEWICZ (Poland)
Centre for Eastern Studies, University of Warsaw

Participants: BACIK GOKHAN (Turkey)
Zirve University, Gaziantep

**Kemalism and the Left after the Cold War:
The Case of the CHP**

ÁGNES SZABÓ (Hungary)
Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest

JUDIT FODOR (Hungary)
Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest

BALAZS FEHER (Hungary)
Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest

**The Meaning of the Political Left
and Right in Post-Socialist Hungary**

Discussant: KONRAD ZASZTOWT (Poland)
University of Warsaw

**26. THE BLACK SEA: REGIONAL INTEGRATION
OR DISINTEGRATION?**

Chair: ALEXANDER RONDELI (Georgia)
*Georgian Foundation for Strategic and
International Studies, Tbilisi*

Participants: MAGDALENA DEMBINSKA (Canada)
University of Montreal

**Constructing Civic de facto States and Nations?
Internal Dynamics of Frozen Conflicts**

JOLANTA KUBICKA (Poland)

University of Economics in Katowice

**The Evolution and New Challenges for Black
Sea Economic Cooperation - BSEC**

MAREK CICHOCKI (Poland)

University of Warsaw

The Black Sea Region

TOMASZ KAPUŚNIAK (Poland)

John Paul II Catholic University, Lublin

**The European Union and the Black Sea Region:
Looking towards Synergy**

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**27. PRESENTATION: INFORMATION BULLETIN
OF THE CENTRE FOR EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES
(BIULETYN INFORMACYJNY STUDIUM - BIS)**

Chair: MARIA PRZEŁOMIEC (Poland)
Polish Television
(*Studio Wschód - Program "East"*), Warsaw

28. POLAND AND UKRAINE

Chair: ANDRZEJ SZEPTYCKI (Poland)
University of Warsaw

Participants: NATALIYA TERES (Ukraine)
Taras Shevchenko National University, Kyiv
Polish Culture in Modern Ukraine
OLEKSANDRA MATUSHENKO (Ukraine)
National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv
**Poland as an Example of Successful
Democratization for Ukraine.
Political Elites Dimension**

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OLENA LYTVYNENKO (Ukraine)

Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw

Ukrainian Schools in Poland in Time of Post-Communism Transformation (1989-2003)

Discussant: ALEKSANDRA HNATIUK (Poland)

Centre for East European Studies,

University of Warsaw

29. EDUCATION IN POST-SOVIET COUNTRIES.

EAST EUROPEAN AND CENTRAL ASIAN STUDIES

Chair: JOHN MICGIEL (United States)

Columbia University, New York

Participants: ZUHRA RAHIMOVA (Uzbekistan)

Jagellonian University, Kraków

**Integrating Polish and Uzbek Culture
in Teaching EFL at Secondary Schools**

DIANA KUCHERENKO (Ukraine)

*Institute for Training State Employment Service
of Ukraine, Kyiv*

**The Quality of State and Private Higher
Education and the Methods of Financing**

OLENA MARTYNIUK (Ukraine)

Vadim Hetman Kyiv National Economic University

**Main Aspects of the Determination of the
Education Quality in Modern Conditions**

ZILOLA KHALILOVA (Uzbekistan)

Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań

**The New Tendencies in the Research of
the History of Bukhara Emirate after the
Independence of Uzbekistan (1991-2011)**

JOHN MICGIEL (United States)

Columbia University, New York/

University of Warsaw

**The State of East European Studies
in the US, 2011**

30. BELARUS: STATE, ARMY AND IDEOLOGY

Chair: MARIUSZ MASZKIEWICZ (Poland)

Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw

Participants: ULADZIMIR VIALICHKIN (Belarus)

*Human Rights Public Association “Brest Spring”,
Brest-13*

State Terrorism in Belarus

OLEG SANZHAREVSKIY (Ukraine)

Rivne Institute of Slavonic Studies

**The Evolution of Belarusian Military Industry
at the End of 20th Century**

NATALIA BAJDA (Ukraine)

Rivne State Humanitarian University

**The Republic of Belarus and Russian Federation
Cooperation in the Sphere of CSTO**

MARIUSZ MASZKIEWICZ (Poland)

Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw

**State Ideology in Belarus: Main Problems
and Concepts**



**MONDAY, JULY 18,
4:00 PM**

**FINAL DISCUSSION
EASTERN PARTNERSHIP**

CHAIR:

John Micgiel, American scientist, an adjunct professor of international and public affairs at the School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University. He is an associate director of the Harriman Institute. He is also the director of the East Central European Center and executive director of the Institute for the Study of Europe. Professor Micgiel's teaching and research interests include modern history of East Central Europe (ECE), contemporary politics in ECE, and Western Europe. He is a lecturer at the Centre for East European Studies at the University of Warsaw.

PARTICIPANTS:

Stepan Grigoryan, Armenian expert, scientist. He was a Member of the Armenian Parliament and a Advisor of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Armenia. Presently he is the Board Chairman of the Analytical Centre on Globalization and Regional Cooperation based in Yerevan (ACGRC). His main fields of interests are: Civil Society, Conflict Resolution, Democratization, Dialogue, Diplomacy, Education, Human Rights, Organizational Development, Peacekeeping.

Stanislau Shushkevich, Belarusian politician and scientist. Before his political career he was a prominent scientist (physics and mathematics). From September 28 1991 till January 26 1994 he was the first leader and Head of State of independent Belarus after the dissolution of the Soviet Union (Chairman of the Supreme Soviet – also chairman of the Parliament). He supported free market and democratic reforms. On December 8, 1991 in Belavezhskaya Pushcha together with the leaders



of Russia – Boris Yeltsin and Ukraine – Leonid Kravchuk he signed a declaration of the dissolution of the Soviet Union and the creation of the Commonwealth of Independent States. He continues to be active in politics, heading the Belarusian Social Democratic Assembly “Hramada” party.

Alexander Rondeli, Georgian diplomat, scientist, expert on geopolitics. Holds a Ph.D. in Geography. Head of the International Relations Department. at the Tbilisi State University (1991-96). He served as a Director of the Foreign Policy Research and Analysis Center at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia (1997-2001). He was a research fellow and visiting professor at, among others, London School of Economics and Political Science, Woodrow Wilson School and Princeton University. He holds a diplomatic rank of an Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. Presently Dr Rondeli is a President of the Georgian Foundation For Strategic and International Studies (GFSIS).

Oxana Borta, Moldavian diplomat. She was an employee of the European Integration Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and

European Integration. Right now she is Charge d'Affairs at the Embassy of the Republic of Moldova in Warsaw.

Maksym Strikha, Ukrainian scientist, politician and social activist. Former Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine (2008-2010). He is a interpreter of American and Russian poetry. He has a PhD in mathematics and physics. He works in the Institute of Physics at the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences. He is a professor at the Department of Radiology of the T. Shevchenko National Kiev University. He chairs the Institute of Translation at the Humanities Faculty of the B. Grichenko Kiev University.

MONDAY, JULY 18,
5:30 PM

CLOSING SPEECH

KRZYSZTOF STANOWSKI

*Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of
Poland “European Endowment for Democracy”*



Krzysztof Stanowski attended the Faculty of Humanities of The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, where he majored in history. In 1982-1984, he co-founded the underground structures of the Solidarity movement and was a member of its authorities in the Central-Eastern Region. He cooperated with underground publishers, as well as with regional and national press.

Co-founder and member of various non-governmental organizations. As one of the fathers of the independent scouting movement in Poland, he served firstly as Leader, and then as Secretary General of the ZHR (Scouting Association of the Republic of Poland).

Since 1989, he has been actively involved in the work of the Education for Democracy Foundation, acting as Member of the Board, Programme Director, International Project Manager and, from 2001 to 2007, the Chairman of the Foundation.

In 2007-2010, he served as Undersecretary in the Ministry of National Education responsible for the open Polish education system, i.e.

international cooperation, the promotion of the Polish language abroad, and contacts with the NGO sector. He is an experienced educator active in Poland, Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Mongolia. Author of educational programs and publications devoted to civil education and the work of civil organizations. He is one of the initiators of Education for Democracy International Network – an international network of coaches supporting local societies in Eastern Europe and Central Asia through civil education. For many years, he was the Vice-Chair of the Steering Committee of the World Movement for Democracy and member of the Executive Committee of the Zagranica Group. He was twice awarded by the POLCUL Foundation for his involvement in NGO work. He was also awarded the title of Teacher of Merit of the Republic of Mongolia. Recipient of the Mongolian Medal of Freedom and the Officer's Cross of the Order of Polonia Restituta.



UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW



PROFESSOR KATARZYNA
CHAŁASIŃSKA-MACUKOW

The University of Warsaw was established in 1816, when the partitions of Poland separated the central region of Poland from the older academic center in Cracow. The School of Law and the Medical School were first established in the Duchy of Warsaw. In 1816 Alexander I gave his permission to create the university, made up of five faculties: Law and Administration, Medicine, Philosophy, Theology, Art and Humanities.

After 1918, in the Independent Poland, the university for the first time in its history was able to freely develop its courses and class instruction without restrictions.

After the death of Marshal Pilsudski in 1935, the Senate of the University of Warsaw passed a mo-

tion to confer his name to the university.

After the war, communist regime were at first hesitant to rebuild the university, which was almost completely destroyed. Yet the determination of many prewar professors led to change in their decision. In December of 1945 classes resumed for over 4,000 students.

Increasing criticism of the political structure of Poland led to student demonstrations in 1968, which were suppressed by the police. The repression reached many members of academic staff. The university (now at 20,000 students), nevertheless, was a center of independent thought, from which emerged many outstanding intellectuals, many leaders of the anti-communist opposition, as well as reformers in the governing camp.

Nowadays the University of Warsaw, with its over 65,000 students (both Polish and foreign) and over 2,500 scholars, is the biggest university in Poland.

CENTRE FOR EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES

University of Warsaw

(Studium Europy Wschodniej UW)

The Centre for East European Studies at University of Warsaw along with its numerous practical and publishing projects, as well as the East European Studies, which in line with the pre-war Polish Eastern studies traditions, educate young cadres specialised in Eastern affairs, belongs to the considerable group of Polish institutions – scientific, academic, and analytical – the establishment, development and functioning of which became possible after the fall of communism and the regaining of independence of Poland. However, as opposed to most others, the Centre was established as a direct continuation of the work begun back in the period of “Solidarność” and developed further in the underground, mostly through publications and concept work.

Such initiatives were rare in the underground, but their importance stems not only from the conditions in which they had to operate. They belong to the 90-year history of Polish sovietology and, simultaneously, are the background of its great comeback after 1989.

The organisational and intellectual roots of the Centre for East European Studies stem from the underground journal *Obóz* (‘Camp’, as in ‘communist bloc’) established in 1981 and edited throughout the 1980s by Jerzy Targalski together with a small, sometimes changing group, including Andrzej Ananicz, Kazimierz Stembrowicz, Marek Pernal, Wojciech Maziariski, Jan Malicki, Robert Bogdański, and later also Leszek Hensel, Krzysztof Dębnicki, Jolanta Sierakowska-Dyndo, Grażyna and Iwanyczo Gyłybow. From its inception, *Obóz*, as stated in its subheading, focused on the “problems of nations in the communist bloc.” It was the first of several underground publications dealing with the subject, and the first to do so between the Elbe and the Pacific Ocean. However *Obóz* is the only one to have survived and been published, though with some delays and difficulties, for the 30 years!

The heritage of the Centre includes also the underground Institute of Eastern Europe, the effort to establish which was undertaken in 1983 (Jan Malicki, Jerzy Chmielewski, Stefan Rakowski† and Jerzy Kumaniecki†). The initiative, however, was restrained for several years due to natural, sometimes invincible problems of creating a regular scientific and analytical institution in the underground, one of the key obstacles being the detention of the Institute’s initiator.

Another idea needs to be mentioned here, which was conceived by the publishers of *Obóz*, namely the publication of a journal *Zona*, which was supposed to be published in different languages of the bloc. Unfortunately, only two editions were published: in Hungarian and Czech. The project was withheld at the Ukrainian edition, due to organisational problems and the shortage of funds, yet the main reason for that were problems with distribution of the underground prints in the regions of the bloc, especially in the Soviet republics.

Important work was also done by the editing board of *BIO – Information Bulletin of Obóz* (Zofia and Andrzej Ananicz, Robert Bogdański, Andrzej Jarosiński†, Wojciech Maziarski, Krzysztof Turlejski, Kazimierz Stembrowicz, Antoni Zambrowski and others), which was published in 1985-1989 and prepared news bulletins for the underground press, which had an immense impact on the availability of information at the time.

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Only after 1989, it was decided that the journal's activities should be extended to include academic coursework, thus continuing the efforts of the underground Institute of Eastern Europe. In 1990, thanks to the kindness of the Oriental Studies Institute at the University of Warsaw the Seminar for Ethnic Problems of the Soviet Union and Central & Eastern Europe was established under the scientific supervision of Professor Tadeusz Majda, expert in Turkish issues (by Andrzej Ananicz, Jan Malicki and Tadeusz Majda), and later the Centre for Eastern Europe and Central Asia were established. These projects started the official academic activity of the present-day Centre.

At that early stage only annual seminars and open lectures were organised. The Centre has organised the East European Summer School sessions annually since 1992.

Several years of this activity provided firm basis for the Specialised Eastern Studies Programme, which started in 1998/99 with three majors (I. Eastern Europe, II. Russia, III. Central Asia, IV. Caucasus, V. Central Europe, and VI. The Balkans), as well as the Post-Graduate East European Studies.

Yet another field of the Centre's activity are academic conferences dedicated to the most vital issues in the region. The biggest of them were 'Polish Eastern Studies after 1989', 'The Borders of Europe' and the 'Warsaw Special Convention of ASN', which initiated the cycle of regular conferences held in English, the WEEC (Warsaw East European Conference). A vigorous Students' Association has been operating from the very beginning. It is engaged in academic activity (student-run seminars) and organises research trips, mostly to the former Soviet republics.

The Centre also publishes the quarterlies *Obóz* (Camp) and *Przegląd Wschodni* (Eastern Review). In addition, there are two publishing series, *Bibliografia Europy Wschodniej* (East European Bibliography) and *Biblioteka OBOZU* (*Obóz Library*, presently renamed as *Bibliotheca Europae Orientalis*), which is divided into three sections and publishes monographs, including studies, sources and teaching materials. The new series is a continuation of the *Obóz Library*, which was completed in 2000.

The work of the Centre is directed by Jan Malicki.

Specialized East European Studies Program

majors:

I. Eastern Europe, II. Russia, III. Central Asia,
IV. Caucasus, V. Central Europe, and VI. The Balkans

The Specialist Eastern Studies, established owing to support from the then authorities of the Institute of Oriental Studies of the University of Warsaw (in 2008 renamed as Faculty of Oriental Studies of the University of Warsaw), from the very beginning has been consistently enhancing its offer to students, opening to them ever new fields of study. The major 'Eastern Europe' has been available since 1998, 'Russia – Central Asia – Caucasus' since 2000 and 'Central Europe – the Balkans' since 2001. At present, the Centre offers as many as six major fields of study to its students (the majors: I. Eastern Europe, II. Russia, III. Central Asia, IV. Caucasus, V. Central Europe, and VI. the Balkans).

The Specialist Eastern Studies is a full-time two-year supplementary, master's programme for students who have graduated from BA courses or those who have passed the third year of their MA studies. The program is designed to prepare specialists in issues related to Eastern Europe, Russia, Central Asia, Caucasus, Central Europe and the Balkans. The programme includes elements of fields of study as history and contemporary issues, economy, culture, and social, ethnic, religious, ethnological and political issues. Every year, almost half of the Eastern Studies' students are foreigners, grant-holders, most of whom come from Eastern Europe, Russia, Central Asia and Caucasus. Foreign students applying for scholarships in the programme are required to have obtained a degree in humanities in their home countries. As part of the programme, lectures are given by both Polish renowned specialists in Eastern issues and outstanding foreign scholars, who teach as guests or visiting professors.

Eastern Studies graduates work for Polish and international institutions dealing with Eastern issues, and for Polish media, state administration and diplomatic service.

The staff of the Eastern Studies consists of an already significant group of specialists working for the Centre. As of 1 October 2009, the following specialists were employed by the Centre: Andrzej Ananicz, Joanna Gierowska-Kałuża, Kazimierz Jurczak, David Kolbaia, Mariusz Kowalski, Jerzy Kozakiewicz, Dariusz Maciak, Bronius Makauskas, Jan Malicki, John Micgiel, Witold Rodkiewicz, Jakub Sadowski, Marek Śliwiński, Kazimierz Wóycicki, Leszek Zasztowt and Elżbieta Znamierowska-Rakk, Andrzej Żbikowski.

The Centre also capitalises on the knowledge and assistance offered by a group of our regular associates from the University of Warsaw and other research centres (Adam Bosiacki, Hanna Dylągowa, Dariusz Kołodziejczyk, Tadeusz Krzastek, Wiktor Ross, Jerzy Targalski and Stanisław Zapaśnik). This group also includes specialists from the team of the Centre for Eastern Studies, who teach at special analytical courses (Marek Menkiszak

and the CES team). Experts have been coming from other cities to teach regular courses or give guest lectures (Bretislav Dancak from Brno, Marek Gawęcki from Poznań, Adolf Juzwenko from Wrocław and Andrzej Nowak from Kraków).

Brilliant foreign specialists have held seminars and given special lectures as part of the Specialist Eastern Studies Programme as guest lecturers (including Professors: Daniel Beauvois from the Sorbonne, Norman Davies from Oxford, Miroslav Hroch from Brno, Andrzej Sulima Kamiński from Georgetown, Andrzej Korboński from Los Angeles, Zbigniew Kruszewski from El Paso, Alexei Miller from Moscow, Bohdan Osadcuk from Berlin, Emil Pain from Moscow, Aron Petneki from Budapest, Richard Pipes from Harvard, Mykola Ryabchuk from Kiev, Michael Ryvkin from CCNY, Tadeusz Świętochowski from Columbia, Piotr Wandycz and Tomas Venclova from Yale).

At present, our guests give lectures to students on a regular basis (2 or 3 guests per semester on the average).

School of Eastern Languages

The School of Eastern Languages has been operating since 1999. Originally, it was intended to offer language courses only to students of the Eastern Studies; however, now anyone interested may attend the courses. The Centre for East European Studies is in charge of the School of Eastern Languages, which is a part of the Faculty of Oriental Studies at the University of Warsaw. The School offers courses in 'Eastern' languages, meaning languages spoken in former Soviet republics and countries which belonged to the communist bloc, as well as languages from the Middle and Far East, the Orient and Africa. The School is the only place in Poland to offer courses in a significant part of those languages!

A full course, starting from the beginner's level, lasts for two years (240 class hours). Course graduates may take a Certified Examination at the A1, A2, B1 or B2 level held in compliance with criteria set by the Council of Europe. The School operates according to the rules of University System of Language Provision.

Since 1999, the School has been directed by Inga Kotańska. The staff consists of university teachers and native speakers experienced in language teaching. Courses in 29 over 30 languages are available as of now.

Additionally, the School of Eastern Languages since 2005 has held generally available Intense Summer Holiday Language Courses, each lasting 60 or 120 hours (5 hours of classes are held every day, from Monday to Saturday, each July).

Fulbright – University of Warsaw Distinguished Chair in Central, East European and Russian Studies.

In 2002, the prestigious Fulbright Foundation opened its own endowed chair in Warsaw, the Fulbright – Warsaw University Distinguished Chair in East European Studies. There are as few as 37 Fulbright Chairs in the world, which are located in thirteen countries. So far, only one has functioned in our region, in Budapest. Another one has been established in Moscow, but none of them is dealing with Eastern studies.

The Chair was inaugurated at the University Warsaw in the academic year 2003/04, and is permanently associated with the Centre for East European Studies. This is the first-ever Fulbright Chair in the world to specialise in Eastern studies!

The first academician to take the Chair was Professor Jane L. Curry of Santa Clara University (2003/04), who was followed by Professor Jack Bielasiak of Indiana University (2004/05), and Professor Robert Blobaum (resigned due to health problems). In the academic year 2006/07, the Chair was taken by Professor Jan Kubik of Rutgers University. Professor Theodore Weeks from Southern Illinois University presided over the Chair in the academic year 2008/09 and, in the academic year 2009/10 – professor Owen Johnson and professor Stuart H. Loory from University of Missouri in the academic year 2010/11.

Caucasus Bureau of the Centre for East European Studies UW in Tbilisi

Close ties between Poland and countries of South Caucasus have a very long tradition. Polish researchers contributed to mutual cognition and rapprochement of our nations. Centre for East European Studies at the University and especially the Caucasus Seminar within the Centre for many years now are interested and active in Caucasian issues. It has developed a broad network of contacts, for many years it is hosting scholarship recipients from Caucasus, is organizing annual Caucasus Conference in memory of St. Grigol Peradze and is publishing academic journal “Pro Georgia”. The Centre consists of a very well prepared academic staff, specializing in this fascinating, strategic region full of perspectives. All above mentioned facts contributed to an idea, since 2002, of organizing a permanent presence and ability to operate of the Centre and University of Warsaw in South Caucasus in a form of a academic bureau, which main task would be intensification of cooperation between University of Warsaw and universities from South Caucasian countries.

After few years of intensive preparations we managed to realize our earlier concept. Because of conflicts in Caucasus, in this sense – Armenian-Azerbaijani conflict over Mountainous Karabakh, the place from which we could operate in the whole territory

of South Caucasus is Georgia's capital – Tbilisi. The Caucasus Bureau, formally an academic unit of the Centre, was established according to an agreement between Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University and University of Warsaw during an official visit of UW delegation, with Rector, UW vice-rector Wojciech Tygielski, in Tbilisi in accordance to an "Agreement of the Frameworks of Mutual Cooperation" signed by the authorities of both Universities on the 26th October 2000.

The main field of Caucasus Bureau's activity is organization of cooperation between academic units of University of Warsaw and South Caucasian universities (academic cooperation, assistance for researchers, informational base and academic contacts).

Detailed tasks of the Caucasus Bureau:

1. intensification and coordination of academic cooperation between University of Warsaw and South Caucasian universities, encouraging joint research projects, organizing in the Bureau academic and cultural meetings gathering and bringing together Polish and Caucasian academicians and students
2. coordination of international programs in which University of Warsaw is participating involving South Caucasus
3. organization of our activities in Caucasus in cooperation with partners from Yerevan state University and Baku Slavic University
4. continuation and intensification of the Center's and other UW units own activities in South Caucasus (students exchange, assistance for polish researchers, joint academic projects, publications, permanent academic information service)
5. actions aimed at establishing polish language course as a facultative subject at the three main South Caucasus universities (in cooperation with the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of Poland)
6. equipping the Bureau's library with the most basic (few thousand positions) selection of books and academic journals for the use by the Tbilisi academic society State University
7. of a monthly, open, public lectures at the Tbilisi by well known and respected Polish academicians, specialists and artists, discussing problems of a widely understood issue of transformation – the "Warsaw Lectures" State University

The Centre for East European Studies UW as an initiator has consulted with other academic units of the University of Warsaw (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, Institute of Archeology, Center of Mediterranean Archeology, Institute of Sociology, Institute of History, Center of Polish Language "Polonicum", Department of Local Policy and Development at the Institute of Social, Economic Geography) and received their agreement, interest and the will to cooperate.

East European Studies Scholarship Program

In spring 2001, the Centre for East European Studies opened a competition for 25 scholarships to enter the 2-year Master's Program in Specialist Eastern Studies at the University of Warsaw for candidates from the former Soviet Union and post-communist countries.

The competition and the opportunity to study the subject in Poland were received with great interest in target countries. Opening such possibility is considered both a proof and an example of Poland's involvement in shaping the future of the region.

Almost 1000 candidates from 22 countries have applied for the scholarship in the previous eight editions of the competition. The arduous enrolment procedure (3 stages: application, written test, interview) led to admitting, between 2001 and 2009, almost 190 individuals to the scholarship programme. They came from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Georgia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Mongolia, Romania, Slovakia, Russia, Serbia, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

The state-funded East European Studies Scholarships were established with the intention not only to create a group of well-trained experts on Eastern affairs at home, but also to provide educational opportunities for young specialists from other, especially neighbouring countries, thus offering a rare chance for Poles and their foreign fellow students to study, here in Warsaw, the past, the present and the future of our region together.

The Lane Kirkland Scholarship Program

The Centre for East European Studies has been involved in the Lane Kirkland Scholarship Programme since the academic year 2000/2001, at first as the main organiser and coordinator, and later as the scholarship coordinator in Warsaw. Lane Kirkland Scholarships are available to candidates from Eastern Europe who deal, either in theory or in practice, with post-communist transformation, focusing in particular on the economy, the state and the society. The Polish-American Freedom Foundation is the organiser of the scholarship programme, which is named after Lane Kirkland, the legendary American trade union leader, who supported the Solidarity movement and assisted it in the underground activities; Kirkland also backed pro-independence ambitions of Central and Eastern European countries.

During the first, pilot year, scholarships were granted to students from Ukraine. The Centre organised the programme and hosted 12 scholarship holders in Poland, who had the opportunity to enhance their knowledge at different institutions and universities in Warsaw and completed their studies by submitting diploma theses in the academic year 2000/2001.

Since 2001, the Programme has been expanded to include other countries of the region. Since it is modelled on the Fulbright Programme, it can play a similar role for applicants from countries of our region, enabling them to receive a scholarship of special significance and meaning.

The institution responsible for implementing the Programme throughout Poland is the Fulbright Commission in Poland. The Centre for East European Studies continues to be the Programme's coordinator in Warsaw.

The programme has been developing steadily in the following years, accepting ever growing groups of students. So far, over 450 scholarships have been granted.

Scholarship of the Polish Government for Young Academicians from the East

Since 2003, the Centre for East European Studies has been the organisational and academic coordinator of the special Polish Government's Scholarship Programme for Young Scholars from Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova and the states of South Caucasus and Central Asia. Each year, ca. 70 young scholars are admitted to the programme, who then for nine months study at top Polish universities (in Warsaw, Krakow, Wrocław, Lublin and Poznań). The programme is planned as one-year post-graduate course, during which students, under individual tutorship of eminent Polish professors, master the modern research methodology and acquaint themselves with key new achievements in their areas of interest. The scholarship is offered to students of humanities. In total, nearly 400 individuals have taken part in the program since it was launched.

The First Reunion of Alumni of the Polish Government's Scholarship Programme for Young Scholars took place between 25 and 27 October last year. More than 150 Alumni took part in a two "alumni conferences" aimed at presenting their latest academic achievements and in a number of integration events.

The Konstanty Kalinowski Scholarship Program for students from Belarus

The Konstanty Kalinowski Scholarship Programme is the largest programme in Europe for young Belarusians who have not been able to study in their country because of their political views.

The 19 March 2006 elections in Belarus led to mass protests and, consequently, to mass detentions and repressions against opposition activists.

The Programme was created owing to immediate response from the Polish government and authorities of Polish higher education institutions on 30 March 2006. On that day, Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, the Polish Prime Minister, Alyaksandr Milinkevich representing the United Democratic Forces of Belarus, and Rectors representing the Conference of Polish University Rectors (KRUP) and the Conference of Polish Academic School Rectors (KRASP) signed a Letter of Intent at the University of Warsaw.

The key objectives of the Programme are the following:

- Support to students whose education in Belarus has been prevented
- Offering an opportunity for the students to gain education in the Western Europe
- Engagement of the best Polish higher education institutions
- Showing European values to the students
- Assistance in the students' return to their country

The Konstanty Kalinowski Scholarship Programme is coordinated by the Programme Bureau at the Centre for East European Studies, University of Warsaw, and the Centre's director is in charge of the Programme. The Programme Bureau started operating in summer 2006, organising among other things a three month preparatory course which included classes in Polish and English languages, lectures on history and culture of the Central and Eastern Europe, as well as contemporary international affairs, with special focus on the European Union. Additionally, the students took part in a cultural programme and went on a month-long trip around Poland, the aim of which was to make them familiar them with the Polish culture and historical monuments, as well as the cities and universities they were going to study at.

In July 2006, in the first year of the Programme's operation, 244 individuals were qualified for the scholarships. They were enrolled on studies at 77 various faculties at 37 higher education institutions in 15 cities of Poland.

In 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 academic years the Program was continued. Over 220 young Belarusians were granted with Polish Gov. scholarships to study in the Polish Universities.

Most scholarship recipients are continuing or have undertaken studies in humanities, thus creating a unique opportunity in the recent history of Belarus, to educate the new Belarusian elite in the democratic, Western, European spirit.

Scholarship Program of the German Historical Institute in Warsaw

The Centre for East European Studies, on behalf of the University of Warsaw, has been the academic coordinator for scholarships granted by the German Historical Institute in Warsaw since the academic year 2001/2002. The scholarships, lasting one or two months, are offered to young historians from Belarus, Kaliningrad Oblast, Latvia, Lithuania and Ukraine. Each visiting researcher is assigned a tutor by the Centre. So far, scholarships have been granted to over 40 historians.

The Lew Sapieha Award

The Lew Sapieha Award was presented for the fifth time in 2010. This award, granted under the patronage of the President of the Republic of Poland, is given in recognition of the winners' great merits in the shaping and development of civil society in Belarus and in building an independent and democratic Belarus, open to Europe and respecting the best historical traditions of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth, and in building and development of civil society in Central and Eastern Europe.

The initiative to establish the Award in 2006 came from the Centre for East European Studies of the University of Warsaw and the Eastern Europe College in Wrocław, which were joined and supported by the University of Warsaw, the Jagiellonian University, and the Universities of Poznań, Wrocław and Białystok. The main concept of the Award is that the Laureates will give visit lectures about Belarus during the academic year at various universities, where they will be offered good living and working conditions, and the opportunity to realise their potential as lecturers and to make Polish students familiar with Belarusian issues. If a Laureate writes a book as a result of the stay, it will be published.

The intended effect of this initiative is a significant increase in popularity of Belarusian issues in Polish academic circles. This award is also expected to help the Belarusian intelligentsia because it will show to those Belarusian citizens who want changes in their country that their neighbours are genuinely and sympathetically interested not only in their current affairs but also in their past.

The first Award in 2006 was presented to Valantsin Holubieu PhD, a historian from Minsk. In 2007, the Award went to Yazep Yanushkevich PhD, specialist in literary studies from Minsk. The Laureate of the Award granted in 2008 is Siarhei Tokc PhD, a historian from Grodno. The fourth Award in 2009 was presented to Aliaksandr Zlutkha PhD, specialist in literary studies from Minsk. The fifth Award in 2010 was presented to Uladzimir Liakhouski PhD, a historian from Minsk.

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The Centre for East European Studies was the coordinator of the SENSE programme SENSE (Strategic Economic Needs and Security Exercise), offering training to government staff from neighbouring countries. The training sessions are prepared in cooperation with the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the War Games and Simulation Centre of the Polish National Defence University and the United States Institute for Peace (USIP).

The Programme consists of two parts, the academic part and the computer simulation part. In the first part participants attend a cycle of seminars discussing issues related to system, economic and social transformation in the broad meaning of the term. The seminars are taught by former senior state officials, who have hands-on experience in the process of transformation of Poland. The second part comprises training in negotiation techniques and conflict resolving methods, and a computer simulation. The simulation is carried out under a licence granted to the Centre for East European Studies by USIP.

Three trainings were held in 2006 for representatives of government, business and ngo circles from Moldova (July) and Ukraine (September/October). Representatives of the independent civil society from Belarus also received training in December. Representatives of Azerbaijan and Georgia were trained in 2007. Two trainings were attended by representatives of Serbia, Afghanistan and Ukraine in 2008. So far, 330 people have taken part in the trainings.

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