

ESF-SCSS Member Organisation Forum MOCEE Final Conference

2 December 2008, Budapest (HU)

IN MOTION

COOPERATION OF EAST AND WEST IN EUROPEAN SOCIAL SCIENCE

In 2006, the European Science Foundation launched the project "Member Organisations in Central and Eastern Europe" or MOCEE in abbreviated form. Its objective was to find new and more efficient ways of the internationalisation of social sciences in Central and Eastern Europe. The project has been managed as a Member Organisation Forum, that is, a scheme where ESF Member Organisations and their representatives could discuss the issues of the internal life of science, exchange best practice and ideas about international cooperation. This MO Forum has had Central and Eastern Europe and social sciences as targets, and, consequently, the Member Organisations and the social scientists from the region played the most active roles in the project.

After two years, it is time to sum up what the project has reached and also to look forward: at the initiatives springing from the efforts of MOCEE. Thus, the conference will be "final" because its objective is to complete the project, but this finalisation is to be the beginning of a number of new programmes and projects. The participants will evaluate the results, discuss the initiatives and the possibilities of cooperation on a higher level, also the question whether MOCEE has had some message and lessons beyond social sciences and beyond the Central and Eastern European region.

The conference is hosted by the Hungarian Scientific Research Fund (OTKA).

PROGRAMME

SUMMING UP

CHAIR: GÁBOR MAKARA, PRESIDENT, OTKA COMMITTEE, HUNGARIAN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH FUND (OTKA)

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| 9.30 – 9.40 | Opening, tour de table |
| 9.40 – 10.00 | Introduction to the MOCEE project – Berry Bonenkamp, <i>NWO, Social Sciences</i> |
| 10.00 – 10.20 | "The 'Catching up' – A Myth or a Strategy? Internationalisation of social sciences in Central and Eastern Europe" A volume to be published by Routledge – Dagmar Kutsar, <i>University of Tartu, Department of Sociology and Social Policy</i> |
| 10.20 – 10:40 | Sociology in Europe – Claire Wallace, <i>Professor of Sociology at the University of Aberdeen and President of the European Sociological Association</i> |

- 10.40 – 10.55 Discussion
- 10.55 – 11.10 Coffee break
- 11.10 – 11.30 Promoting internationalisation of social sciences in CEE countries, an ESF – SCSS Position Paper – Ilona Pálné Kovács, *Director of the Regional Research Centre, Hungarian Academy of Sciences*
- 11.30 – 12.15 Discussion
- 12.15 – 13.00 Lunch

LOOKING FORWARD

CHAIR: MILENA ZIC-FUCHS, CROATIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND ARTS, AND UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB, CORE GROUP OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR HUMANITIES (ESF)

- 13.00 – 13.20 Peer Review at the ESF: Technical and Strategic Aspects – Güliz Sütçü, *Junior Science Officer, Social Sciences Unit ESF*
- 13.20 – 13.30 Discussion
- 13.30 – 13.50 "Open Access – a way to enhance visibility and accessibility of social science research results in Central and Eastern Europe" – Agnieszka Wenninger, *GESIS, Information Transfer Eastern Europe, Berlin Germany*
- 13.50 – 14.00 Discussion
- 14.00 – 14.20 "Central and Eastern Europe Beyond Transition: Convergence and Divergence in Europe" a Forward Look proposal – Karen Henderson, *University of Leicester, Department of Politics and International Relations*
- 14.20 – 14.40 Discussion
- 14.40 – 15.00 Coffee break
- 15.00 – 15.20 "Central and East European Scholarship in the Humanities: looking forward" – Nina Kancewicz-Hoffman, *Head of Humanities Unit (ESF)*
- 15.20 – 15.30 Discussion
- 15.30 – 15.50 "Harnessing the assets of Central and Eastern European Scholarship. Practical proposals and perspectives"– Rüdiger Klein, *Senior Science Officer (ESF)*
- 15.50 – 16.20 Discussion
- 16.20 – 16.30 End of the conference