

20th September, Thursday

8:00 Registration Desk open at **University of Warsaw New Library** (address: **56/66 Dobra street**)

9:00 Welcome and introduction: Minister Grazyna Gęszicka, Prof. Grzegorz Gorzelak, Chief Executive of the Regional Studies Association Sally Hardy

9:30 Panel of Ministers: DILEMMAS OF COHESION POLICY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

11:00 Ministers press conference / Coffee

11:45 Katarina Mathernova, Deputy Director General, Regio DGA European Commission: WHAT COHESION POLICY DOES EUROPE NEED?

12:30 PLENARY SESSION

PLENARY SESSION 1 (Room A) CEE: a traditional periphery or a new growth pole?

Chair: Grzegorz Gorzelak , EUROREG, University of Warsaw, Poland	
Witold Orłowski , Business school, University of Warsaw of Technology, Poland	What is the meaning of 'convergence' in CEE?
Phil Cooke , Centre for Advanced Studies, University of Wales, United Kingdom	Global Innovation Challenges: Eastern European Regional Opportunities
Jerzy Kwieciński , Ministry of Regional Development, Poland	Development strategy as a tool for increasing competitiveness

14:00 Lunch

15:00 PLENARY SESSION

PLENARY SESSION 2 (Room A) Growing regional disparities: an objective necessity or a failure of Cohesion policy?

Chair: Hans Joachim Kujath , Institute for Regional Development and Structural Planning (IRS), Germany	
Grzegorz Gorzelak & Maciej Smełkowski , EUROREG, University of Warsaw, Poland	Regional dynamics in Central and Eastern Europe
Wendelin Strubelt , Federal Office for Building and Regional Planning, Germany	East Germany – failures and successes of German reunification
Andres Rodriguez-Pose , Dept. of Geography and Environment, London School of Economics, United Kingdom	R&D policies and innovation in the enlarged Europe
Piotr Żuber , Ministry of Regional Development, Poland	From problem areas to territorially based management: the Polish case

16:30 Coffee

16:45 WORKSHOPS

Workshop 1.1 (Room A) <i>CEE: a traditional periphery or a new growth pole?</i>		Workshop 2.1 (Room B) <i>Growing regional disparities: an objective necessity or a failure of Cohesion policy?</i>	
Chair: Bolesław Domański , Institute of Geography and Spatial Management, Jagiellonian University, Poland		Chair: Marek Kozak , EUROREG, University of Warsaw, Poland	
Sabine Zillmer , Institute for Regional Development and Structural Planning (IRS), Germany	Which role do macro-regions play for the competitiveness of Central and Eastern Europe?	Piotr Wójcik , Faculty of Economic Sciences, University of Warsaw, Poland	Patterns of regional convergence in Poland
György Kukely , Centre for Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary	Chance for Central Eastern Europe: new pole of research and development	Krzysztof Piech , Warsaw School of Economics, Poland	Convergence of Polish regions – influence of EU funds
Mihaela Vrabete , Ministry Of Development, Public Works And Housing, Romania	Strategic concept of Romania's spatial development and re-integration within eu spatial structures 2007-2030. Ensuring the conditions for a balanced sustainable development of the national territory as part of the EU competitive potential	Elżbieta Wojnicka , Institute of Economics, University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszów, Poland	Regional disparities – necessity during catching up, obstacle if they last too long
Barbara Szymoniuk , Lublin University of Technology, Poland	Partnership of clusters: an opportunity for European peripheries. The case of the Lubelskie Region in Eastern Poland	Sebastian Büttner , Graduate School of Social Sciences (GSSS), University of Bremen, Germany	Rather structural decoupling than systematic failure: The EU Cohesion Policy and regional development strategies in Poland
Piotr Kuropatwiński , Economic Policy department, University of Gdańsk, Poland	Model garden metropolis or a transport node in the global metropolitan network		

18:15 RECEPTION AT THE UNIVERSITY NEW LIBRARY HOSTED BY THE RECTOR

21th September, Friday

9:00 Registration Desk open at the University

9:30 PLENARY SESSION

PLENARY SESSION 3 (Room A) Metropolises of CEE: new competitors or secondary nodes of the global metropolitan network?	
Chair: Wendelin Strubelt , Federal Office for Building and Regional Planning, Germany	
Peter Taylor , Department of Geography, Loughborough University, Director of the Globalization and World Cities (GaWC) Research Network, United Kingdom	Cities, networks, and development: towards a central flow theory
Ludek Sykora , Department of Social Geography and Regional Development, Faculty of Science, Charles University, Czech Republic	Metropolises of CEE: Multiplicity of Roles in Global, European, National and Local Settlement Hierarchies
Jan Maarten de Vet , Brussels director of ECOTEC /ECORYS Research & Consulting, Belgium	The State of European Cities: pathways for Central and Eastern European cities
István Kovács , Vice President for Department Policy and Planning, National Development Agency of Hungary, Hungary	Developing Hungary's metropolitan areas
Péter Szaló , State Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development, Hungary	Challenges of urban development in Hungary

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Workshop 1.2 (Room A) <i>CEE: a traditional periphery or a new growth pole?</i>		Workshop 2.2 (Room B) <i>Growing regional disparities: an objective necessity or a failure of Cohesion policy?</i>		Workshop 3.1 (Room C) <i>Metropolises of CEE: new competitors or secondary nodes of the global metropolitan network?</i>		Workshop 4.1 (Room D) <i>External Borders of the EU: a limitation or an opportunity for development?</i>	
Chair: Sabine Zillmer , Institute for Regional Development and Structural Planning (IRS), Germany		Chair: Elżbieta Wojnicka , Institute of Economics, University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszów, Poland		Chair: Wojciech Jarczewski , Institute of Urban Development, Poland		Chair: Alexei Kiryukhin , Council of Heads of Border Regions of Belarus, Russia and Ukraine, Ukraine	
Tomasz Zarycki , Institute for Social Studies, University of Warsaw, Poland	Culture as Basis of Peripheral of Grow-Pole Status? Cultural Dimension of Central-Eastern Europe's Relations with Western Europe	Olga Mrinska , Institute for Public Policy Research North, Bioscience Centre, International Centre for Life, United Kingdom	The role of public sector in the Northern England: challenges and perspectives	Hans Joachim Kujath , Institute for Regional Development and Structural Planning (IRS), Germany	Developing Potentials of the Central and East European Metropolises for their Way towards the Knowledge Economy	Dóra Illés , VÁTI Hungarian Public Nonprofit Company for Regional Development and Town Planning, Hungary	„Iron Curtain” and the external border – now and 17 years ago
Grażyna Bukowska , Faculty of Economic Sciences, University of Warsaw, Poland	Is there an East-Central European Variety of Democratic Capitalism? Mapping Stability and Change	Marek Kozak , EUROREG, University of Warsaw, Poland, Paweł Samecki , National Bank of Poland, Poland Paweł Opala , National Bank of Poland, Poland	EU Cohesion Policy: a decline behind the Horizon?	Zoltán Gal , Centre for regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary	Warsaw-Budapest-Prague: future Bangalores or Singapores, or something different – International financial centre formation in the CEE region	Sylwia Dołzbiasz & Andrzej Raczek , Institute of Geography and Regional Development, Department of Spatial Management, University of Wrocław, Poland	The implementation of cross-border cooperation programme within Interreg IIIA in the eastern border area of Poland.
Gyöngyi Csuka , Networked Research Group On Regional Innovation And Development Studies, Hungary	The Examination of the Legal and Legal Systemic Factors of the Competitiveness of the Countries of Central and Eastern Europe	Mihály Szivos , Networked Research Group On Regional Innovation And Development Studies, Hungary	Differences between the new macroregions in Hungary and their effects on neighbouring countries	Katarzyna Kuć-Czajkowska , Department of Local Government and Policies, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Poland	Warsaw, Prague, Budapest – metropolitan functions comparison	Jenni Jaakkola , Pan-European Institute, Turku School of Economics, Finland	Economic growth and regional dispersion of income in CEE countries
						Anna Cellmer , Faculty of Geodesy and Land Management, University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, Poland	Chances and development limitations of Warmia and Mazury Province as a transborder region of Europe

13:00 Lunch

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14:00 PLENARY SESSION

PLENARY SESSION 4 (Room A) CEE and the EU Cohesion policy reforms: a source of change or a defender of the status quo?	
Chair: George Petrakos , Department of Planning and Regional Development, University of Thessaly, Greece	
Ronald Hall , European Commission, Belgium	The future of Cohesion Policy
John Bachtler , European Policies Research Centre, University of Strathclyde, United Kingdom	Future challenges for EU Cohesion policy
Jan Olbrycht , Member of the European Parliament, Poland	Reforms of EU Cohesion Policy: possible scenarios

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Workshop 1.3 (Room A) <i>CEE: a traditional periphery or a new growth pole?</i>		Workshop 2.3 (Room B) <i>Growing regional disparities: an objective necessity or a failure of Cohesion policy?</i>		Workshop 3.2 (Room C) <i>Metropolises of CEE: new competitors or secondary nodes of the global</i>		Workshop 4.2 (Room D) <i>External Borders of the EU: a limitation or an opportunity for development?</i>	
Chair: Maciej Smełkowski , EUROREG, University of Warsaw, Poland		Chair: Olga Mrinska , Institute for Public Policy Research North, Bioscience Centre, International Centre for Life, United Kingdom		Chair: Zoltán Gal , Centre for regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary		Chair: Jenni Jaakkola , Pan-European Institute, Turku School of Economics, Finland	
Solomiya Zinko , Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, Ukraine; Stepan Trokhymchuk , Halytsky Institute of Lviv, Ukraine	The role of Ukraine in stabilization and integration processes in the CEE region	Justyna Sokółowska-Woźniak , Higher Business School-National Louis University, Poland	Regions of knowledge in Poland	Andrzej Młodak , Statistical Office in Poznań, Urban Statistics Centre, Poland	Statistics of Polish metropolises – problems and perspectives.	Alexei Kiryukhin , Council of Heads of Border Regions of Belarus, Russia and Ukraine, Ukraine	Russian – Ukrainian euroregions: problems and perspectives
Bolesław Domański, Robert Guzik and Krzysztof Gwosdz , Institute of Geography and Spatial Management, Jagiellonian University, Poland	New drive of the post-communist periphery: Polish automotive industry in the European division of labour	Aleksandra Koźlak & Barbara Pawłowska , University of Gdansk, Faculty of Economics, Poland	The compensations of Polish regions economic chances by improvements in the transport infrastructure accessibility	Wojciech Jarczewski , Institute of Urban Development, Poland	Kraków-Upper Silesia Cluster (KRUS) - Example of Polycentric European Cooperation Center	Wojciech Dąbrowski , Department of Economic Geography, University of Gdansk, Poland	Investigating Non-Governmental Organizations cooperating across the European Union external border. Examples from Polish-Russian and Polish-Ukrainian border regions.
Katarzyna Kopczewska , Faculty of Economic Science, University of Warsaw, Poland	Geographical rent in socio-economic development. Is borderland ready for changes?	Ivan Šotkovský , Faculty of Economics, Technical University of Ostrava, Czech Republic	Population Development in the Czech Republic from Spatial Point of View	Adrian Cybula , University of Silesia, Poland	Silesian-Dąbrowa Metropolitan Area: Curse and Blessing of Diversity	Joanna Żurawska & Iwona Małowska , Marshall's Office of the Opole Vivodeship, Poland	The Opolskie Voivodeship as an example of border located region - opportunities and threats for regional development.

19:00 Conference dinner

22nd September, Saturday

9:00 Registration Desk open at the University

9:30 PLENARY SESSION

PLENARY SESSION 5 (Room A) External Borders of the EU: a limitation or an opportunity for development?	
Chair: Jan Maarten de Vet , Brussels director of ECOTEC /ECORYS Research & Consulting, Belgium	
Vladimir Kolossov , Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia	Transcending the problem of scale: international communications and borders regions
George Petrakos , Department of Planning and Regional Development, University of Thessaly, Greece	Economic geography and European integration: the effects on the EU external border regions
James Scott , Leibniz-Institute for Regional Development and Structural Planning, Erkner, Germany	The European Union and borders of inclusion and exclusion

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Workshop 1.4 (Room A) <i>CEE: a traditional periphery or a new growth pole?</i>		Workshop 2.4 (Room B) <i>Growing regional disparities: an objective necessity or a failure of Cohesion policy?</i>		Workshop 5.1 (Room C) <i>CEE and the EU Cohesion policy reforms: a source of change or a defender of the status quo?</i>	
Chair: Tomasz Zarycki , Institute for Social Studies, University of Warsaw, Poland		Chair: Justyna Sokolowska-Woźniak , Higher Business School-National Louis University, Poland		Chair: Tomasz Grzegorz Grosse , The Institute of Public Affairs, Poland	
Gabor Lux , Centre for Regional Studies, Transdanubian Research Institute, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary	The Changing Spatial Structure of Industry in Central Europe	Ewa Łaźniewska, Piotr Nowak , Poznan University of Economics, Poland	Interdependencies between the level of development of between Poland and the EU (25) and the differences in the intra-regional level of development	Tomasz Grzegorz Grosse , The Institute of Public Affairs, Poland	Could be the EU cohesion policy more innovative in peripheral regions of the new member countries?
Zofia Chyra-Rolicz , University of Podlasie, Poland	New perspectives for the southern Podlasie region in condition of EC integration - chances and possibilities	Elżbieta Adamowicz , Faculty Of Economics, University Of Gdansk, Poland	The assessment of factors influencing peripherality	Michelle Wishardt , Leeds Metropolitan University, United Kingdom	The application of Sustainable Communities Agenda to Central and Eastern Europe - how viable is it?
		Valentyna Smal , Kyiv Economic Institute, Ukraine	Economically Distressed Areas: Ukrainian Example	Marek Furmankiewicz , Department of Rural landscape Planning and Development, Wroclaw University of Environmental and Life Sciences, Poland	Enhancing endogenous development in rural Poland-the evaluation of LEADER Pilot Programme in Poland
		Jarosław Nazarczuk & Alina Źróbek-Różańska , Department of Economic and Regional Policy, Faculty of Economic Sciences, University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, Poland	The outline of investment climate in warmia and mazury voivodship on the background of cohesion policy	Michael Baun , Department of Political Science, Valdosta State University, United States; Dan Marek , Department of Politics and European Studies, Palacky University, Czech Republic	The Czech Republic and EU Cohesion Policy
				Josef Postranecky , Department of Development and Strategy of the Regional Policy, Ministry for Regional Development of the Czech Republic, Czech Republic	Regional policy in the Czech Republic context

13:00 CONCLUDING REMARKS, CONFERENCE CLOSING

13:30 Lunch

14:30-18.00 STUDY TOUR TO WARSAW (optional, free of charge)

23rd September, Sunday

9:00-17:00 STUDY TOUR TO WARSAW REGION (optional, 50 euro)