





# Social Integration and Cohesion in Post-Communist Europe 17-18 October 2008

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**Preliminary Programme** 

## Friday, 17 October

13.00-14.00 Registration, Coffee/Tea

14.00-14.15 Welcome

14.15-15.00 Guest lecture + Discussion

Dr David Galbreath, University of Aberdeen

Looking at Social Integration and Cohesion from the Top-Down

15.00-17.00 Session I

Theoretical approaches to social integration and cohesion

Andrew Walters, University of the West of Scotland/CRCEES, PhD Student

Social forces and the construction of hegemony: a neo-Gramscian approach to social integration and cohesion in post-communist Europe

Ada-Charlotte Regelmann, University of Glasgow/ASRF, PhD Student

Social integration as structuration process. Assessing possible outcomes

Timofey Agarin, University of Aberdeen, PhD Student

Social Integration in the Baltic State: How Do Institutions Mitigate Conflict?

Rachel Clements, Newcastle University/CRCEES, PhD Student

What have the Poles ever done for us? Using urban theory to inform a study on Polish migration to Glasgow

17.00-17.30 Coffee/Tea

#### 17.30-19.00 Session II

### **Policy impacts on Integration and Cohesion**

### Michail Biniakos, Newcastle University/CRCEES, PhD Student

What kind of Social Integration and Cohesion in Post-Communist Europe and from whom? Evidence from the North-East Region (or Moldova) of Romania.

### Lucia A. Seybert, Cornell University, USA, PhD Student

Minority Rights in Eastern Europe and the Post-Accession Effects of Membership Conditionality

### Rachel Le Noan, University of Aberdeen/CRCEES, PhD Student

The Russian Minorities in Post-Communist Europe: The Impact of Diaspora Politics on Social Integration and Cohesion

## Saturday, 18 October

9.00-9.30 Coffee/Tea

9.30-9.45 Revision Day I (Katarzyna Bylok)

9.45-10.30 Guest lecture + Discussion

Prof. Zdzisław Mach, Jagiellonian University Krakow/Poland

TBA

10.30-11.30 Session III

### **Discussing Integration**

### Dr. Umut Korkut, University College Dublin, Ireland

Discussing Social Integration and Cohesion: Rhetorics of Power, Poverty and Economic Liberalism in Hungary

### Dr. Marlies Bilz-Leonhardt, Independent Scholar, Hamburg/Lübeck

Integration or Exclusion? Tartar-Russian Relations since 1985

11.30-13.00 Lunch and Coffee/Tea

'Hetherington Research Club', 13 University Gardens

13.00-14.00 Session IV

### **Exploring Integration on the Micro-Level**

### Majda Becirovic, Open University Milton Keynes, PhD Student

A Qualitative Study of Children with Disablities and their Families in Eastern Europe

### Helen Lowther, Newcastle University, PhD Student

All work and no play? The participation of Polish migrants in cultural activities in the North East of England

14.00-14.30 Final Discussion

14.30 End of Conference