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SEMINAR FOR PHD STUDENTS
“EU and the new neighbours: in search of a new relationship”
30th May- 1st June 2007
Call for applicants

The seminar takes place in the framework of the project **“EU and the New Neighbours: in Search of a New Relationship”**, organised by the Istituto per l'Europa Centro-Orientale e Balcanica, in association with the University of Turku (Finland), the Institute for European Law of the University of Graz (Austria), the Coimbra Group, the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium), the School for Policy Studies of the University of Bristol (UK) and the Italian Association of Slavic Studies, and with the support of the European Commission.

Aim of the round table is to develop the knowledge of the European enlargement process and the neighbourhood policy through the organisation of a seminar for university researchers. During the seminar different subjects of peculiar importance concerning the widening process of the EU, the neighbourhood policy and the EU-Russia relations will be discussed and analysed with an interdisciplinary and comparative approach.

The initiative is composed by two days conference (see above) and three days of intensive seminar that will gather a group of prominent professors, journalists and policy makers together with well-known experts and scholars from Russia, Italy, other EU member-states and officials of the European Commission.

The Institute for Central and Eastern Europe and the Balkans offers to 10 PhD students a grant covering the travel and subsistence costs for attending the conference and the seminar.

The grant is aimed at supporting research in human sciences on the themes of the conference, being the neighbourhood policy and the relations between the Russian Federation and the European Union. It can be awarded to PhD student under the age of 35 (at the date of submission of the application), coming from Russia or a European Union member state, who is conducting a research on a topic of the conference (see above). An Active knowledge of English is a condition for obtaining the grant.

Applications must be submitted before **20th March 2007**. The applicant's dossier should include the following documents:

- a comprehensive curriculum vitae with photo
- a cover letter specifying the candidate's interest in the grant
- a summary of the research he/she is conducting with a description of the research topic and the methodology
- a letter of recommendation from the supervisor(s) of the research.

The complete dossier must be sent by email to the Coimbra Group at the following address:

quici@coimbra-group.be

By accepting the grant, the PhD students commits him/herself to:

- Participate in and contribute to the conference and the seminar;
- Prepare, during the seminar, a scientific paper containing critical comments to the topics of the conference,
- Mention the grant received in all publications concerning his/her research discussed during the stay in Forlì;
- Present and discuss his/her research during the seminar.

For further information, visit our website www.eurobalk.net and click on

Call for applicants for “EU and Russia: Challenges on a pan-European perspective”

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MASTER'S PROGRAM MIREES:
Interdisciplinary Master's in East European Research and Studies

MIREES (Interdisciplinary Master in East European Studies) is an innovative Master's Program - unique in Italy and Europe - combining an academic nature with professional training, while being based on an interdisciplinary approach.

MIREES aims at educating young people endowed with a strong inclination towards original scien-

tific research work, encouraging them to keep moving in this direction and opening up the way for - in some cases even facilitated - specialization courses with a view to achieving an international Doctor's Degree.

MIREES aims at developing professional skills. It combines the educational and research activities with a thorough linguistic and scientific training. The prevailing political-economic approach offers the students the possibility to become "Area Experts" so that they can be inserted into managerial careers in international institutions and organizations, public and private institutions, consulting companies, NGOs and public administrations that intend to develop their relations with Eastern Europe in the political, economic, social, and cultural field.

MIREES is conceived in accordance with the new European Union directives (in particular those of Erasmus Mundus): as a matter of fact, it is a pilot project based on transnational partnership, open to students from all over the world, and founded on collaboration within a large network of Universities. The MA program aims in this way at encouraging students and teaching staff from all over the world (especially from the U.S. and Australia) to acquire a European study experience and a European qualification focusing on a significant region of Europe.

MIREES, also in accordance with EU directives, encourages the use of at least two languages among those of the Member States, since it couples courses of English with courses of Italian for all non-native students, and adds to that one or more languages of present candidate countries (like Hungarian, Polish and Slovak), besides Russian and Bosniacs-Croatian-Serbian.

Students admitted to the MIREES program pay 8000 Euro in 4 installments. Admitted students may be eligible for special grants based on academic achievements offered by CEI University Network, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Fondazione Garzanti.

Finally, MIREES is a Program whose implementation involves the entire Polo Scientifico-Didattico di Forlì, because the necessary wide-ranging choice of languages inevitably involves the School of Interpreters and Translators, SSLIMIT, while the main focus on political-economic aspects must rely both the School of Faculty of Political Science and the School of Economics, while an involvement of the Faculty of Engineering is not ruled out for the future.

Students mobility

In view of the final part of the learning activities and deepening the knowledge of the languages involved, students are required to spend during the second year of the program a minimum of 5 months at one of the Universities included in the MIREES Academic Network.

The selection of the University included in the MIREES Academic Network for the period of study is to be negotiated with the Faculty programs' directors on the basis of the following:

1. the students' study program and their thesis project
2. the developed student's skills during the first year of study in Forlì
3. the number of available exchange places offered by the hosting University.

The mobility is however structured on the basis of two main programs: the MIREES mobility scheme (available to all enrolled students) and the Socrates Program (available to EU citizens only, according to the Socrates regulations). Mobility to the partner Universities that recognize jointly the diploma is however highly recommended.

Fees and Grants:

Students admitted to the MIREES programme pay 8000 euro in 4 installments. Admitted students may be eligible for special grants based on academic achievements offered by CEI University Network, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Fondazione Garzanti.

MIREES, this academic year, provides students with a good academic performance and belonging to a low income category with 6 scholarships covering tuition fees for the two years of the master's and 2 scholarships covering tuition fees for the first year of the master's. In addition to this the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs provides 6 scholarships to students coming from Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Serbia-Montenegro, Macedonia and Kosovo to cover living expenses in Italy.

The decision to award scholarships is made by the Scientific Committee of MIREES. Students aiming to get a scholarship are requested to specify their intention in the application form, so that confirmation of the awarded scholarship may be included in the e-mail of admission sent to the applicant.

Socrates exchange program or equivalent:

In addition, students admitted to the second year of MIREES may benefit from mobility contributions within the framework of the Socrates program that provides support for internships /periods of study in the country under scrutiny in view of the thesis, for a minimum period of 5 months. Comparable grants will be offered by the University of Bologna for students' mobility to University partners which are not eligible to the Socrates program.

Tuition fees

The total tuition fee is of 8,000.00 Euro for the whole 2-year period and is to be paid in 4 installments of 2,000.00 Euro each.

Degree Awarded

Master's degree in East European Research and Studies, issued by the University of Bologna (Italy) jointly with the University at Kaunas (Lithuania), the Daniel Berzsényi College in Szombathely (Hungary) and the University of Ljubljana (Slovenia).

Career Opportunities

MIRESS provides an excellent foundation for PhD studies and enables students to complete quickly their following doctorate program. As Area Experts they can be inserted into managerial careers in international institutions and organizations, public and private institutions, consulting companies, NGOs and public administrations.

In the section devoted to the Master's program of the MIREES site (<http://www.mirees.it/>) you can find the list of the courses for the present academic year, their detailed description and the CV of all the teachers teaching at our master and their affiliation.

Should you have additional questions, do not hesitate to contact Massimiliano del Gatto, Didactic Manager of the Program, using the media listed below.

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Next enlargement of the Master's MIREES' partnership with Moscow State University

Since late 8th to 13th January, professor Andrea Filippo Saba, both Mirees' *academic advisor* for Politics and International Relations study area and *academic coordinator* for History, Media, and Cultural Studies area, has granted a visit to Moscow, in order to set up special cooperation for the students' mobility.

Professor Saba had therefore a meeting, held at Moscow School of Economics, a faculty recently added to Moscow State University "Lomonosov", which in 2004 has taken the burden to start up in the Russian capital a very bold institution, especially interested in offering business and applied economical tools, with some in-deep sight to some theoretical issue. The teaching staff is made up of many professors who are members of the Russian Academy of Sciences, there included the director of the School, professor Nepikelov, and of some foreign ones. Problems of Contemporary Russian Economy, Social and Demographic Development in Contemporary Russia, Economics of Enterprise and Russian Practice are some of the issue which could become topics of Mirees'students. Professor Saba met professor Sergey Shakin, *first deputy director*, and professors and *deputy directors* Victor Kravets, Yury Karpichev.

At the prestigious Faculty of History, which covers also the politological studies, professor Saba met the *dean*, professor Sergei Karpov, and the professors Igor Filippov, *deputy dean* for International Relations, and Aleksandr Barsenkov. Besides those on Russia and Slavic countries, the Faculty of History at MSU has set up a lot of studies on Italy, as well as on other Euro-latin countries, and strong commitments to go forth with cooperation have been stated by both parties.

Finally, professor Saba held a meeting also at Moscow's Center for Human Rights, part of Memorial, the biggest NGO (as a federation), which works in Russia, to allow Mirees' students researching in third sector and eventually experiencing that special environment.

COURSE ON IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM POLICY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

The Odysseus Academic Network and its members, present in 21 out of the 25 Member States of the European Union, announce their intention to launch a new one-year programme. The Certificate course is aimed at the acquisition of in-depth knowledge of the European Law on Immigration and Asylum in order to train genuine specialists in this developing branch of Community law. You will find more detailed information about these two programmes on the following website:

<http://www.ulb.ac.be/assoc/odysseus/>

For further information or enquiries, please get in touch with Philippe de Bruycker at odysseus@ulb.ac.be

XII CERVIA SUMMER SCHOOL

Beyond the Enlargement: The Greater Europe and the New Neighbourhood

For the 12th successive year, in 2006 our Summer School took place as usual in the first weeks of September. Here follows the description of the latest edition. Do not miss the next one in 2007!

Beyond the Enlargement: The Greater Europe and the New Neighbourhood. This was not just the title of the XII CEI International Summer School, but also the atmosphere which characterized Hotel Genzianella at Cervia, where the courses were held. The fifty-one students who attended the school came from many countries of Central and Eastern Europe and the Balkans (including Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Georgia, Greece, Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldavia, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine), as well as some Western European countries like Italy and Austria, and were among the most brilliant graduates of their respective universities. Day in, day out -for two weeks- they met and discussed issues concerning EU enlargement, economic transition and sustainable development in Europe-25 and its neighbours.

This year marked a watershed in the history of our Summer School: for the first time "CEI" was added to its official denomination. Indeed, our relations with the CEI had been growing closer and closer since 1999, when we launched a two-year research project resulting in a Policy Paper which was published on the website of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The project dealt with a possible re-organisation of CEI policy lines in view of a foreseeable eastwards enlargement of the European Union. After that, we organized courses in Cervia for CEI diplomats (two 40-day courses) during the two following years; the CEI has sponsored and sustained us ever since. All things considered, the conversion of our Summer School into "CEI Summer School" was but a logical conclusion.

This year's courses were held by forty teachers from European and extra-European universities, as well as experts from research centres or national and international institutions, such as Johan J. Du Toit (Judge at the International Tribunal for War Crimes in the Former Yugoslavia), Hans-Jörg Kretschmer (Ambassador, Head of the EU Delegation in Turkey), Georg Oberreiter (Plenipotentiary Minister of the Austrian Embassy in Bucharest), György Schöpflin and Henrik Lax (European Parliament).

The presence at Cervia of such esteemed professionals proves the high quality of our Summer School as an academic and research project; moreover, the fact that the above-mentioned persons had already taken part in previous editions of the Summer School clearly shows that it is perceived as an important yearly appointment. The continued solid support by the Municipality of Cervia and the University of Bologna, this year in cooperation with MAE and CEI, was vital to the school's success. You cannot successfully host students and teachers from all over the world on the Adriatic coast for twelve consecutive years by sheer coincidence!

The cultural diversity enriching the classes with interesting exchanges could be experienced also outside the classrooms. Students from different countries and with different backgrounds met at the same table, shared the rooms and spent their evenings together. After all, a clear aim of the Summer School is to foster good human relations between tomorrow's political leaders.

Since the first edition of the International Summer School, historically held in Cervia, the students have been awarded a final Certificate upon writing either a political or an economic paper on a specific subject among those covered by the varied Summer School lectures.

Among the latest batch of papers received and evaluated by the Centre's staff, one has been selected for web publication: Marco Ranieri, *An Economic Agenda for the Republic of Macedonia*.

The prize for the winner-author is the invitation to present his paper to the next Cervia Summer School. Our warmest congratulations to Marco!

For further information, visit our website www.eurobalk.net and click on XII CEI International Summer School in Cervia.

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Speaker: Prof. Anna Krasteva, New Bulgarian University

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Speaker: Prof. Mikhail Ermolaev, Director of Russian economic TV channel "RBK"
Member of the Eurasian Academy of radio and television

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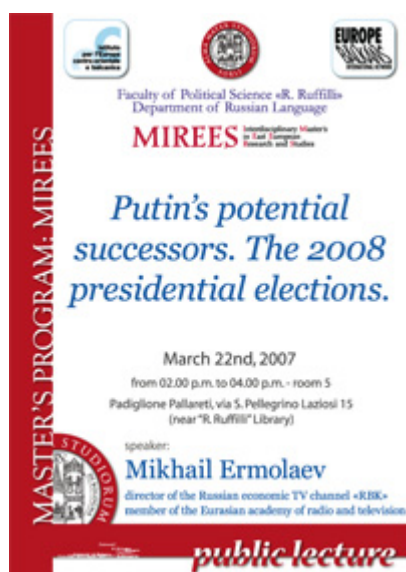


March 21st, 2007

From 9.00 a.m to 11.00 a.m. –room 6

Padiglione Pallareti, Via S. Pellegrino Laziosi 15
(Near "R. Ruffilli" Labrary)

MIREES PUTIN'S POTENTIAL SUCCESSORS. THE 2008 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS



March 22st, 2007

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Presentation

As some of you may already know, we have recently taken over the management of the Journal of Southeastern Europe, published in the USA by Charles Schlacks, (www.schlacks.com; info@schlacks.com).

The Journal has totally renewed its Editorial Board and is aiming to gain new momentum. Having asked for your cooperation and contributions, we received a certain number of articles and book reviews from our subscribers. We wholeheartedly thank you for your support. At present our first issue is not yet complete but, God willing, we will be able to publish it by the late winter.

Nevertheless, this is just the first step; we do intend to go on. We encourage readers to submit articles and contributions. Articles should be 20-25 pages long (36,000-45,000 characters) and should be accompanied by a summary. Book reviews, interviews with political personalities, and relevant news will also be included in every issue.

Please notice that the Journal focuses on Southeastern Europe, i.e. the former Yugoslavia, Albania, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, Cyprus and Turkey, but not the whole of Eastern Europe, though other countries may be involved in interdisciplinary or interregional articles.

Three pillars support its theoretical universe:

- • Pluridisciplinarity – political science, history, sociology, law, anthropology, economics, sustainable development and cultural studies;
- • Interdisciplinarity – issues like nationalism, ethnicity, human rights do not belong to any particular discipline and cut across several of them;
- • Comparative approach - it often replaces verification in social sciences and gives a theoretical background for “measuring” the uniqueness or commonness of the phenomena.

For further information, please visit the JSEE website, on www.journalsoutheasterneurope.net, or get in touch with Ms Sara Barbieri, coordinator of the Management Board, at editorial.iecob@polofoforli.unibo.it

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Portal for the Central-Eastern Europe
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PECOB will be a connection space between Italy and Eastern - Central and Balkan Europe. The Portal aims to provide expert or generic users with scientific contents such as Politics, Economy, Society, Culture and Media coming from the interested countries. The Portal is being developed by the Institute for Eastern, Central and Balkan Europe with the collaboration of the Italian Slavistic Association (AIS) and the Europe and the Balkans International Network. It will permit to diffuse up-to-date information, to produce new scientific contents, to enforce the international collaboration among research groups, scholars, PhD and Master's students on specific issues.

The portal will offer a friendly and intuitive interface, a relevant sources' database, a fast and advanced search possibility, a community, the possibility to access education courses through an E-learning platform.

To create PECOBS collection the Institute for Eastern, Central and Balkan Europe hereby invites you to submit scientific documents, in accordance with the guidelines laid down in www.flexcom.it/PECOBinprogress. "Scientific documents" is meant in the broadest sense, and includes all documents, dissertations, papers, research projects, data, electronically stored information, audio and video recordings, maps, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, and all other records related to the Scientific Areas of Politics, Economy, Society, Culture and Media.

To learn more about PECOBS, please contact the project coordinator at abluebottle@hotmail.com





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CONFERENCES



ASN CONFERENCE: GLOBALIZATION, NATIONALISM AND ETHNIC CONFLICTS IN THE BALKANS AND ITS REGIONAL CONTEXT

New York, 12th-14th April 2007

Following the previous conference, organised by the Forum for Ethnic Relations led by Dušan Janjić at the 'Sava Centar' of Belgrade last September, the ASN waits all its members and the people interested in the study of nationalities issues at its annual conference in New York. The conference will take place at the Columbia University from April 12th to April 14th 2007. As every year, the University of Bologna will be represented through its Istituto per l'Europa Centro-Orientale e Balcanica, which sponsor a round-table with the title "Policies of minorities' accommodation in East Central Europe within and outside the framework of EU conditionality". Chaired by Stefano Bianchini (University of Bologna, Forlì campus) the panel includes three papers: "*Nation-Building and Minority Policy. The Case of Serbia*" presented by Dušan Janjić (Forum for Ethnic Relations, Belgrade); "*Multilingualism and multiculturalism in the Baltic States: differences and similarities*" presented by Ineta Savickiene (Vytautas Magnus, University at Kaunas) and "*Ethnic minorities and breakaway regions in Southern Caucasus. New Challenges in reconfiguring minority's status*" presented by Ivan Iveković (American University at Cairo). Francesco Privitera (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus) will play as discussant.

Among the activities of the conference, the Istituto per l'Europa Centro-Orientale e Balcanica will organize, with Sara Barbieri, a book exhibition of the series edited by academics from the 'Europe and the Balkans' International Network and published by Longo Editore in Ravenna.

"EU AND RUSSIA: THE CHALLENGES OF A PAN EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE"

28th-29th May 2007

The conference will be hold in the Garzanti Hall at the Hotel della Città in Forlì.

Developed within the framework of the project "**EU and the New Neighbours: in Search of a New Relationship**", it is organised by the Istituto per l'Europa Centro Orientale e Balkanica, in collaboration with the University of Turku (Finland), the Institute for European Law of the University of Graz (Austria), the Coimbra Group, the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium), the School for Policy Studies of the University of Bristol (UK) and the Italian Association of Slavic Studies and with the financial support of the European Commission.

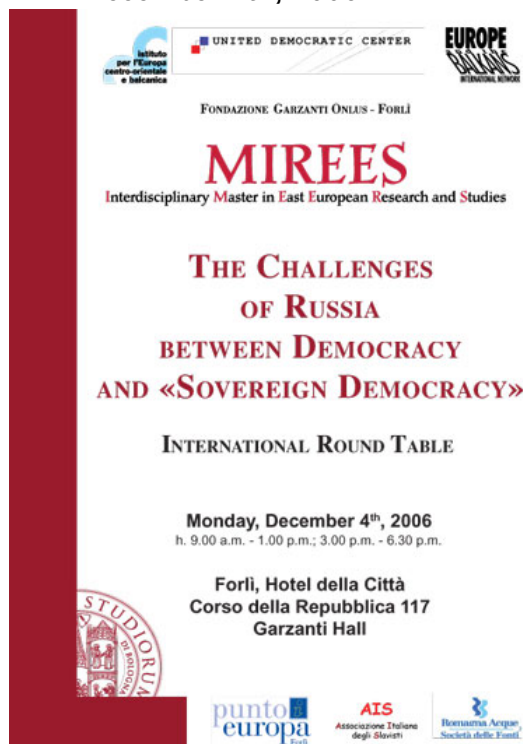
The conference aims at discuss the complex scenario of the relations between Russia and the EU, focusing on political, economic as well as geo-strategic issues and it is composed of four sections:

1. "Values, Interest and Borders"
 - a. Dialectics between Values and Interests
 - b. Migrations
 - c. The Meaning of Borders
2. "The Common Space"
 - a. The Common Space as a Concept
 - b. Education and Research Cooperation
 - c. Economic Cooperation and Energy Issue
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 - b. The Effects of Russian Internal Changes on European Foreign Policy
 - c. Areas of Common Interests and Concerns

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THE CHALLENGES OF RUSSIA BETWEEN DEMOCRACY AND SOVEREIGN DEMOCRACY

December 4th, 2006



On December 4th, 2006, took place at the Hotel della Città in Forlì the international round-table "The challenges of Russia between democracy and sovereign democracy".

The meeting aimed at discussing the democratic process in Russia, and it focused primarily on the aggressive energy policy promoted by the Kremlin and on its consequences for the Russian political scenario. Many prominent scholars and experts, both Italian and coming from many other different countries, faced each other and discussed such a sensitive topic as the nowadays definition and understanding of the term "Democracy": Paolo Zurla (President, Forlì Campus, University of Bologna), Gilberto Capano (Dean of the School of Political Sciences, Forlì Campus), Gianfranco Marzocchi (Councillor, Culture and University, Municipality of Forlì), Angelo Satanassi (President, Garzanti Foundation, Forlì), Maria Zambani (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus), Stefano Bianchini (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus), Mikhail Odesskiy (Head of the Department, Russian State University for Humanities), Viktor Kuvaldin (Gorbachev Foundation), Sergey Trube (Director, Russian Public Policy Center), Alexander Muzikantskiy (President, Russian Public Policy Center), Paolo Calzini (Johns Hopkins University, Bologna Center), Jean Blondel (European University, Institute Robert Schuman Center), Stefano Garzonio (President, AIS, University of Pisa), Ilya Roytman (Executive Secretary,

UDC), Sergey Markov (Director, Institute for Political Research, member of the Russian Public Chamber), Sergey Begishev (IMA PRESS), Alberto Chilosi (University of Pisa), Albert Bininashvili (Visiting Professor, Columbia University, New York), Lilia Zakirova (MGIMO), Ekaterina Terentyeva (Lomonosov MSU).

Among the other participants: Carlo Bellinzona (CeMISS, Rome), Francesco Benvenuti (University of Bologna, Ravenna campus), Francesco Caccamo ("G. D'Annunzio" University, Chieti and Pescara), Arturas Gailiunas (Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania), Marcello Garzaniti (Governor, AIS, University of Florence), Dimitri Gavrikov (Moscow State University), Giuliana Laschi (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus), Katlijn Malfliet (Institute for European and International Policy KU Leuven), Fernando Orlandi (Centro Studi sulla Storia dell'Europa Orientale, Levico Terme), Lucio Picci (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus), Dimitar Popov (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus), Francesco Privitera (University of Bologna, Forlì campus), Anna Quici (Coimbra Group), Renato Risaliti (University of Florence), Dagmar Roberts (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus), Nicola Todaro Marescotti (Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs).

The event (itself part of a series of initiatives promoted by the Istituto per l'Europa centro-orientale e balcanica, which started in November 2005 and will continue with the next happening in May 2007, recalled above) has been promoted by the University of Bologna, School of Political Sciences "Roberto Ruffilli" -Forlì Campus, jointly with the Istituto per l'Europa centro-orientale e balcanica and the United Democratic Center of Moscow, and in cooperation with the Associazione Italiana Slavisti and the Punto Europa Forlì.

We take advantage here of the opportunity to thank again the Garzanti Foundation and Romagna Acque for the generous financial help give.

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AAASS CONFERENCE

Washington, 16th- 19th November 2006

Following a long-established tradition, the Istituto per l'Europa centro-orientale e balcanica represented the University of Bologna on the occasion of the 38th National Convention organised by the AAASS (American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies) in Washington, between 16th and 19th November 2006. On that occasion, the Istituto per l'Europa centro-orientale e balcanica presented a panel with the title 'Reforming the Balkan Peace Treaties. Challenging the Interdependency of the Dayton, Ohrid, Kumanovo and Belgrade Agreements'. The year 2006 has been crucial for the future of the Balkans: the status of Kosovo returned to centre stage and Montenegro obtained its independence from Serbia by referendum. Moreover, there were repeated requests for amendments to the Dayton Constitution in Bosnia and Herzegovina. For all those reasons, the Istituto per l'Europa centro-orientale e balcanica decided to hold a Round Table, providing the best opportunity to discuss the situation from a variety of perspectives. And the result, in terms of vivid debate and appreciation, was extraordinary indeed! Chaired by Julie Mostov (University of Drexel), the panel saw the participation of Stefano Bianchini (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus), Robert Craig Nation (US Army War College), and Francesco Privitera (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus).

A book exhibition was also organised, under Sara Barbieri's supervision, to promote the books edited by the members of the "Europe and the Balkans" International Network published by Longo Editore in Ravenna.

The next event organized by the AAASS will be taking place in New Orleans, Louisiana, from November 15th to November 18th 2007. On that occasion the Istituto per l'Europa Centro-Orientale e Balcanica will hold a roundtable with the title "*Nation State and diversity management in the enlarged Europe. Boundaries changes in minority and gender issues*", chaired by Luisa Chiodi (Osservatorio Balcani), and with the participation of Stefano Bianchini (University of Bologna, Forlì campus), Julie Mostov (Drexel University), Joseph Marko (University of Graz), Francesco Privitera (University of Bologna, Forlì Campus) and Mitja Žagar (Institute for Ethnic Studies, Ljubljana).



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The book is in Italian.



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This book stems from the experience gained by a group of about one hundred judges, university professors and jurists from Croatia, Albania, Macedonia, Serbia and Montenegro, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Spain and Italy within the framework of the implementation of two projects called "Towards a Model of European Judge" and "A European Space of Justice".

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NEW!! NEW!!

Post-communism has been the dominant political factor of the 1990s of the XX century in Eastern Europe as a part of the post-cold order redefinition of Europe.

This book, as part of a series of four, is the attempt by a group of scholars belonging to different disciplines to analyse from an inner point of view the most crucial achievements which have been got by a representative of ECE and SEE countries during the 1990s, marking their own transition processes and making then possible positive outcomes.

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More than ten years after the conclusion of the Dayton Accords, the treaty regimes pieced together by the international community to sustain a fragile peace in the Balkans after the disintegration of former Yugoslavia have begun to fray, but no comprehensive program for a new regional order has been crafted to replace them.

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Dr. Erhard Busek, Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South-East Europe:

"The Balkans have been and are the challenge for Europe at the end of the 20th century and now. In reality the knowledge about this improving region is limited so this book is an important contribution by very experienced authors. It is worthwhile to look into it"

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The new version of our guide is about to be published. This year's issue will include essays by the following authors:

S. P. Ramet (Orthodox churches in Eastern Europe), F. Salomoni (Laicality in Turkey), Z. Lapov (Romas in the former Yugoslavia), E. Cocco (Extreme right-wing movements in the Balkan region), B. Venturi (Young people and the conflict in Transnistria), V. Rigamonti (Orange Ukraine), M. Montanari (Politics and society in Belarus), M. Werner (Polish cinema after 1989), G. Denissova (Literature and society in Putin's Russia).

The usual contributes about each country in Central, Southern and Balkan Europe have been written by: Sara Barbieri, Cristina Bucur, Alberto Busi, Emilio Cocco, Francesca D'Antuono, Anto-

nio Dal Borgo, Marcella Del Vecchio, Hornácková Klapicová, Andrei Klapica, Branka Kostovska, Salvatore Marchese, Marco Montanari, Nicola Nobili, Lucia Pantella, Iulia Postica, Francesca Rivelli, Mario Rossi, Mirella Spizla, Boris Vítlačil.

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