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## **EDUCATION**

09/98 – 06/04 **Central European University**, Budapest, Hungary

Department of History, **Ph.D.** 'Summa cum Laude' in Comparative History, supervisor: László Kontler, Dissertation: *Discourses of Nationhood in Early Modern Europe* (2004)

08/97—06/98 **Central European University**, Budapest, Hungary

Nationalism Studies Program, **MA** with distinction; supervisor: Mária M. Kovács. Thesis: *Patriotism, Elect Nation, and Reason of State: Patterns of Community and the 'Political Languages of Hungarian Nationhood' in the Early Modern Period* (1998)

1992-97 **Invisible College,** Budapest, Hungary

Concentration: political philosophy, methodologies of social science research and the intellectual history of nationalism. Tutors: Mária Ludassy, György Bence, Ferenc Huoranszki, László Bertalan.

09/91-06/97 **Eötvös Loránd University**, Budapest, Hungary

Department of Philosophy and History, **MA** with distinction in Philosophy, in 1997. Thesis: Reason Without State: Modalities of Political Community and the Adaptation of Ragion di Stato in the Works of Miklós Zrínyi

09/87-06/91 **Ferenc Toldy Secondary Grammar School**, Budapest; concentration: History and Literature

### ACTIVITIES RELATED TO CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND RESEARCH

Together with Diana Mishkova, convener of the project **European Regions and Boundaries. A Conceptual History**, hosted by the Centre for Advanced Study Sofia.

10/11 Co-organized the international workshop, **Empires - Comparing the Semantics Behind Concept, Metaphor and Ideology**, at CEU Budapest, cooperation with Concepta, the University of Freiburg and Oslo University.

- O4/11 Co-organized the international workshop, **Conceptual History of European Regions** in Sofia at the Center for Advanced Study Sofia, co-funded by the Volkswagen Stiftung.
- 07/10 Co-organized the international workshop, **Interwar Romania in Regional and European Contexts** in Bucharest at the New Europe College, co-funded by the European Research Council Negotiating Modernity project.
- Co-organized the conference for graduate students, "Studying Overlapping Territories/Canons/Identities: Comparative Perspectives on East Central Europe," hosted by the History Department and Pasts, Inc. of the Central European University, Budapest; supported by the CEU-HESP Comparative History Project
- 10/09 Co-organized the workshop, Liberalism, Romanticism, Nationalism Towards a Comparative Vision of Nineteenth-Century European Cultural-Political Thought, in Amsterdam, as part of the cooperation of the Study Platform on Interlocking Nationalisms (Huizinga Institute) and the "Negotiating Modernity" project.
- Associate Fellow of the project Regimes of Historicity and Discourses of Modernity and Identity, 1900-1945, in East-Central, Southeast and Northern Europe, hosted by the Centre for Advanced Study Sofia, supported by the Thyssen Foundation
- Recipient of the European Research Council Starting Independent Researcher Grant as Principal Investigator of the project, "Negotiating Modernity": History of Modern Political Thought in East-Central Europe," over the period of five years, hosted by the Centre for Advanced Study Sofia in cooperation with CEU
- O9/08 Co-organized the international workshop, **Shared/Entangled Histories:**Comparative Perspectives on Hungary and Romania, in Cluj, Romania, supported by the Centre for Baltic and East European Studies, Södertörn University College and the CEU-HESP Comparative History Project
- Participant in **Team 3**: "National Histories and its Interrelation with Regional, European and World Histories" of the project "**Representations of the Past: The Writing of National Histories in Europe**" supported by the European Science Foundation
- Coordinator (with P. Apor and C. Iordachi) of the "CEU-HESP Comparative History Project"; in November 2006 co-organizes the conference "Comparative History in/on Europe. The State of the Art" (at the Central European University Budapest) and in April 2008 the second conference, "New Approaches to Comparative History in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe" (hosted by the Centre for Advanced Study Sofia).
- Organized the international workshop, 'Whose Love of Which Country? Towards an Intellectual History of Patriotic Discourses in the Early-Modern Period' of the project 'The Intellectual History of Patriotism and the Legacy of Composite

States in East-Central Europe,' supported by the Research Board of CEU and Pasts, Inc.

- 10/05 Organized the workshop **'Shared Pasts, Common Spaces, Parallel Transformations**' of the Project 'Future Continuous Building Confidence in the Hungarian-Romanian Relations through Multicultural Education and Comparative Research' supported by the East-East Program of the Soros Foundation and by the History Department of CEU.
- 10/05 Organized the first research workshop of the project "The Intellectual History of Patriotism and the Legacy of Composite States in East-Central Europe."
- 05/05 Co-organized the conference, "Hungarian Political and Historiographic Discourses in a Central European Context," at the Central European University, Budapest.
- 04/05-06/05 **Junior Fellow** of the project, "Multiple Antiquities and Multiple Modernities in Nineteenth-Century Europe" at Collegium Budapest.
- 2005-2007 Research Coordinator of the project, "The Intellectual History of Patriotism and the Legacy of Composite States in East-Central Europe," supported by the CEU Research Board.
- 2003-2005 Research associate and co-author of the international research project, "We, the **People,**" bringing together East-Central and Northern-European researchers, launched by the Centre for Advanced Study, Sofia.
- 2003-2004 Participating in the **Czech-Hungarian research project** "History and Identity in Central Europe in a Comparative and Inter-Disciplinary Perspective" supported by the International Visegrád Fund.
- 02/03- Research associate of the historical research institute **Pasts**, **Inc.**, **Center for Historical Studies** founded at the Central European University, from 2006 acting as **co-director**.
- 11/02- Member of the Academic Council of the **Erasmus College**, founded with the intention of helping undergraduate students of Hungarian universities to develop scientific research projects.
- 10/02 Co-organized the **ZVGE-CEU joint workshop** "Framing the Historian: National, Institutional and Social Grand Narratives in East and West", Berlin, Germany.
- 2002-04 Contributor to the **CEU research project**, directed by Sorin Antohi, entitled "Historical Studies in Central, Eastern, and Southeastern Europe. The State of the Art," covering Hungary. Also co-editing the collective volume, published in 2007.
- Participating in the "Religion, Law and Philosophy: European Political Thought 1450-1700," project (co-writing, with László Kontler, the Hungarian chapter of the collective volume published by Yale University Press in 2008).

Participating in four research workshops (Hull: March 2002, Dordrecht: October 2002, Budapest: October 2003, Florence: September 2004).

- 10/01 Co-organized the **CEU-ZVGE joint workshop** "Changing Historical Studies in Central and Eastern Europe: How Does Methodological Transfer Generate New Research?" Budapest, Hungary.
- 07/01 Co-organized the **workshop** "Texts/Images of History: Representations and Uses of the Past in Central and Southeast Europe," Istanbul, Turkey.
- Founding member of the **international research group** "Regional Identity Discourses in Central and Southeast Europe (1775-1945)," supported by the Prince Bernhard Foundation (The Netherlands), and the Centre for Advanced Study (Sofia, Bulgaria). Its result, a **four-volume collection** of East-European identity-discourses with extensive commentaries, is published by the Central European University Press in 2006-2009.
- 10/00 Founding member of the **Group for Intercultural Studies** (Budapest-Bucharest), which seeks to enhance communication between young scholars from Romania and Hungary.
- O5/00 Co-organized the **workshop** "Perceptions of 'Modernities:' Emergence of Political Modernity, Social Transformation and Ideologies of Modernism in Central and Southeast Europe in the XIX-XX Centuries," Budapest.
- 01/00- Member of the **István Bibó Intellectual History Workshop,** co-organizing the seminars and debates and working (from September 2001) in the editorial committee of the book-series of the Workshop.
- 12/99 Co-organized a **conference** on "Nation-building, Regionalism and Democracy: Comparative Perspectives on Issues of Nationalism in Romania and Hungary," Budapest.
- 10/98-02/99 Prepared and coordinated a **Graduate Seminar** on "Methodological Problems of Studying Nationalism" at CEU.
- Coordinated a **field trip** of the Nationalism Studies Department, CEU to Cluj, Romania, related to the debate around a projected Hungarian University in Romania.
- Organized the "VerzióK" University **Film Symposium**, Hungarian Film Institute. Autumn 1993: on Hungarian experimental cinema in the 1960-1970s; Spring 1994: on the political mythologies of Cold War Soviet and American cinema; Autumn 1994: on the self-representation of counter-cultural movements in the films of the sixties, Spring 1995: on the cinematographic fusion of document and fiction in the 1970s.

Acting as Board member of Concepta. International Research School in Conceptual History and Political Thought and peer-reviewer for the journals Totalitarian Movements and Political Religions; Journal of Political Ideologies; European Review of History; Angelaki: journal of the

theoretical humanities; Contributions to the History of Concepts; as well as for the European Research Council; the European Science Foundation, the Austrian Science Fund (FWF), the Council for the Humanities of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research, The American Academy in Berlin, and OTKA (Hungarian Scientific Research Fund).

#### **RESEARCH/STUDIES ABROAD**

- 10/03-06/04 **Prague, Czech Republic,** Center for the History of Science, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic: International Visegrád Fund Research Grant, guest scholar in the framework of the project "History and Identity in Central Europe in a Comparative and Inter-Disciplinary Perspective," studying debates about Czech national identity in the first half of the twentieth century.
- 03/03-06/03 **Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin,** Andrew W. Mellon-Fellowship, working on the book-manuscript, "History and Community: The Conceptualization of Collective Identity and the Debates on National Character in Interwar Eastern-Europe."
- 07/02–12/02 **Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna,** Junior Visiting Fellow, with a project on the East-Central European reception of Western political discourses.
- 12/01–02/02 **Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas, Leipzig,** guest scholar of the Research Project: "Visuelle und historische Kulturen Ostmitteleuropas im Prozess staatlicher und gesellschaftlicher Modernisierung seit 1918."
- 10/01–06/02 **Centre for Advanced Study, Sofia**: Associate Fellow of the NEXUS Project: research on the Central and Southeast-European intellectual history of the interwar period.
- 10/99–06/00 **Cambridge University**, **UK**: research on national identity, comparative aspects of British and Habsburg state-building, supervisor Dr. Jonathan Scott.
- 05/99-06/99 **Cluj and Bucharest, Romania**: Central European University Research Grant studying the discourses of Romanian national identity in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century.

- 04/99-05/99 **Prague, Czech Republic**: Central European University Research Grant, research: Central European comparative context of the Czech national awakening.
- 04/98 **British Library, London, UK**: Central European University Research Grant, research on the intellectual history of national identity in early modern England.
- 05/97-06/97 **Bucharest, Romania**: guest of the Hungarian Cultural Institute, studying the Romanian intellectual history of the 1920-30s (in consultation with Sorin Antohi).
- 03/97-04/97 Vienna, Austria: Invisible College, Budapest/Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen research grant to study the 'reason of state'-literature in Viennese libraries.
- 10/96-12/96 **University of Hull, UK**: visiting student, supervisor: Dr. Glenn Burgess, studied English intellectual history.
- 09/95-03/96 **Erasmus University, Rotterdam, The Netherlands**: visiting student, research on the history of political ideas, in particular English and Dutch reason of state theories, with Professor Hans Blom.

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Central European University, Department of History, teaching M.A. courses ("Comparing National Awakenings in Central and Southeast-Europe"; "Political Modernities and Nation-Building in Central and Southeast Europe"; "The Political Languages of Anti-Modernism in Central and Southeast Europe, 1900-1945"; "Interdisciplinary Methodology of Historical Research: An Introduction" /with Balázs Nagy/) Approaches to Counter-Cultural Movements in East-Central Europe, 1960-1990 /with Gábor Klaniczay/; Grand Debates on Issues of the History of Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe /with Gábor Klaniczay/; and Ph.D. seminars ("In Search of a New Master-Narrative: Historical Studies in Post-Communist Europe"; "Writing Intellectual History in East-Central Europe, 1945-2000").
- 10/03-12/03 **Teaching assistant** of the course, "Producing relevant knowledge: the Enlightenment Paradigm", directed by László Kontler, at the **Central European University**, Department of History.
- 2003-2007 **Tutor** in the history of political ideas at **Erasmus College**, Budapest.
- O9/00 Teaching a course on modern nationalist ideologies in Central and Southeast Europe at the **Balkans Summer University**, Plovdiv.

#### **MAJOR PUBLICATIONS**

#### A, Books:

- 1. *A politika nyelvei. Eszmetörténeti tanulmányok* (The Languages of Politics. Studies in Intellectual History) (Budapest: Argumentum, 2007).
- 2. *A nép lelke. Nemzetkarakterológiai viták Kelet-Európában* (The spirit of the people. Debates on national characterology in Eastern Europe) (Budapest: Argumentum, 2011).
- 3. The Politics of "National Character": A Study in Interwar East European Thought (Oxford: Routledge, 2012).

#### B, Edited books:

- 1. Balázs Trencsényi, Dragoş Petrescu, Cristina Petrescu, Constantin Iordachi, and Zoltán Kántor eds., *Nation-Building and Contested Identities: Romanian and Hungarian Case Studies* (Budapest/Iași: Regio Books/Polirom, 2001).
- 2. András Czeglédi, Zsolt Novák, Dénes Schreiner, Balázs Trencsényi, eds., *Ész, természet, történelem* (Reason, Nature and History) (Budapest: Áron, 2002).
- 3. Balázs Trencsényi and Michal Kopeček, eds., *Discourses of Collective Identity in Central and Southeast Europe (1775-1945): Texts and Commentaries*, Volume I: Late Enlightenment. Emergence of the Modern 'National Idea' (Budapest: CEU Press, 2006).
- 4. Balázs Trencsényi and Michal Kopeček, eds., *Discourses of Collective Identity in Central and Southeast Europe (1775-1945): Texts and Commentaries*, Volume II: National Romanticism. The Formation of National Movements (Budapest: CEU Press, 2007).
- 5. Sorin Antohi, Balázs Trencsényi and Péter Apor eds., *Narratives Unbound: Historical studies in Post-Communist Eastern Europe* (Budapest: CEU Press, 2007).
- 6. Balázs Trencsényi and Márton Zászkaliczky, eds., Whose Love of Which Country? Composite States, National Histories and Patriotic Discourses in Early Modern East Central Europe (Leiden: Brill, 2010).

#### C, Edited thematic issues and blocs

- 1. The Challenges of Romanian Historiography (A román történetírás kihívásai) thematic bloc (edited and introduced by Constantin Iordachi and Balázs Trencsényi) in Replika 41-42., November 2000, pp. 165-265.
- 2. The remembrance of forgetting (A felejtés emlékezete), introductory article and edited bloc on the Romanian debates about the contested political heritage of Emil Cioran and Mircea Eliade, in: 2000, (March 2003), pp. 51-75.

- 3. Liberal nationalism ideological tradition and theoretical relevance (Nemzeti liberalizmus ideológiai hagyomány és elméleti érvényesség), introductory article and edited bloc in: *Magyar Tudomány* (January 2008), pp. 2-52.
- 4. Reframing the European Pasts: National Discourses and Regional Comparisons. Thematic issue of East Central Europe, 2009/1-2, edited by Dietmar Müller, Zsuzsanna Török and Balázs Trencsényi.
- 5. Mapping the Merry Ghetto. Musical Counter-Cultures in Eastern Europe, 1960-1990 Thematic issue of East Central Europe, 2011/1-2, ed. by Gábor Klaniczay and Balázs Trencsényi.

#### D, Articles and book chapters:

- 1. "In the Shade of Tomorrow: The Uchrony of István Bibó," ("A tegnap árnyékában /Bibó István és az Uchronia/"), *Nappali Ház*, 1993/2. pp. 35-45.
- 2. "Liberal Paradigms and the Political Philosophy of Spinoza" ("Liberális paradigmák és Spinoza politikai filozófiája",) *Spinoza-tanulmányok*, ed. by Gábor Boros (Budapest: Áron Kiadó, 1994), pp. 87-134.
- 3. "The Political Languages of Hungarian Nationhood in the Early Modern Period," in: *The Garden and the Workshop: Disseminating Cultural History in East-Central Europe. In Memoriam Péter Hanák*, ed. by Marius Turda (Budapest: Central European University/Europa Institut, 1998), pp. 25-48.
- 4. "Reason Without State: Modalities of Political Community and the Adaptation of Ragion di Stato in the Works of Miklós Zrínyi," in: *Prudenza Civile, Bene Comune, Guerra Giusta. Percorsi della Ragion di Stato tra Seicento e Settecento*, ed. by Gianfranco Borrelli, (Naples: Archivio della Ragion di Stato Adarte, 1999), pp. 49-76.
- 5. "The Art of Peace-Making, Nation-States and the Federalist Conceptions in Eastern-Europe (Bibó and Hodža)" ("A békecsinálás művészete, a nemzetállamiság, és a keleteurópai föderációs elképzelések. Bibó és Hodža") in: *A szabadság kis körei. Tanulmányok Bibó István életművéről*, ed. by Zoltán Iván Dénes (Budapest: Osiris, 1999) pp. 102-122.
- 6. "Spinoza and the Early Modern Political Languages" ("Spinoza és a kora újkori politikai nyelvek") in: Gábor Boros ed. *Individuum, közösség és jog Spinoza filozófiájában* (Budapest: Áron, 2000), pp. 75-122.
- 7. "The Chances of Renewal: Ten Years of Romanian Historiography, 1989-1999" (A megújulás esélyei: a román történetírás tíz éve, 1989-1999) (co-author with Constantin Iordachi), pp. 165-195. in: *Replika* 41-42., November 2000., pp. 165-265.
- 8. "Sándor Bene: Theatrum Politicum. Public sphere, public opinion, and literature in the early modern period," ("Bene Sándor: Theatrum Politicum. Nyilvánosság, közvélemény és irodalom a kora újkorban,") (Review Article) In: *BUKSZ*, 2000. Winter.

- 9. "Conceptualising Statehood and Nationhood: The Hungarian Reception of Reason of State, and the Political Language of National Identity in the Early Modern Period," In: *History of Concepts Newsletter*, Amsterdam, Nr. 4, Summer 2001, pp. 12-20.
- 10. "István Bibó and the Discourse of National Characterology" (Bibó István és az "alkatdiskurzus") in: Zoltán Iván Dénes ed., *Megtalálni a szabadság rendjét* (Budapest: Új Mandátum, 2001), pp. 175-207.
- 11. "The 'Münchausenian Moment': Modernity, Liberalism and Nationalism in the Thought of Ştefan Zeletin" in: Balázs Trencsényi, Constantin Iordachi, Zoltán Kántor, Cristina Petrescu, and Dragoş Petrescu, eds., *Nation-Building and Contested Identities: Romanian and Hungarian Case Studies* (Budapest/Iași: Regio Books/Polirom, 2001) pp. 61-81.
- 12. Reason Without State: Models of Political Community and the Adaptation of Ragion di Stato in the Works of Miklós Zrínyi (Államrezon állam nélkül: A politikai közösség modelljei és a *ragion di stato*-diskurzus adaptációja Zrínyi Miklós írásaiban) (revised Hungarian version), in: András Czeglédi et al., eds. *Ész, természet, történelem* (Budapest: Áron, 2002) pp. 8-49.
- 13. To Find the Voice of Angels, and the Devils Dwelling in the Details. A Review Article on János Gyurgyák's book, "The Jewish Question in Hungary," ("Megtalálni az angyalok hangját és a részletekben lakozó ördögöket,"), in: 2000, January 2002, pp. 8-15.; also appeared in English translation: *Regio. English Yearbook* (2002), pp. 103-115.
- 14. Zsuzsa Török and Balázs Trencsényi: "Workshop at the Central European University: Changing Historical Writing in Central Europe New Themes, New Methods" (Workshop a Közép-Európai Egyetemen: "Változó történetírás Közép-Európában új témák, új módszerek"), in: *Korall*, Nr. 7-8 (March 2002), pp. 208-216.
- 15. "Skeletons in the Closet: Lucian Boia on the Romanian Political Myths," (Csontvázak a szekrényben Lucian Boia a román politikai mítoszokról), in: *Buksz*, 2002 Summer, pp. 136-144. Republished in: *Társadalmi önismeret és nemzeti önazonosság Közép-Európában* (Budapest: Teleki László Alapítvány, 2002), pp. 111-128.
- 16. "The 'Third Way' and Anti-Semitism: On the Source Publication by Krisztián Ungváry," (A "harmadik út" és az antiszemitizmus Ungváry Krisztián forrásközléséhez), in: 2000, June 2002. pp. 35-40.
- 17. "Keywords and Political Languages: Reflections on the East-Central European Adaptation of Contextualist-Conceptualist Intellectual History" (Kulcsszavak és politikai nyelvek: gondolatok a kontextualista-konceptualista eszmetörténeti módszertan keletközép-európai adaptációjáról), in: András Szekeres, ed. *A történész szerszámosládája. A jelenkori történeti gondolkodás néhány aspektusa* (Budapest: L'Harmattan Atelier füzetek, 2002), pp. 117-159.
- 18. "Conceptualizations of Statehood and Nationhood: The Hungarian Reception of Reason of State and the Political Languages of National Identity in the Early Modern Period," in: *East-Central Europe*, vol 29. part 1-2., 2002 Autumn, pp. 1-26.

- 19. "Hungarian periodicals in the 1990s: strategies of recovery and directions of development" (Венгерская периодика 90х: стратегии выживания и направления развития), in: *Неприкосновенный запас*, 2002 No. 5 (25), pp. 45-52. Revised Romanian version: "Strategii de supravieţuire şi directii de dezvoltare: presa culturală şi sfera publică în Ungaria postcomunistă, " *Cuvântul*, XIX, Nr. 1-2 (373-374) (August-Septembrie 2008).
- 20. "The remembrance of forgetting" (A felejtés emlékezete), introductory article and edited block on the Romanian debates about the contested political heritage of Emil Cioran and Mircea Eliade, in: 2000, (March 2003), pp. 51-75.
- 21. "Peasants Into Bulgarians, or the Other Way Round: The Discourse of National Psychology" in: Shawn Gorman ed., *Locations of the Political* (Vienna: IWM Junior Visiting Fellows Conferences, Vol. 15., 2003).
- 22. "Roundtable discussion on forgiving in politics" (Kerekasztal-beszélgetés a megbocsátásról); with Zoltán Balázs, András Czeglédi, Péter Losonczi and Balázs Mezei, *Századvég* 27, (2003/3).
- 23. Constantin Iordachi and Balázs Trencsényi: "In Search of a Usable Past: The Question of National Identity in Romanian Studies, 1990-2000," (*East European Politics and Societies*) (2003/3), pp. 415-453.
- 24. "The Terror of History. A Sketch on the Intellectual History of the Debates on National Character in Inter-War Eastern-Europe" (A történelem rémülete. Eszmetörténeti vázlat a két világháború közötti kelet-európai nemzetkarakterológiai vitákról), in: Zoltán Iván Dénes, ed. A szabadság értelme az értelem szabadsága (Budapest: Argumentum, 2004), pp. 199-224.
- 25. "Closely watched traditions. Review article of Tamás Berkes: The Antinomies of Czech Intellectual History," (Szigorúan ellenőrzött hagyományok. Berkes Tamás: A cseh eszmetörténet antinómiái), *Élet és Irodalom*, 23 January 2004, p. 24.
- 26. "From the Ship of State to the Gardens of Epicurus. The dissolution of the civic humanist political language in the essays of William Temple." (Az állam hajójától Epikurosz kertjeiig). in: Tibor Frank, ed., *Angliától Nagy-Britanniáig* (Budapest: Gondolat Kiadó, 2004), pp. 109-132.
- 27. "Conceptual History and Political Languages: On the Central-European Adaptation of the Contextualist-Conceptualist Methodologies of Intellectual History" in: Petr Roubal and Václav Veber, eds., *Prague Perspectives. Studies in Central and Eastern Europe* (Prague: Klementinum, 2004).
- 28. Maciej Janowski, Constantin Iordachi, and Balázs Trencsényi: "Why Bother About Historical Regions? Debates Over Central Europe in Hungary, Poland and Romania," in: *East Central Europe*, 2005/1-2., pp. 5-58.
- 29. Balázs Trencsényi and Péter Apor: "Fine-tuning the Polyphonic Past: Hungarian Historical Writing in the 1990s," in: Sorin Antohi, Balázs Trencsényi and Péter Apor

- eds., Narratives Unbound: Historical studies in Post-Communist Eastern Europe (Budapest: CEU Press, 2007), pp. 1-100.
- 30. "The Nationalization of Philosophy: Constructing a Bulgarian 'National Ontology' in the Interwar Period," in: *Sofia Academic NEXUS. How to think about the Balkans: Culture, Region, Identity* (Sofia: CAS Working Paper Series, 2007); Bulgarian version: "Национализацията на философията: конструиране на българска 'национална онтология' в междувоенния период," in Alexander Kiossev, ed., *Подвижните Балкани* (София: Просвета, 2010).
- 31. "East of Eden. Debates on Central Europe in Modern Hungary," ("К востоку от рая. Дебаты о Центральной Европе в современной Венгрии,") *Неприкосновенный запас*, 2007, №6 (56), pp. 68-84.
- 32. László Kontler and Balázs Trencsényi: "Hungary," in: Glenn Burgess, Howell Lloyd, Simon Hodson, eds., *Religion, Law and Philosophy: European Political Thought, 1450-1700* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008), pp. 176-207.
- 33. "Do not modify the losing team! Review article on 'This became of your Hungarian country' by János Gyurgyák," (Vesztes csapaton ne változtass! Gyurgyák János: *Ezzé lett magyar hazátok*) *Magyar Narancs* XX/12 (20 March 2008), pp. 33-35; also published in a longer version in 2000 (April 2008), pp. 3-9.
- 34. "The transformation of English political discourses and the conception of elect nationhood in the 16-17<sup>th</sup> centuries" (Az angol politikai diskurzusok és a válaszottnemzet-koncepció alakváltozásai a 16-17. században) in: Gábor Borbély, György Gábor, György Geréby, Vera Szántó, eds., "Királlyá lett a te Istened" Fejezetek a politikai teológia történetéből (Budapest: Akadémiai, 2008), 79-117.
- 35. "The Tartars are coming!" The challenge of national anti-liberalism in East Central Europe ("Jön a tatár!" A nemzeti antiliberalizmusok kihívása Kelet-Közép-Európában) in Iván Zoltán Dénes ed., *Liberalizmus és nemzettudat. Dialógus Szabó Miklós gondolataival* (Budapest: Argumentum, 2008), pp. 241-273.
- 36. "Political Romanticism and National Characterology in Modern Romanian Intellectual History," in Sorin Mitu, ed., *Re-Searching the Nation: The Romanian File* (Cluj-Napoca: International Book Access, 2008), pp. 245-270.
- 37. "History and Character: Visions of National Peculiarity in the Romanian Political Discourse of the Nineteenth-Century," in: Diana Mishkova, ed., "We, The People" Politics of National Peculiarity in Southeast Europe (Budapest: CEU Press, 2009), pp. 139-178.
- 38. "Revolt against history. Conservative revolution and the definitions of national identity in interwar East Central Europe," ("Бунт против истории: консервативная революция и поиски национальной идентичности в межвоенной Восточной и Центральной Европе,") in *Антропология революции* (Moscow: Новое литературное обозрение, 2009), pp. 207-241.

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From 2005, **Associate Editor** of the periodical *East Central Europe*; and, from 2009, **Editor** of the book series *CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE*: Regional Perspectives in Global Context (Brill).

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- 18-19 September 1998: Budapest, Goethe Institute: "The international context and parallels of 1848/49. Political discourse and collective memory"; "The Rise and Fall of National Characterology in East-Central Europe"
- 18-20 November 1998: Budapest, "The humanisation of power. Conference on the oeuvre of István Bibó"; "Nation-statehood and federalism in the political thought of István Bibó"
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- 17-20 June 1999: Universidad de Malaga, International Political Science Association Research Committee on Political Philosophy "Beyond Nationalism? Sovereignty, Governance and Compliance"; "Nation-state or Multiethnic Polity: The Actuality of the Debates on Federalism in East-Central Europe During the Second World War"
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- April 10–11, 2005: The Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study in the Social Sciences, Uppsala: "Nordic Identities and Modernities, 1800–1940" Anti-modernist Visions of History in Central and Southeast-Europe
- May 25–28, 2005: Gyula: "Yearly Conference of the Institute of Literary Studies of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences," Keynote lecture: "The Lessons of an International Project" (with László Kontler)
- June 23–26, 2005: Central European University, Budapest The Eighteenth-Century Scottish Studies Society and The Hungarian Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Joint Conference: "Empire, Philosophy and Religion: Scotland and Central-Eastern Europe in the Eighteenth Century," Discourses of Nationhood in Scotland and Hungary in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries
- June 27-30, 2005: Collegium Budapest, "Multiple Antiquities Multiple Modernities: Antiquities and Their Entangled Histories in Nineteenth-Century Europe," National Characterologies and the Nationalization of Antiquity in the Nineteenth Century: A Romanian Bulgarian Hungarian Comparison
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- November 11 12, 2005: Collegium Budapest, Final Conference of the "We the people" Project: National Characterology in the Romanian Political Discourses of the Nineteenth Century
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- February 24, 2006: Istanbul, Istanbul Technical University/Centre for Nordic Studies, Helsinki University and The History of Social and Political Concepts Group, "Concepts in the margins": Transformations of the concept of nation in Central and Southeast-Europe, 1800-1945
- May 24-25, 2006: Budapest, Ethnic-National Minority Research Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, "Ethnic stereotypes and social distances": Theoretical and methodological challenges of researching historical myths
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- 27-28 November 2008: Budapest, "National and European Identities: Current Events and Future Trends" organized by the CEU Center for EU Enlargement Studies: *Dilemmas of the Hungarian-Romanian Historical Reconciliation*
- 6 February 2009: Oxford University, The Centre For East European Language-Based Area Studies, "New Approaches to Central European Historiography": Regionalist Historiographies in Central and Southeastern Europe' (with Diana Mishkova)
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- 23-26 September 2009: Timişoara, "Fundamental Concepts in the Romanian Social-Political Languages" Reinhart Koselleck Doctoral School of Conceptual History of the West University of Timişoara: The Uses of the Concept of "National Character": a Romanian-Hungarian Comparison
- 14 January 2010: Central European University, "Democracy and the shadows of totalitarianism and populism" Workshop organized by the Center for the Study of Imperfections in Democracies: *Populist political discourses in interwar Eastern Europe*
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- 15-16 April 2011: Princeton, Princeton University Center for Human Values, "The History of Political Thought: Its State and Its Stakes" Workshop: *Beyond Concepts and Discourses?*
- 29 September 2011: Budapest, "The humanization of power. The actuality of the oeuvre of István Bibó," The regional context of István Bibó's works: East Central European Agrarian Populism in the Interwar Period
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- 22-23 November 2011: Budapest, Gyula Illyés Archive, Hungarian Academy of Sciences Institute of Literary History, "Jewish literatures in Central Europe," The Hungarian, Romanian and Bulgarian civic radicalism as an intellectual discourse
- 24-25 November 2011: Paris Sorbonne, "Cult of Heroes in Central Europe (1880-1945) Transnational and Interdisciplinary Aspects," In Search of a Usable Hero: The "Historical Politics" of the Hungarian Left in the Interwar Period

In addition, I gave various public lectures and talks in Budapest ("Atelier" Social History Centre - on the methodologies of intellectual history, February 2001; Replika Kör - on Romanian historiography, December 2000, TEK College of social sciences of the Economic University - on the history of Romanian political ideas, April 2005) Liberal Academy of the István Bibó Intellectual Workshop on Anti-liberalism in East-Central Europe (March 2007); Pécs (József Attila Kör Annual Meeting - on Romanian intellectual history, May 1997); Cluj (Koinonia Foundation - on the comparative aspects of Romanian and Hungarian nationalist narratives, April 2001); Moscow (Thinking Figuratively: Visual Vocabularies, Historical Narratives, Conflicting Identities. Interdisciplinary Workshop - on the politics of East-European cinematography of the 1930s, March 2001); Leipzig, Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas, "Images of History and National Identity Discourses in Interwar Hungary and Romania" (February, 2002); Berlin, Humboldt University, "A Glimpse at the Europe of 'Decomposite' Monarchies: Discourses of Collective Identity in Early-Modern Hungary," (May 2003); Bucharest, University of Bucharest, "Hungarian historiography, 1945-2000" (November 2004); Budapest, Hungarian Academy of Sciences Institute of Philosophy,

"Discourses of English elect nationhood in the 16-17<sup>th</sup> centuries" (October 2007); "Mapping C-Europe" TEK College of social sciences of the Economic University, roundtable discussion on "Central Eastern Europe as Identity" (March 2008); roundtable discussion in Barcelona, Euroscience Open Forum: "ERC: Inducing Structural changes to the European research landscape?" (July 2008); Cornell University Department of History (April 2011), Princeton University Center for Human Values (November 2011).

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

10/11	Elected member of Academia Europaea
10/08	Associate Fellow of the project Regimes of Historicity and Discourses of Modernity and Identity, 1900-1945, in East-Central, Southeast and Northern Europe, hosted by the Centre for Advanced Study Sofia (6 months)
12/07	European Research Council Starting Independent Researcher Grant (60 months)
04/05	Junior Fellow at Collegium Budapest (for 3 months)
12/04-02/05;	09/05-11/05 "We the People" Junior Fellow at Collegium Budapest/CAS Sofia (6 months)
09/03-06/04	International Visegrád Fund Research Grant (for 10 months)
05/03	Central European University, Academic Excellence Award
03/03	Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, Andrew W. Mellon-Fellowship (for 3 months)
07/02	Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna, Junior Visiting Fellowship (for 6 months)
08/01	Centre for Advanced Study, Sofia, Associate Fellow of the NEXUS Project (for 10 months)
05/00	King's College, Cambridge, Grant for Research in the National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh (for 1 month)
10/99	British Council/Open Society Institute Scholarship Grant; University of Cambridge Visiting Fellowship (for 10 months)
07/98	Central European University and Open Society Institute Scholarship Award for post-graduate program at Central European University
07/97	Central European University and Open Society Institute Scholarship Award for graduate program at Central European University
09/95	Nuffic Scholarship, for research at the Erasmus University, Rotterdam (for 6 months)

06/92	First place in the national competition for admittance to the Invisible College, Budapest
05/91	First prize in the National Competition in History with a study on the dissolution of the Habsburg Monarchy as mirrored in the memoir-literature of the 1920s
04/89	First prize in the Mihály Horváth History Competition, Budapest with an essay on the Politics of King Sigismund towards the Turks

# **LANGUAGES**

Hungarian - native
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German, Slovak, Czech, Serbian/Croatian - reading knowledge