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CODE – CONFERENCE ON DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The CODE is the joint initiative of the International Centre for Democratic Transition (ICDT) and the Tom Lantos Institute (TLI). The main goal of the two institutes is to launch a new series of annual conferences dealing with the most important issues of democracy and human rights worldwide. The current conference is the ICDT's 6th Annual Conference, and the second conference under the CODE title, in partnership with the Tom Lantos Institute.

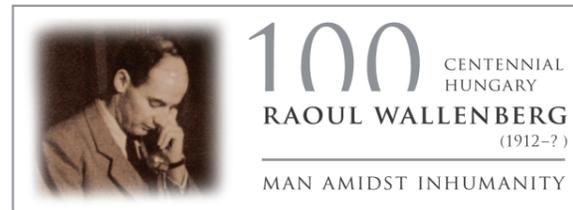


The first CODE was held in Budapest in June, 2011. It coincided with the ceremonial opening of the Tom Lantos Institute that was attended by US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. The conference was a great success with such high level speakers as the Foreign Ministers of Moldova and Georgia respectively, and the Secretary General of the Council of Europe. The agenda covered topics like the Arab Spring, political developments in the Eastern Partnership countries of the EU or the situation of Romani people in Europe.

This year's conference will partly be devoted to the centenary of the birth of Raoul Wallenberg who saved tens of thousands of Hungarian Jews during World War II. Besides lectures devoted to Raoul Wallenberg, there would be sessions covering current issues, like the human rights situation in the neighbourhood of Europe with a special focus on the Western Balkans and Eastern Europe, prejudices and conflict prevention and the different aspects of handling diversity in an increasingly diverse and multicultural world.

WALLENBERG YEAR IN HUNGARY

Raoul Wallenberg is a symbolic figure of rescuers in Hungary and in Europe at the time. "Man amidst inhumanity" in the horrors of the Holocaust. Hungary highly values and treasures the memory of the martyr Swedish diplomat. On the occasion of the 100th anniversary of his birth, the Government of Hungary has decided to declare the year 2012 as Wallenberg Year and to found a Commemorative Committee. Our purpose was to bow before his human greatness, and also to commemorate all those who saved lives jointly with him or similarly to him, amidst the inhumanity of oppressive regimes. This anniversary is a good occasion to draw lessons from the past, and to review, in their light, current human rights and minority issues, and to address the future and the young generations.



In the programmes of the Raoul Wallenberg Year we shall present Raoul Wallenberg, the diplomat and man, and his partner rescuers in Hungary, the conditions of the saving of lives, the dangers of exclusion and discrimination. With all this, we intend to call the attention to the importance of the protection of human rights and to the importance of having the courage of defending our values of several thousand years. The events of the past and their effects on the present and their lessons for today will be made tangible for all generations and all visitors in 2012 by exhibitions, conferences, concerts, competitions, meetings with witnesses and Hungarian Righteous Among the Nations.

Zsolt Németh

Wallenberg Commemorative Committee,
Chairman

CONFERENCE ON DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS 2012 REMEMBERING RAOUL WALLENBERG AGENDA

DATE: THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2012

VENUE: GERBEAUD CONFERENCE CENTRE (1051 BUDAPEST, VÖRÖSMARTY TÉR 7-8.)

9:00-10:30 OPENING CEREMONY

Chaired by **H.E. Prof. Dr. István Gyarmati**, President of the Centre for Democracy Public Foundation
Mr. Frank Belfrage, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Sweden
H.E. Dr. János Martonyi, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary
Mr. Carl Michael L. Wernstedt, member of the Wallenberg family
Mr. Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe

10:30-11:00 COFFEE BREAK

11:00-12:30 PANEL 1

P1A: Commemorating Raoul Wallenberg – Historian Panel (organized by the Holocaust Memorial Center)

Chaired by **Dr. Attila Pók**, Deputy Director, Institute of Historical Sciences, Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Wallenberg in Sweden: **H.E. Jan Lundvik**, former Ambassador of the Kingdom of Sweden to Hungary
Wallenberg in Hungary: **Prof. Dr. Szabolcs Szita**, Executive Director, Holocaust Memorial Center
Wallenberg in Russia: **Prof. Dr. Boris V. Sokolov**, Historian and Russian Literature Researcher, Russian Pen-Centre

P1B: The Future Role of Europe in Democracy Promotion

Chaired by **Ms. Lilla Makkay**, Head of the Department for International Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid, Hungarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ms. Maria Leissner, Secretary General of the Community of Democracies

Mr. Alexander Ritzmann, Senior Policy Advisor, European Foundation for Democracy

H.E. Prof. Dr. István Gyarmati, President of the Centre for Democracy Public Foundation

12:30-13:30 LUNCH

13:30-15:00 PANEL 2

P2A: Dimensions of Diversity – Beyond the Limits of Multiculturalism

Chaired by **Ms. Rita Izsák**, President and CEO, Tom Lantos Institute

Dr. Tove Malloy, Director, European Centre for Minority Issues

Mr. Henri Nickels, Programme Manager, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights

Mr. László György, Managing Director, Cisco Systems Hungary

P2B: Human Rights in the Neighbourhood of the European Union

Chaired by **H.E. László Várkonyi**, President of the International Centre for Democratic Transition

Mr. Zsolt Németh, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Hungary

H.E. Paul Koller, Special Envoy for Human Rights Issues, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland

H.E. Borys Tarasyuk, former Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

Mr. Douglas Wake, First Deputy Director, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)

15:00-15:30 COFFEE BREAK

15:30-17:00 PANEL 3

P3A: Prejudices and Conflict Prevention (organized by the Raoul Wallenberg Association)

Chaired by **Prof. Dr. Katalin Talyigás**, Managing Director, Social Innovation Foundation for the Development of the Eastern-European Area

Peace Center Concept: **Prof. Jon Van Til**, Professor Emeritus of Urban Studies and Community Planning at Rutgers University, USA

Continuous Dialogue and Consensual Democracy: **Dr. Ágnes Kövér**, Deputy Head of Department of Social Work, Faculty of Social Sciences, Eötvös Loránd Science University

Roma Integration – an Economic Approach: **Mr. János Takács**, Regional Chief Administrative Officer, Electrolux

Enforced Disappearance – the long way from World War II towards the UN Convention: **Mr. Rainer Huhle**, Member of the UN Committee on Enforced Disappearances

P3B: The Next 20 Years – The World How We Envisage

Chaired by **Mr. Ferenc Somogyi**, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary, member of the Executive Committee of the International Centre for Democratic Transition

H.E. Mihai Răzvan Ungureanu, former Prime Minister of Romania

Prof. John Shattuck, President and Rector, Central European University

Mr. Peter Matjašič, President of the European Youth Forum

17:00-17:15 CLOSING REMARKS

Closing Remarks by **H.E. Prof. Dr. István Gyarmati**, President of the Centre for Democracy Public Foundation

ORGANIZERS

TOM LANTOS INSTITUTE

The Tom Lantos Institute (TLI) is a non-profit, non-governmental organization that was established in Hungary in May of 2011 to honor and continue the legacy

of Tom Lantos, a great Hungarian-American and the only Holocaust survivor ever elected to the United States Congress. The tragic experiences of his youth made Congressman Lantos an eloquent and ardent champion for the fundamental rights of all people and human rights became the hallmark of his nearly three decades of service in Congress. He was the Co-Founder of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus and rose to become the Chairman of the



House Foreign Affairs Committee. Despite the difficult experiences of his youth, Tom Lantos never lost his deep love for his native Hungary.

He passed this devotion on to his children and grandchildren who continue his tradition of honoring their proud Magyar heritage. TLI's mission is to carry on with the legacy of Tom Lantos, namely to protect human rights and fundamental freedoms and to remain ever vigilant in guarding democracy and civilization.

The Tom Lantos Institute is a research institute and think-tank organization which carries out empowerment and action-like projects as well, with a particular focus on human rights, minority rights and democratic values in Central and Eastern Europe and the Western Balkans. Besides, it implements actual projects in a wider geographical area as needs arise in order to advance democratization processes and to strengthen the enjoyment of basic human rights and fundamental freedoms. TLI has a special focus on youth and minorities and maintains a close cooperation with them in the implementation of programs and projects.

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INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC TRANSITION

The International Centre for Democratic Transition (ICDT) is an international non-profit organization based in Budapest, Hungary which collects the experiences of recent democratic transitions and shares them with those who are determined to follow that same path. Within the general promotion of democracy, ICDT has focused its efforts on creating concrete and pragmatic goals. Through collecting and analysing data, organizing and hosting conferences, drafting and presenting reports, and, perhaps most importantly, by running field-projects in many transition countries,

ICDT has been able to compile the collective and individual experiences of peoples from all round Europe.



ICDT believes that this research, coupled with the expertise of some of the world's greatest minds and the practical experience gained through our own transitions, facilitates the use of a toolbox that is instrumental to societies preparing to set off on the difficult path towards a well functioning democracy.

Because the International Centre for Democratic Transition was founded in Central Europe, we are acutely aware of the complexity of democratic transition as a process. We ourselves have recently undergone this process and know full well the fragility of new democracies. We firmly believe that a transition can only be judged to be successful when the benefits of democracy are shared by the whole of society. ICDT's mission is to facilitate the smooth and peaceful process of democratic transition on the basis of participatory principles; the political, economic, legal, cultural, and civil societal aspects of transformation; and the socio-cultural context of regions and countries where the process takes place.

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HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL CENTER

The Holocaust Memorial Center in Budapest was opened to visitors in 2004. It researches the history of persecutions suffered by the Hungarian Jews during the recent history, the developments that had led to it, the effects and scope of the tragedy and its consequences, as well as the reasons for breaching the Hungarian historical traditions.



HOLOKAUSZT
EMLÉKKÖZPONT

The court of the Center is a memorial site dedicated to the victims of the Hungarian Holocaust. By displaying more than 170,000 names of victims at the Memorial Wall and 1441 perished communities on the Tower of Lost Communities, it cherishes the memory of our compatriots and communities that were senselessly destroyed. The efforts for tracing the names of victims are continuous and the created database can be consulted online. The verified new names from the database are put onto the Memorial Wall.

The Holocaust Memorial Center in is situated in an unusual building complex. The Páva utca Synagogue, with its stunning eclectic style and complemented with an adjoining new wing, is the venue for periodic exhibitions, scientific conferences, teachers' education programs, memorial days and cultural events. On its walls, memorial plaques are displayed in remembrance of the atrocities committed at Újvidék / Novi Sad and Kőrösmező.

Education is one of the essential tasks of the institution. Student groups visit the exhibition each day, but moving exhibitions and outsourced programs are also popular. Besides the exhibitions, a collection of 10,000 items, a specialized library of 6,700 volumes, a bookstore and the Braham Information Center, opened last year, are available to the 40,000 guests, among them tourists, researchers, students that visit the institution annually.

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RAOUL WALLENBERG ASSOCIATION, HUNGARY

WORKING FOR A TOLERANT SOCIETY FOR MORE THAN A DECADE

The Raoul Wallenberg Association, Hungary was established on 17 December 1988 in Budapest. The early phase of the operation of the Association dates back to the feverish period when the collapse of the Communist regime became imminent. The Association was set up to defend the rights of various minority groups. Its founders included college and university students, sociologists, economists and journalists. They considered it a key issue in evolving democracy in Hungary to assure the same rights to minorities of all sorts (national, ethnic, religious, political, cultural, and other) as those enjoyed by Hungarian society in general. It is not enough to replace dictatorship exercised by a small Communist party elite by dictatorship of the majority, on whatever platform they stand. In a real democracy the rights of all sorts of minorities must be safeguarded.



The Association foster relations with several Wallenberg memorial organizations in other countries, including the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam and the Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C. At present the Association has close to 400 members. Its head office is in Budapest and its groups operate independently in many parts of Hungary.

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OPENING CEREMONY

MR. FRANK BELFRAGE - STATE SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF SWEDEN

Frank Belfrage earned his BSc in Business Administration and Economics at Stockholm School of Economics.

In 1965 he joined the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden and served in several positions. From 1965 he was an attaché at the GATT section. Between 1966-1967 he served as Second Secretary at the Embassy in Vienna. From 1968-1971 he was a Second Secretary at the Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations in New York. In 1975-77 he was the Head of Department for International Development Cooperation Multilateral Section. In 1984-87 he served as an Ambassador to Saudi Arabia and later between 1994-1999 to the Permanent Representation of Sweden to the EU, from 2000 to 2006 to Paris. Currently he is State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Sweden.

H.E. DR. JÁNOS MARTONYI - MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF HUNGARY

His Excellency János Martonyi is the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary since 2010. He has been a law professor of the University of Szeged and the Eötvös Loránd University, head of department later. He started his career as a lawyer, and then joined the public service in the late 1970s. During his career he has served at many various positions from trade secretary at the Brussels Trade Representation of Hungary (1979-1984), Government Commissioner for Privatization (1989-1990), Administrative State Secretary in the Ministry for International Economic Relations (1990-1991), and Administrative State Secretary in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1991-1994) to Minister of Foreign Affairs in the first FIDESZ Government from 1998 until 2002.

MR. CARL MICHAEL L. WERNSTEDT - MEMBER OF THE WALLENBERG FAMILY

Michael Wernstedt is the great nephew of humanitarian Raoul Wallenberg and is a member of the board of the Raoul Wallenberg Academy for Young Leaders. He is also a member of the Swedish and Hungarian national Raoul Wallenberg 2012 committees. Mr Wernstedt has spoken about how his great uncle can inspire us not to be bystanders on numerous occasions inter alia in the United States Congress and in the British Parliament.

Mr Wernstedt is also the chairman of Young Investors, a social entrepreneurship network. Young Investors has close ties to the Hungerproject and supports the project through social entrepreneurship initiatives. One such initiative, Young Art, has now grown into a company which promotes young artists.

Professionally Mr Wernstedt is a lawyer at Baker & McKenzie Law Firm focusing on intellectual property. Prior to joining Baker & McKenzie in 2010, Mr Wernstedt served as a law clerk at the Administrative Court of Malmö. During his studies Mr Wernstedt worked at the Congressional Human Rights Caucus of the United States Congress. He also served as a junior diplomat at the Swedish Embassy in Budapest and as a personal assistant in the British House of Commons.

MR. THORBJØRN JAGLAND - SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

Thorbjørn Jagland is the Secretary General of the Council of Europe since 1 October 2009. Previously he was the President of the Storting (Norwegian Parliament) from 2005 to 2009. Mr. Jagland is the Chairman of the Norwegian Nobel Committee, which awards the Nobel Peace Prize every year. He has held two of the most influential governmental positions in Norway: Prime Minister (1996-97) and Minister of Foreign Affairs (2000-2001). After serving as Foreign Minister, he was Chairman of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and the

enlarged Foreign Affairs Committee in the Storting for four years (2001-2005). He also served as Chairman of the EEA Consultative Committee during this period (2000-2005). In addition, he has held a number of other parliamentary positions, such as head of the Storting's Delegation for Relations with the European Parliament for six years. He is currently the Chairman of the Board of Directors at the Oslo centre for Peace and Human Rights, and Member of the International Board of Governors at the Peres Center for Peace. Over the last 20 years, Mr Jagland has published widely on a range of issues, in particular on European and international affairs. He has published four books in Norway: My European Dream (1990), Letters(1995), Our Vulnerable World (2001) and Ten Theses on the EU and Norway (2003).

CHAired BY

H.E. PROF. DR. ISTVÁN GYARMATI - PRESIDENT OF THE CENTRE FOR DEMOCRACY PUBLIC FOUNDATION

After earning his Ph.D. in Military Science, Dr. Gyarmati worked at the Zrínyi Miklós National Defense University, the Association of Hungarian Journalists, and the Hungarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He served as the Alternate Permanent Representative of Hungary to the IAEA from 1981 to 1986. He participated in the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, he was the deputy head of the Hungarian delegation at the negotiations on conventional armed forces in Vienna in 1989, and he participated in the negotiations surrounding the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Hungary.

From 1992 to 1994 he led the Hungarian delegation to the expert meetings of the Helsinki Summit, the Hungarian expert delegation to the London Conference on Yugoslavia, and the Department for Security Policy and Cooperation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

After serving in various positions in Eastern Europe and the Balkans, he became Deputy Secretary of State for Integration at the Ministry of Defense in 1996 then Undersecretary for Policy in 1998. He held top leadership positions at the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapon, the EastWest Institute, and

the OSCE/ODIHR Election Monitoring Mission in Moldova. He was President and CEO of the ICDT between 2005 and 2011. Since 2011, he is the President and CEO of the Centre for Democracy Public Foundation.

P1A: COMMEMORATING RAOUL WALLENBERG – HISTORIAN PANEL

H.E. JAN LUNDBVIK - FORMER AMBASSADOR OF THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN TO HUNGARY

Jan Lundvik joined the Swedish Foreign Service in 1960 as a translator at the Embassy in Budapest, where he first met the Raoul Wallenberg case. In the 1970s he was involved in the relevant investigations conducted at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden and in the capacity of Deputy Head of the Mission in Moscow. His later positions included Deputy Permanent Representative of Sweden at the UN, Ambassador to South Africa, Consul General in Berlin, and Ambassador to Hungary between 1994-98. Since then he has been again actively involved in the efforts to establish the truth about Raoul Wallenberg's fate.

PROF. DR. SZABOLCS SZITA - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL CENTER

In 1990 Professor Szita was one of the founders of the Holocaust Memorial Centre as an assistant professor, later the scientific director of the institution. Since 2011 Professor Szita is the Managing Director of the Holocaust Memorial Centre.

From 1988 he was a private lecturer of the Teacher Training Institute of the Western Hungarian University, later from 2007 he was the professor of the institution. Since 2005 he holds the Doctorate of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. In the end of the 1990s he taught at the Eötvös Lóránd University at the Faculty of Humanities. In 1997 he developed an Austro-Hungarian teacher training postgraduate program, and had built versatile research connections with historians of the USA, Israel, Australia and European countries.

In 1967 he was awarded with the Csátka-award, in 1996 with the Scheiber-prize. In 1997 he won the Széchenyi Professor Scholarship. In 2004 the Austrian Government recognized his work with the Grand Cross of Science and Art, in 2005 the Hungarian Government with the Knight Cross from the Order of Merit, and in 2010 with the Radnóti Award.

His main research field covers the history of the II. World War, the ethnic history of Europe, racial theory, persecution of the Jews, XIX-XX. century Hungarian economic history, racism, and labor service in Hungary, Austria and Slovakia, evacuation and European minority policy after 1945.

PROF. DR. BORIS V. SOKOLOV - HISTORIAN AND RUSSIAN LITERATURE RESEARCHER, RUSSIAN PEN-CENTRE

Boris Vadimovich Sokolov is a historian and a Russian literature researcher, he has Candidate of Science degree in History and Habilitat Doctor of Science in Philology. In 1979 he graduated from the department of geography of the Moscow State University, specialising in economic geography. His works have been translated into Japanese, Polish, Latvian and Estonian. Boris Sokolov has also translated literary works from various languages. Subsequently, he served as a professor of social anthropology at the Russian State Social University. He has written numerous monographs, e.g. on Gogol, Sergei Esenin, and Mikhail Bulgakov. From the 1990s onwards, he has turned to subjects on Russian 20th century history, publishing studies on Lavrentiy Beria, Joseph Stalin, Vyacheslav Molotov and Leonid Brezhnev. He is one of the Russian historians alongside those who are critically reviewing the part of the Soviet Union in the Second World War.

CHAired BY

DR. ATTILA PÓK - DEPUTY DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE OF HISTORICAL SCIENCES, HUNGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

Dr. Pók graduated from the Eötvös Lóránd University on the faculty of History and English language. Since 1973 he is a research-fellow of the History Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, between 1988 and 1996 he held a

scientific secretary position and then from 1996 he was the deputy director of the Academy. Between 1997 and 1990 he was the editorial secretary of the Acta Historica. Since 1990 he is the Deputy Scientific Director of the Europe Institute Budapest. From 1997 he was the vice president of the History Committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. His research area covers the 19-20th century European politics, social and intellectual history.

P1B: THE FUTURE ROLE OF EUROPE IN DEMOCRACY PROMOTION

MS. MARIA LEISSNER - SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE COMMUNITY OF DEMOCRACIES

Maria Leissner is a Swedish politician and former party leader of the Swedish Liberal People's Party (1995–97). She has been adviser to the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) and the Ambassador of Sweden to Guatemala. Between 2000-2004 she was Sweden's ambassador to Guatemala. In 2004–2005 she was head of an international project on democracy in Iraq, organized by the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI). Maria Leissner has also been involved in multiple election observation missions around the world. Since 2006 she has chaired the Delegation for Roma issues in Sweden, and in January 2007 she was appointed Ambassador for Democracy in development cooperation. In April 2012 she was appointed Secretary-General of Community of Democracies.

MR. ALEXANDER RITZMANN - SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR, EUROPEAN FOUNDATION FOR DEMOCRACY

Alexander Ritzmann is a Senior Policy Advisor with the "European Foundation for Democracy" in Brussels and a Research Fellow with the "Brandenburg Institute for Society and Security" in Potsdam. He is also a non-resident Fellow at the "American Center for Contemporary German Studies" in Washington, DC. He specializes in democracy promotion, political islam and violent extremism.

Ritzmann testified before the U.S. Congress and gave briefings at the German Ministry of the Interior, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the U.S Department of State and the

Commission of the European Union. He is a former member of the Berlin State Parliament, Germany (2001-2006), serving as the vice chairman of the Free Democratic Party's parliamentary group and the ranking member on the homeland security, intelligence and data protection committees.

CHAired BY
MS. LILLA MAKKAY - HEAD OF DEPARTMENT, DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AND HUMANITARIAN AID, HUNGARIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Ms. Lilla Makkay graduated in 1984 from the Eötvös Lóránd University at the Faculty of Humanities in Historical, Russian and Swedish Studies. From 1986 to 1992 she was a senior research-fellow at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Later from 1992 to 1997 she joined the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and worked at the Department of Press, Media, Information and Analysis. Between 1997-2001 she was a press and cultural attache at Hungarian Embassy in Stockholm. From 2006 she continued her work at the Department of International Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid. From 2009 she was a seconded diplomat at Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs during the Swedish EU Presidency of the Council of the European Union. Since 2010 she is a Head of Department at Ministry for Foreign Affairs at the Department of International Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid.

P2A: DIMENSIONS OF DIVERSITY – BEYOND THE LIMITS OF MULTICULTURALISM

DR. TOVE MALLOY - DIRECTOR, EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR MINORITY ISSUES

Tove H. Malloy directs the European Centre for Minority Issues (ECMI) in Flensburg, Germany and is a member of the Advisory Committee to the European Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities at the Council of Europe.

She is a political theorist by background specializing in the political and legal aspects of national and ethnic minority rights in international law and international relations,

especially in the European context. Her areas of expertise cover the major international organizations, the European Union as well as individual countries.

In addition to being Director at ECMI, Dr. Malloy heads up ECMI's research cluster Citizenship and Ethics. Her current research interests include minority citizenship, agonistic democracy, ethno-ecologism, minority indicators, and inter-sectional discrimination. She currently teaches political theory in the European Studies programme at the University of Southern Denmark.

In addition to her academic career, Tove Malloy has served in the Danish Foreign Service in numerous positions and represented the Danish Government in international fora on post-conflict resolution for Rwanda and Bosnia, transition and development for Albania as well as on indigenous affairs issues. She holds a doctorate in Government from the University of Essex (UK) and an MA in Humanities and Social Sciences from the University of Southern Denmark.

MR. HENRI NICKELS - PROGRAMME MANAGER, EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

Henri Nickels holds a Masters Degree in European Communication Studies from the University of Amsterdam. In 2005 he earned his PhD in Social and Behavioural Science. He has participated in a research project funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Council, comparing British, French and Russian television news representations of Islam as security threat.

From 2008 to 2010 he has been working as a research fellow at the Institute for the Study of European Transformations on a project, funded by the Economic and Social Research Council. The Study compared the representations of "suspect" communities in multi-ethnic Britain and the impact of counterterrorism on Irish and Muslim communities.

Currently he is working at the EU Fundamental Rights Agency as a Programme Manager.

MR. LÁSZLÓ GYÖRGY - MANAGING DIRECTOR, CISCO SYSTEMS HUNGARY

László György holds a diploma in Civil Aviation Engineering and an international MBA from Weatherhead School of Management, Case Western Reserve University. Following his studies, Mr. György started his professional career at MALEV Hungarian Airlines, then joined the Hungarian Diplomatic Corps where he worked in economic, financial and technology areas. Between 1995 and 2006, he held sales management positions at leading ICT companies, including Ericsson, Oracle and IBM Hungary. Mr. György joined Cisco in July 2006 as a sales manager. Since September 2008 he was managing the company's activities in Hungary as an acting general manager. In March 2009, he was appointed to general manager of Cisco Hungary. László György is member of the Committee of Business Ethics at the Hungarian Association of IT Companies and vice president of the Hungarian Windsurfing Association.

CHAired BY
MS. RITA IZSÁK - PRESIDENT AND CEO, TOM LANTOS INSTITUTE

Rita Izsák holds a Masters in Law diploma from the Péter Pázmány Catholic University, Budapest. Inspired by her own experiences of prejudice and discrimination - her father's family was forcibly moved under post-war population transfers from Czechoslovakia (present day Slovakia) to Hungary due to their Hungarian ethnicity in 1947 and her mother is of Romani origin - she has been working on human and minority rights for a decade; she started her career in the Budapest-based European Roma Rights Centre and became later a Consultant with the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Open Society Institute, the Roma Education Fund, the Association for Women's Rights in Development. She also completed field work in Somaliland/Somalia where she worked with the Somaliland National Youth Organization (seconded by the London-based Progressio) and gave human rights lectures in Hargeisa Law University. She then went to Srebrenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina to join the Organisation of Security and Co-operation in Europe as a Human Rights Officer. Before coming to TLI, she was the Chief of Staff of the Social Inclusion

State Secretariat of the Hungarian Ministry of Justice and Public Administration.

She was recently appointed by the United Nations Human Rights Council as a UN Independent Expert on Minority Issues which position she assumes as of 1 August 2011.

P2B: HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF EU

MR. ZSOLT NÉMETH - MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HUNGARY

Mr. Zsolt Németh is the Hungarian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs since 2010. He has been the member of the Hungarian Parliament since 1990. During his career he was the Political State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1998-2002); served as the deputy head of the Hungarian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (2002-2010) and the Vice Chairman of the Political Commission of the Council of Europe from 2005 until 2008. He was the deputy leader of the FIDESZ parliamentary group (2002-2006) and the Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Parliament (2002-2006). From 2006 till 2010 he was the Chairman of the Committee of Foreign Affairs and Hungarians Abroad. Mr. Zsolt Németh has been the leader of the Foreign Affairs Cabinet of the FIDESZ party since 2002.

H.E. PAUL KOLLER - SPECIAL ENVOY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES, FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SWITZERLAND

After earning a degree in arts at Geneva University and physics at the University of Munich, Mr. Koller-Hauser joined the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

Over the years he has held diplomatic positions at the Swiss Embassies in Stockholm, Baghdad, Paris and Tashkent. In 1985 he was appointed Deputy Director of the Cultural Section of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs. In 1989 he became the President of the Council of Europe's Steering Committee on the Mass Media. Since 1999 he has served as ambassador in Libya, Slovenia and Greece. He speaks fluently German, French and English.

From October 2010 he is a Special Envoy for Human Rights at the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

H.E. BORYS TARASYUK - FORMER MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF UKRAINE

Borys Tarasyuk is a leading Ukrainian politician. He has twice served as the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine. Tarasyuk studied international relations and international law at National Taras Shevchenko University of Kyiv from where he graduated in 1975. Tarasyuk served as a deputy of foreign minister from 9 March 1992 till 16 September 1995. He was ambassador in Belgium, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Ukraine representative to the NATO. He became foreign minister for the first time from 1998 until 2000. After Ukraine's Orange Revolution, Tarasyuk became foreign minister again on 4 February 2005, and served in the Cabinets of Yulia Tymoshenko. Borys Tarasyuk is also the founder of the Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation (IEAC), a political action committee established to campaign for NATO- and European Union memberships in Ukraine.

MR. DOUGLAS WAKE - FIRST DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OSCE OFFICE FOR DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS (ODIHR)

Douglas Wake served as Deputy Head of the OSCE Mission to Serbia and Montenegro from September 2004 until June 2006. He frequently served as Acting Head of the Mission to Serbia and Montenegro, and as the first acting Head of the Mission to Serbia. A career diplomat, Douglas Wake has devoted most of his 25-year career to issues relating to European security, human rights, transition processes in Central Europe and Eurasia, and multilateral organizations. Immediately prior to his assignment to Belgrade, Mr. Wake was the OSCE Co-ordinator in the U.S. Department of State from 2003 to 2004. He was first involved in the Helsinki Process when he served from 1986 to 1988 as a U.S. delegate to the Vienna Follow-Up Meeting of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE). His Foreign Service assignments have included Moscow (2000-2003), Riga (1994-1997), Rangoon (1991-1993), Leningrad (1988-1990),

the U.S. Mission to the United Nations in New York (1983-1986), and Stockholm (1982-1983). In Washington he has served as Director for Economic Programs in the Office of the Coordinator of U.S. Assistance to the former Soviet Union (1998-2000) and as Regional Human Rights Officer for Europe (1986-1988). Mr. Wake holds a Bachelor's degree in history and political science from Columbia College and a Master of International Affairs degree, with a focus on Russian studies, from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs.

CHAired BY H.E. LÁSZLÓ VÁRKONYI - PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC TRANSITION

After earning a degree in economics at the Karl Marx University of Economics (currently known as Corvinus University of Budapest) Mr. Várkonyi launched into a diverse career at the Hungarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Over the years he has held ambassadorial positions in New Delhi and Kuala Lumpur, and headed various departments in the Ministry. In 2004 he was appointed Deputy State Secretary of Foreign Affairs, while from 2006 he was instituted as State Secretary. His responsibilities covered Hungary's bilateral political relations with non-European countries, international development cooperation as well as consular affairs. He joined the ICDT in 2010 and became its President and CEO in 2011. He speaks English, Russian, and French. Mr. Várkonyi is married and is a father of two.

P3A: PREJUDICES AND CONFLICT PREVENTION

PROF. JON VAN TIL, - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF URBAN STUDIES AND COMMUNITY PLANNING AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, USA

Jon Van Til is the past director of the Pennsylvania Law and Justice Institute (1972-1974), and served as Editor-in-Chief of Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly from 1978 through 1992. He was twice elected President of the Association of Voluntary Action Scholars, and is the founding Board Chair of the Center for Nonprofit Corporations (Trenton). Van

Til has also served as a Trustee of the George H. Gallup International Institute. His twelve books include Resolving Community Conflicts and Problems (2011), Breaching Derry's Walls (2008), Growing Civil Society (2008) and Living with Energy Shortfall (1982). A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Swarthmore College with High Honors in Political Science, Van Til received his doctorate in Sociology from the University of California, Berkeley. In 1991 he was recognized as "Creative Teacher of the Year" at Rutgers for developing his campus' program in Citizenship and Service Education. In 1994, he received the Career Award for Distinguished Research and Service from the Association for Research in Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action.

DR. ÁGNES KÖVÉR - DEPUTY HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK, FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, EÖTVÖS LORÁND SCIENCE UNIVERSITY

Dr. Ágnes Kövér is a professional lawyer and sociologist and a Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Social Sciences of the Eötvös Loránd Science University (ELTE). She had started her career with a research on the enforcement of human rights in the Hungarian Penal System, which was the first research on this topic in Hungary. She had developed a monitoring system of the rule of law in this area together with the Hungarian Helsinki Committee. Later on Ms. Kövér spent a year in New York at the NYU as a guest lecturer and Fulbright fellow. For ten years she was the leading researcher of the Hungarian Institute of Criminology, lecturer at the Social Policy Faculty of the Institute of Sociology of ELTE and a lecturer in the Law Faculty of ELTE. Ms. Kövér holds a Phd on Human Rights from the Central European University. As legal fellow of the Constitutional and Legal Policy Institute she participated in the criminal and justice reform processes of the Central and Eastern Europe region. As a colleague of the Open Society Foundation she is one of the main contributors in creating the law education system of the Hungarian and Central Eastern European region. She has been a guest lecturer in various foreign universities in the region and in the USA. Furthermore she is the author of two monographs, several book chapters and seventy essays.

MR. JÁNOS TAKÁCS - REGIONAL CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ELECTROLUX

János Takács is a Hungarian economist, businessman, currently the Regional Chief Executive Officer of Electrolux Eastern- Central - Europe. He is the president of the Swedish Chamber in Hungary, vice-president of the National Association of Employers and Industrialists and Chairman of the CSR Hungary Award Committee, and Co-chairman of the Investors' Council in Hungary. He started his career as an economist at the Romtrans International Forwarding Company. In 1990 he started working for Tungsram, later in 1993-1995 he was the Chief Financial Officer of IBM Hungary. Between 1995-1997 he was the Economic Chief Executive Officer of the Kőbánya Brewery Co., and in 1998 he has become the general manager of the Electrolux Lehel Ltd. Since 2003 he is the Regional Chief Executive Officer of Electrolux Eastern- Central - Europe, and Managing Director with Electrolux in Hungary.

MR. RAINER HUHLE - HISTORIAN, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NUREMBERG HUMAN RIGHTS CENTRE

Dr. Rainer Huhle was born in 1946, he gained his Phd in Political Science at the University of Erlangen in 1978. Since 1990 he is a researcher and developer of the Human Rights Education Program. Between 1997-1999 he was the founding expert team member of OHCHR Office in Columbia. From 1986 to 1988 he worked at the German Protestant Churches Development Service as a human rights expert in Peru, Uruguay, Argentina and Chile. He has done numerous freelance activities in the field of human rights expertise from program evaluation to research.

In 1989 he was the co-founder of the Nuremberg Human Rights Centre, and became the co-editor of the Centre's website. Since 2003 he is the member of the Board of the German Institute for Human Rights in Berlin, and since 2007 he serves as the vice-president of the organization. He is the member of the editorial board of „Zeitschrift für Menschenrechte – Journal of Human Rights”. Mr. Rainer Huhle is also a

Counselor to the Foundation „Remembrance, Responsibility and Future”, and a member of the United Nations Association of Germany.

Since 2011 he is the member of the UN Committee against Enforced Disappearances.

CHAired BY
PROF. DR. KATALIN TALYIGÁS - MANAGING DIRECTOR, SOCIAL INNOVATION FOUNDATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE EASTERN-EUROPEAN AREA

Ms. Katalin Talyigás has finished her studies at the Faculty of Humanities in the Eötvös Loránd Science University (ELTE) in 1966. From 1970 she worked as a sociologist at the Co-operative Research Institute, later from 1975 to 1979 she was a guest lecturer in Bolivia at the La-Paz and San Andres University. Between 1980-1991 she participated in the establishment of the social worker training at the Institute of Sociology of the Eötvös Loránd University. From 1991 to 2003 she became the leader of Hungarian Jewish Social Aid Foundation. Later from 2003 she worked as an expert at the Government Office for Equal Opportunities, and at the European Parliament. Since 2007 she is the Managing Director of the Social Innovation Foundation. Nevertheless she is an author of several essays and books, mostly on topics concerning social inequality, poverty and social exclusion. In the framework of the Dialogue for Tolerance Program she has also worked together for more than ten years with Miriam Ben David, an Israeli psychologist

P3B: THE NEXT 20 YEARS – THE WORLD HOW WE ENVISAGE

H.E. MIHAI RĂZVAN UNGUREANU - FORMER PRIME MINISTER OF ROMANIA

Mihai Răzvan Ungureanu is a Romanian historian, politician and former Prime Minister of Romania. He was the foreign minister of Romania from December 2004 to March 2007, and he was appointed as Director of the Foreign Intelligence Service later in 2007. Following the resignation of the Emil Boc government he was appointed Prime Minister serving through April 2012.

He earned his PhD at the Faculty of History at

the Al. I. Cuza University of Iași. He also conducted Postgraduate studies at the Centre for Jewish and Hebrew Studies in 1992-1993.

From 1985 to 1989, Ungureanu was an alternate member of the Union of Communist Youth Central Committee. Ungureanu was a professor at the University of Iași when he was recruited to the diplomatic service in 1998. He served as State Secretary in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1998–2000), and was a Vienna-based representative of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe (2000–2004) before his appointment as foreign minister.

PROF. JOHN SHATTUCK - PRESIDENT AND RECTOR, CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

John Shattuck is an international legal scholar and human rights leader, became the fourth President and Rector of Central European University (CEU) in August 2009.

Prior to his appointment as President and Rector of CEU, Shattuck had served as Chief Executive Officer of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, and Senior Fellow at Tufts University, where he taught international relations.

Shattuck has had a distinguished diplomatic career. As United States Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor from 1993 to 1998, under President Bill Clinton, he played a key role in the establishment by the United Nations of the International Criminal Tribunals for Rwanda and former Yugoslavia, working closely with Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. He also worked with an international coalition under UN authority to restore a democratically elected government to Haiti, and later participated with Ambassador Richard Holbrooke in negotiating the Dayton Peace Agreement and other efforts to end the war in Bosnia. From 1998 to 2000, he served as U.S. Ambassador to the Czech Republic. There he worked with the Czech government to prepare the country's accession to NATO, to assist in overhauling the country's legal system, and to support innovative civic education programs in the country's schools and universities.

Shattuck was Vice President of Government, Community and Public Affairs at Harvard

University from 1984-1993. His career began at the American Civil Liberties Union, where he served as Executive Director of the Washington office and national staff counsel, and handled a number of prominent civil rights and liberties cases, including Halperin v. Kissinger, a successful challenge to the warrantless wiretapping program conducted by the Nixon White House.

MR. PETER MATJAŠIČ - PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN YOUTH FORUM

Peter Matjašič, born and raised in Slovenia, graduated in International Relations, speaks eight languages and has been active in the field of (European) youth work for ten years: as an active volunteer, youth trainer and facilitator (YFJ Pool of Trainers 2006-2008), youth representative and youth worker (e.g. Secretary-General of JEF-Europe 2008-10) and since January 2011 President of the European Youth Forum (YFJ). As President Peter is the leader of the world's biggest youth platform representing tens of millions of young people in Europe; managing a multinational and culturally diverse team of 11 people; overseeing the work of the Secretary-General and inter-alia 25 employees in the Brussels-based Secretariat with an annual budget of 3 million euro; driving change-management, strategic planning and development of an organisational culture; policy, advocacy and lobby work and external representation vis-a-vis the EU Institutions, the Council of Europe and UN system related to youth issues such as employment, participation. Content-wise he is also in charge of the Structured Dialogue on youth affairs within the EU chairing the European Steering Committee and the impact of social media and internet governance on youth. Moreover, he set up the English version of Le Taurillon webzine under the name thenfewfederalist.eu back in 2006, serving as its first Editor-in-Chief. Currently he is part of the Soliya Network Fellowship, a diverse group of young leaders from around the world who are committed to building cross-cultural understanding by using new media technologies to facilitate constructive intercultural engagement.

CHAired BY
MR. FERENC SOMOGYI - FORMER MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF HUNGARY, MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC TRANSITION

Dr. Ferenc Somogyi has finished his Phd at the Karl Marx University of Economics in 1977.

He started his career in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Hungary in 1968-1969 as a desk officer at the department of International Organizations. In 1980-1984 he was a Deputy Permanent Representative at the UN Mission of Hungary in New York. Between 1984 and 1989 he was head of department for the International Organizations at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Hungary. In 1989-1991 he was State Secretary at the MFA, he participated in the opening of the Austro-Hungarian border for GDR citizens that led to the fall of the Berlin wall.

He was a senior member of the Hungarian delegation to the last session of the Warsaw Treaty Organization in Moscow that led to the termination of that treaty and the elimination of its organisation, furthermore he was head of the Hungarian delegation on the negotiations on the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Hungary.

From 1989 to 1992 he was a member of the Hungarian Olympic Committee. In 1994-1996 he was State Secretary at the MFA. In 1996-1998 State Secretary for Euro-Atlantic Integration, and the head of the Hungarian delegations at the negotiations on the Basic Treaty between Hungary and Slovakia and between Hungary and Romania. Between 1998 and 2001 he was the Director for European Integration at the MATÁV Hungarian Telecommunications Company, from 1998-2003 President of the Hungarian Atlantic Council. In 2004-2006 he became the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Hungary, in 2007-2009 he was appointed to Ambassador of Hungary to the USA, in 2009-2011 to Ambassador of Hungary to Singapore.

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