Congress Guide
Programme
**WEDNESDAY, 6 MAY**

08.45 **Official Opening** (Lecture Theatre N112)

09.30 **Opening Lecture** (Lecture Theatre N112)

10.30 **Coffee Break**

11.00 **1st Plenary Session** (Lecture Theatre N112)

**CONCEPTS OF EUROPE: HISTORICAL APPROACH**

European Identity – A Generative Approach  
**Andre Marga** (Babes-Bolyai University, Romania)

Europe – Cartographical Concepts in the Middle Ages  
**Ingrid Baumgärtner** (University of Kassel, Germany)

European Consciousness in the Early Modern Central and Eastern Europe  
**Janusz Tazbir** (Polish Academy of Science, Poland)

Towards a New History of Modern Europe  
**Jean-Frédéric Schaub** (École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, France)

13.00 **Lunch**

14.30 **2nd Plenary Session** (Lecture Theatre N112)

**EUROPEAN CULTURE: HISTORY AND MEMORY**

International Conferences and the Formation of a European Political Culture  
**Günther Lottes** (University of Potsdam, Germany)

Enlightenment’s Wake and the Birth of Europe – The Condemnation to Modernity as the Only Exit for an Identity  
**Onésimo T. Almeida** (Brown University, USA)

La masonería española y europea en la búsqueda de la paz y en la creación de la Sociedad de Naciones tras la 1ª Guerra Mundial  
**José Ferrer Benimeli** (University of Zaragoza, Spain)

Europe and the Mediterranean Today – Geography and Geopolitics  
**Bodo Freund** (Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany)

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**Session A (Conference Room N#)**

**IDEAS OF EUROPE IN THE ANCIENT WORLD**

Europe and the Other: Roots of a European Identity in Greco-Roman Antiquity  
**Andreas Hartmann** (Catholic University Eichstätt-Ingolstadt - Germany)

The Classic European Foundations: From the Greek *Polis* to the Roman Empire  
**António Moniz** (New University of Lisbon, Portugal)
The West and the East in Herodotus’ Perception of His World
Ana Filipa Silva / Cristina Lucas (CLEPUL, Portugal)

Strabo’s Geographika in the Rome of Augustus
Paula Carreira / Susana Alves (CLEPUL, Portugal)

The Era of Sparta?
João Carreteiro (CLEPUL, Portugal)

Session B (Conference Room N#)
IDEAS OF EUROPE WITHIN NATIONAL CULTURES

Europeanism as a Strategy of Preserving National Cultures
Tadeusz Miczka (University of Silesia, Poland)

Spain in the Building of European History and Identity: Past and Future
Ignacio Pulido Serrano (University of Alcalá de Henares, Spain)

European Union and Turkey
Eduard A. Bulut (Nurol Holding & Cengiz Holding Joint Venture, Turkey)

The Idea of Europe in Galician National Literature
Carme Fernández Pérez-Sanjulián (University of A Coruña, Spain)

Concepts of Europe in the 19th Century Slovak Missionists and Messianists: Stur, Hrobon, Hodza
Joanna Goszczynska (University of Warsaw, Poland)

Session C (Conference Room N#)
LEGAL AND POLITICAL ASPECTS OF EUROPE

Euroscepticism in Europe
Florian Hartleb (Chemnitz University of Technology, Germany)

The Prospect of a Political Europe: A Matter of Political Regime or a Matter of System of Government?
Carlos Leone (Brown University, USA)

The Principle of a Social Welfare State for the European Health Market – Legal-Economic Considerations on Healthcare-Related Order Placed by the EU
Wilfried Janoska (University of Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology, Austria)

The Principle of Transparency and European Identity
Renato Gonçalves (University of Lisbon, Portugal)

EU’s Restructuring – Assignment of a New Course and a New Meaning to European Integration
Grigore Silasi / Teodora Dogaru (West University of Timisoara, Romania)

Session D (Conference Room N#)
A COLLECTIVE MEMORY FOR EUROPE – I

Europe and a Memory out of Stone
Claudia Isep / Claudia Küttel (Alpen-Adria University Klagenfurt, Austria)

European Identity in Current Spanish Life: An Analysis of Various Examples of Holocaust Memory and Representation in Contemporary Spain
Luisa Juárez Hervás (University of Alcalá de Henares, Spain)

Today’s Europe and Its Origins in the Versailles Order
Christian Blasberg (Luiss Guido Carli University, Italy)

One World, Two Philosophical Traditions: A Comparison of Maritain’s and Kojeve’s Arguments for World Unification and European Integration
James Fetter (University of Notre Dame, USA)
Memories of Mittelbau-Dora. A Contribution to the ‘Have-dones’ and ‘To-dos’ in European Cultural Memory
Bruno Arich-Gerz (Darmstadt University of Technology, Germany)

Session E (Conference Room N#)
QUESTIONING THE EUROPEAN IDENTITY – I

Post-Modern Requirements of Identity for Europe
Matúš Halás (Charles University, Czech Republic)
‘Old Europe’ – Career, Misunderstandings and Potentials of a Concept
Hiram Kümper (University of Vechta, Germany)
From Exclusion to Hospitality; from Transgression to Cultural Difference; the European Pendulum
Nadja Stamselberg (Goldsmiths University of London, UK)
Abduction of Europe: A Matter in Change
Olga Rusinova (European University at St. Petersburg, Russia)
From Europe towards the Universalism of the Fifth Empire in the Work by Fernando Pessoa
Paulo Borges (University of Lisbon, Portugal)

19:00: Social Programme
CULTURAL EVENING AT THE UNIVERSITY’S CULTURE CLUB

THURSDAY, 7 MAY

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THINKING EUROPE / FEELING EUROPE

An Education for Europe?
António Nóvoa (University of Lisbon, Portugal)
Crisis, Economic Growth and Democracy. Europe at a Crossroad?
Bernhard Taureck (University of Braunschweig, Germany)
A Return to the Future: How will Europe be able to overcome its Present Crisis?
Frieder O. Wolf (Freie Universität Berlin, Germany)
A Culture for Europe?
Guilherme d’Oliveira Martins (Centro Nacional de Cultura, Portugal)

10.45 Coffee Break

11.00 Parallel Sessions

Session F (Conference Room N#)
LITERARY CONCEPTS OF EUROPE – I

Discovering and Self-Discovering. European Literature and European Consciousness in the Early Modern Times
Peter Hanenberg (Catholic University, Portugal)
The Idea of Europe in the Period of Romanticism
Jacek Lyszczyna (University of Silesia, Poland)
The European Idea in Russian National Literature: Contexts and Discussions

**Maria Kistereva / Mikhail Kabitskiy** (Moscow Lomonosov State University, Russia)

“SOS Europa” – Cultural Pessimism in Essays on Early 20th Century Europe

**Verena Gutsche** (Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany)

**Session G (Conference Room N#)**

**IDEAS OF EUROPE IN MEDIEVAL AND MODERN EUROPE**

Medieval Europe – Object and Ideology

**Klaus Oschema** (Heidelberg University, Germany)

Mutual Wisdom. The Perception of the European Self in the Oriental Mirror as Found in the Provençal Version of the Novel *Barlaam et Josaphat*

**Imre G. Majorossy** (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Hungary)

Denomination Process and Proto-Nationalism in Spanish Monarchy – Study Through Military Orders (‘Venerable Orden Tercera de San Francisco’) and University of Alcala (1520-1680)

**José Ignacio Ruiz Rodríguez / Pierluigi Nocella** (University of Alcalá de Henares, Spain)

Being the Face of Europe or Bringing up the Rear: Portugal and Europe from the 16th to 18th Century

**José Eduardo Franco / Teresa Pinheiro** (University of Lisbon, Portugal / Chemnitz University of Technology, Germany)

**Session H (Conference Room N#)**

**DREAMING OF ENLIGHTENED EUROPE**

Shadows, Relics, Mechanical Toys: Karamzin’s View of Enlightened Europe as the Grand Bizarre

**Sonja Koroliov** (University of Halle/Wittenberg, Germany)

‘Barbarians in the Archive?’ Constructions of the Other and the Self in the Encyclopédie of Diderot and d’Alembert

**Karen Struve** (University of Bremen, Germany)

Montesquieu and the Problem of Forming a European Spirit

**Joshua Bandoch** (University of Notre Dame, USA)

Wieland’s Idea of Europe

**Dominic Eggel** (The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland)

**Session I (Conference Room N#)**

**EUROPE OF REGIONS**

Province on a Hill: South Tyrol as a Microcosm of European Federalism

**Phillip Alday** (Philippy-Universität Marburg, Germany)

Ideas of Europe in Madeira’s Culture

**Tierry Proença** (Madeira University, Portugal)

The Route of Santiago – The First European Cultural Route and the Pilgrimage of Mythical Women in Medieval Europe (St Elisabeth of Portugal and St Bridgid of Sweden)

**Isabel Morán Cabanas** (University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain)

Santiago de Compostela: A Gateway for European Culture and Poetry

**Yara F. Vieira** (Campinas State University, Brazil)

**Session J (Conference Room N#)**

**EUROPEAN ELITE(S)**
Les États-Unis d’Europe and Le Lien des Peuples. Ideas of/for Europe in the Fraternity of Freemasons, c. 1850-1930

Joachim Berger (Institute of European History, Germany)

Hubs of European Modernism (1890-1960)

Cecilia Hansson (Malmö University, Sweden)

An Idea of Europe as an Elitist Ideal of Portugal

Alexandre Honrado (IEC-PMA, Portugal)

Intellectual Elite and the European Idea in Post-Communist Romania

Ioan Horga / Cristina Dogot (University of Oradea, Romania)

13.00 Lunch

14.30 4th Plenary Session (Lecture Theatre N112)

LITERARY EUROPE

The Vision of Europe in Polish Literature Against a Background of Other Slavic Literatures and Its Consequences for the Future of the European Union

Halina Janaszek-Ivaničková (Commission for Comparative Studies of Slavic Literatures at the International Committee of Slavists, Poland)

Reformulations of Europe in the Portuguese Literature from the Romanticism to the Early 20th Century

Annabela Rita (University of Lisbon, Portugal)

Religion and Freedom, Civilisation and Justice – Some Elements of the Image of Europe from Novalis and Chateaubriand to Garrett and Hugo

Helmut Siepmann (RWTH Aachen University, Germany)

Balkan Cultures Between Enlightenment and the Beginning of 20th Century

Milan Gjurcinov (International Committee of Slavists, Macedonia)

16.30 Coffee Break

16.45 Parallel Sessions

Session K (Conference Room N#)

LITERARY CONCEPTS OF EUROPE – II

Europe Between Myth and Continental Allegory. Georg Kaiser’s Play ‘Europe’

Almut Renger (Freie Universität Berlin - Germany)

Europe as Other in Contemporary Balkan Literatures

Anastasija Gjurcinova (University Ss. Cyril and Methodius of Skopje, Macedonia)

The New Face of Europe – Images of a Post-Colonial Continent

Micaela Ramon (University of Minho, Portugal)

Is the Time Night? Visions of a ‘New Europe’ through the Writings of Liudmila Petrushevskaia and Carmen Martin Gaite

Margaret Tejerizo (University of Glasgow, Great Britain)

Session L (Conference Room N#)

A COLLECTIVE MEMORY FOR EUROPE – II

Oskar Schindler and Raoul Wallenberg – National, European and American Heroes in the Post-War Age of the Holocaust

Ulf Zander (Lund University, Sweden)
The Holocaust in European History Culture
Karl-Göran Karlsson (Lund University, Sweden)

Coming to Terms with Histories: Communism and Nazism in Trans-Boundary Historical Culture
Kristian Gerner (Lund University, Sweden)

Session M (Conference Room N#

QUESTIONING THE EUROPEAN IDENTITY – II

The Ambiguity of the ‘Other Europe’: From a ‘Europe behind the Iron Curtain’ to ‘a Europe without the Iron Curtain’
Friederike Kind-Kovács (Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Germany)

Ideas of Europe in the Works by Pope Benedict XVI and George Steiner
Miguel Real (CLEPUL, Portugal)

Cultural Identity / Identities for Europe: Does It Serve for Anything?
Maria Manuel Baptista (University of Aveiro, Portugal)

Transculturality – A European Concept?
Ulrike Brummert (Chemnitz University of Technology, Germany)

An Unfinished Adventure Called ‘Europe’. Bauman, Kertész and Žižek on Europe’s Identity and Future
Mare Van Den Eeden (Central European University, Hungary)

Session N (Conference Room N#

ENCOUNTERS WITH EUROPE AS SEEN BY THE OTHER – I

Lusophone Africa and Europe: An Historical and Cultural Heritage
Muanamosi Matumona (Universidade Agostinho Neto, Angola)

Wartime Europe as Seen by Others – Indian and African Soldiers in Europe in WW1
Christian Koller (Bangor University, UK)

European Myth in African Literature: Les Soleils des Independances by Ahmadou Kourouma and Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe
Paul Angoli (University of Cocody, Abidjan, Ivory Coast)

Ideas of Europe in Post-Colonial African Lusophone Literature
Fernanda Santos (CLEPUL, Portugal)

Session O (Conference Room N#

IDEAS OF/FOR COMMON EUROPE

Back to the Roots – Emotionalising Europe
Martin Gerner (TU Dresden, Germany)

Recent Developments Concerning the Free Movement of Workers in Europe: The Principle of Non-Discrimination on Grounds of Nationality
Daniela Rocha Brandão (University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain)

On Intergenerational Mobility in Europe
Ana Prokopyshyn / Paulo Delgado (CompaRes, Portugal)

Towards a More Inclusive European Immigration Policy
Alexej Ulbricht (Goldsmiths University of London, Great Britain)

How to Deal with European Integration: Writing nsd 68, New Evidence Reveals Internal Discords in the Nixon White House
Dimitri Grygowski (University of Cergy-Pontoise, France)
FRIDAY, 8 MAY

08.45 5th Plenary Session (Lecture Theatre N112)

EUROPE AND ITS FUTURE PROSPECTS

Towards a Mythology of Europe

Eduardo Lourenço (University of Nice, France)

Education, Interculturalism, and the New Europe

Steven Tótösy de Zepetnek (National Sun Yat-sen University / University of Halle-Wittenberg, Germany)

The Missing Word in the Idea of Europe

Luís M. de Abreu (Universidade de Aveiro, Portugal)

Sentimental Europe

Pedro B. Homem (University of Lisbon, Portugal)

10.45 Coffee Break

11.00 Parallel Sessions

Session P (Conference Room N#)

BETWEEN NATIONAL AND EUROPEAN IDENTITY – 20TH CENTURY ATTEMPTS

Ideas of Western Europe in Political Discussions of the Late Russian Empire (1904-1914)

Benjamin Beuerle (Humboldt University Berlin, Germany)

Foundations of the Post-WW II European Order: The Europe Plans of the German, Italian, Dutch, French and Polish Resistance Against Hitler, 1940-1945

Ulrich Frisse (University of Western Ontario, Canada)

The ‘New Europe’ in the Discourse of Quisling and In-Exile Governments: The Greek Case, 1941–1944

Alexandra Patrikiou (Panteion University of Athens, Greece)

Visions of Europe and Revolution in the Intersecting Activist and Resistance Trajectories of Harro Schulze-Boysen and Alexandre Marc

Christian Roy (Université de Sherbrooke, Canada)

Session Q (Conference Room N#)

EUROPE AS SEEN BY THE OTHER - II

Seeing Oneself through Other Eyes? Anthropology and Non-European Civilizations from the Age of Discoveries to the 18th Century

Franz Obermeier (Kiel University, Germany)

A Far Distant Glance at Europe: Critical Perspectives from Africa, India and China

Vittorio Cotesta (Roma Tre University, Italy)

A Global Power’s View on a Regional Actor: Henry Kissinger’s Year of Europe

Judith Michel (University of Bonn, Germany)

Session R (Conference Room N#)

EUROPE: INTEGRITY AND DIVERSITY
Europe: Unity and Multitude: ‘Kronika wszystkiego świata’ by M. Bielski
as a Great Vision of Old Continent
Ewa Cybulska-Bohuszewicz / Paweł Bohuszewicz (Polish Academy of Science, Poland)

Ideas of Europe Between Sarmatism and Sebastianism. A Comparative Perspective
Beata Cieszynska (CLEPUL, CompaRes, Portugal / Kazimierz Wielki University, Poland)

Archaeology and Political Agendas: The Making of Nationalism in Portugal (19th-20th Centuries)
Ana Cristina Martins (Tropical Research Institute, Portugal)

Session S (Conference Room N#)
EUROPE AND THE HUMAN UNIVERSE

Globalization as Europeanization
Peeter Müürsepp (International University Audentes, Estonia)

Europe in the World: Playing Chess Games or Something Else?
Noémia Simões (High Institute of Engineering, Portugal)

The Concept of Europe – and Beyond
Dieter Köhler (Universität Karlsruhe, Germany)

Session T (Conference Room N#)
EUROPE IN EDUCATION

Why and How Should European Literature Be Taught in Europe? Some Ideas and a Modest Proposal
Jesús García Gabaldón (Complutense University of Madrid, Spain)

The Future of European Languages in the Face of the Dominance of English. The role of Portuguese and Bulgarian in the European and International Co-operation Politics
Boyka G. Nédeva (St Cyril and St Methodius University of Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria)

13.00 Lunch

14.00 6th Plenary Session (Lecture Theatre N112)
POLITICS, IDENTITIES AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The Nexus of European Integration and the Metamorphosis of International Relations: Contemporary Dilemma
Luis Lobo-Fernandes (University of Minho, Portugal)

Who Are We, Europeans? How Can Europeans Learn with Americans about Their Own Political Identity
Viriató Soromenho-Marques (University of Lisbon, Portugal)

What Does Europe Means Now?
Erhard Busek (Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe, Austria)

15.30 Special Session (Aula Magna, N115)
CONFERMENT OF AN HONORARY DEGREE

Award of the degree of Doctor Honoris Causa to the President of the European Commission, Mr José Manuel Barroso

Mr Barroso will address the assembly
18.00 Social Programme

**ALTERNATIVE I: EUROPEAN CUP AT THE UNIVERSITY’S FOOTBALL PITCH**
**ALTERNATIVE II: GUIDED TOUR OF CHEMNITZ “20 YEARS AFTER THE PEACEFUL REVOLUTION”**

20.00 Congress Dinner

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**SATURDAY, 9 MAY**

08.45 7th Plenary Session (Lecture Theatre N112)

**EUROPE AS SEEN BY THE OTHER**
(Chair: António Nóvoa)

Europe as Seen From Africa  
**Jánoš Riesz** (University of Bayreuth, Germany)
Faked Europes in Brazil during the XIXth and XXth Century  
**Mary Del Priore** (University Salgado de Oliveira, Brazil)
The Image of Europe in 19th and 20th Century’s Brazil  
**Valmir Muraro** (Federal University of Santa Catarina, Brazil)

10.15 8th Plenary Session (Lecture Theatre N112)

**EUROPE IN TRAVEL LITERATURE**
(Chair: Mary Del Priore)

Travel Literature as a Source of Transformations in Europe  
**Fernando Cristóvão** (Lisbon Science Academy, Portugal)
Europe Seen from far: on Some Topics and Issues in the Accounts of Travellers from Other Parts of the World  
**Michael Harbsmeier** (Roskilde University, Denmark)

11.15 Coffee Break

11.30 Closing Lecture (Lecture Theatre N112)
Making the Planet Hospitable to Europe  
**Zygmunt Bauman** (University of Leeds, UK)

12.30 Closing Session (Lecture Theatre N112)
Abstracts
THE WORD MISSING TO THE IDEA OF EUROPE

Luís Machado de Abreu

The construction of the European Union has made decisive progresses in the economic, social and political fields. Nevertheless there is a field, in which there is still much to do, namely the field of cultural politics. Cultural Europe is a territory full of contradictions and complexities, where the visionary intuition will have to challenge the strength of tradition and the egocentrism of national identities.

The aim of this contribution will be to reflect on some of the most enlightened ideas about the present and the future of Europe, that have been made during the 20th century. We will focus on the works of Paul Valéry, Ortega y Gasset, Peter Sloterdijk. More than simply utopias, Europe needs prophetic words, which criticises in the present the errors and impasses of the past and shows the way to more security and deep in Europe.

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PROVINCE ON A HILL: SOUTH TYROL AS A MICROCOSM OF EUROPEAN FEDERALISM

Phillip Alday

The promise of a unified, peaceful Europe realized through an already long envisioned Federalism often strikes the imagination as an unqualified positive, but beneath this happy hope looms a precarious problem. Supranational unity and national identity are locked in an apparent zero-sum game, and Europe must strike a balance. Fears of cultural loss have stopped the advancement of the dream, and a stalemate has developed, evident in the vacillating designs for a European constitution and calls for devolution.

The border area of South Tyrol functions as a microcosm of this federalist dilemma and shows how to strike a win for both unity and identity out of the current stagnation. Although the nationally dominant Italian culture and language had coexisted with the local Germanic in South Tyrol for centuries, the transformation of the region into a sub-entity of a larger (Italian) political framework following annexation ignited fears of cultural hegemony, which were very nearly realized during a program of Italianization under Mussolini. Attempts to statically bal-
ance Italian national unity with local identity left neither requirement satisfactorily met. The evolution of a 'dynamic autonomy' created a dynamic equilibrium, where both local and national concerns could be addressed effectively. Like all compromises, some aspects of each side were less than ideal, but the overall balance was much better than either extreme, and South Tyroleans increasingly recognize that peaceful community with another culture can lead to enrichment instead of dissolution. The change to this optimistic perspective, i.e. embracing this situation as a net gain for both interests, provides a palatable solution to the dilemma.

The concerns about cultural hegemony, economic dominance, self determination and national sovereignty in the European Union can be addressed by similar political processes. A dynamic equilibrium can satisfy the required balance of peaceful, supranational unity and national sovereignty and identity, with the result that both players in this zero-sum game tie for the win. In this way, this tiny agricultural area is leading the way into the common European future. Although we cannot yet see the final form, we already have a very good idea of how the long awaited European Federalism will look when we look at the success of South Tyrol and other border regions.

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ENLIGHTENMENTS’S WAKE AND THE AWAKENING IN EUROPE - THE CONVICTION OF MODERNITY AS THE ONLY EXIT FOR IDENTITY

Onésimo T. Almeida

Scholars of cultural identity often ignore an obviously very significant fact: that the word identity is generally used mistakenly (in the classic sense of the Aristotelian origin of the word). That means the term is used both ways indiscriminately: identity as past and common cultural characteristics (sometimes considered as homogeneous) and unity with a regard for the future. Confusion and disagreement are inevitable if this mistake is not clarified. In the case of European identity it will be impossible as has been reflected in debates about what constitutes the common past, this unity is impossible to uncover. The Greco-Roman world is not exactly the Christian world. Christianity has never been an identity (in the first meaning of the term) except during the long period of the Middle Ages as anyone today accepts. And even then divisions between Orthodox Christianity and the Roman occurred at a very early stage. Following this, the Reformation and Counter-Reformation created a cleavage that lasted for at least 400 years. The debate on European identity should therefore focus on a kind of uto-
This utopia should give due attention to the philosophical work of the past two centuries in the field of ethics, yet it cannot go beyond a rather general set of ideals emerging from the Enlightenment which post-modernists want to refuse. Essentially they refuse only the absolutism of modernity, not its basic axioms (see my essay “Modernity, post modernity and other nublosidades” [Culture - History and Philosophy 22 (2006), pp. 29 - 69].

Given this scenario it is inevitable to ignore the American model, which is based on the axioms of this paradigm. Many Europeans are horrified when faced with this possibility, but the only possible response seems to be to paraphrase a famous statement by Churchill: modernity (iluminismo) is the most horrible of utopias (see for example John Gray, Enlightenment’s Wake, Routledge, 1995) and Black Mass. Apocalyptic Religion and the Death of Utopia, Penguin Books, 2008) except for all others.

Essential to this process is an inevitable dose of voluntarism that is not provided by the empirical-rationalist paradigm which is predominant na mundividência currently predominant in the West e que não é de modo nenhum por ele desautorizado, but an emotional and volitional intervention of a collective project. If it is not in Descartes but in Pascal que se encontra saída para uma aposta racional.

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EUROPEAN MYTH IN THE AFRICAN LITERATURE: LES SOLEILS DES INDEPENDANCES FROM AHMADOU KOUROUMA AND THING FALL APART FROM CHINUA ACHEBE

Paul Angoli

Marked by the diversity of cultures, customs, traditions, languages, rhythms, oral literatures, and in particular, a rich civilization in human and mythical values, the African continent was a target of radical transformation since the arrival of the Europeans. The destruction of the cultural values, the establishment of a strong administration for the exploration of the African cultural influenced the emergence of a European myth in African literatures.

In the course of this essay, we shall analyse Les Soleils des independances from Ahmadou Kourouma and Thing Fall Apart from Chinua Achebe. We will attach to the literary effects of the imposition of Christian religion and the colonization in Africa.
Much like in any other concentration and extermination camp of the Nazi era, the Häftlingsgesellschaft (prisoner society) of the Mittelbau-Dora camp complex included Jews, Sinti and Roma, political opponents of the fascist regime and other individuals such as “criminals” Italian military internees or Yehova’s witnesses. With the exception of one single internee – a Haitian –, these were deported to the Harz region in Northern Thuringia from those nations which have in the mean come to be members of the European Union or belong, as in the case of Russia and Ukraine, to the ring of adjacent countries. A look at the record of memoirs and accounts of those who survived the ordeals in the “Hell of Dora” that existed from August 1945 until April 1945 reveals an extremely diverse picture, though. Belgian, French and Dutch survivors produced comparatively many of these reports after their liberation by outspokenly or implicitly betraying a great acceptance and honoration of their past endurances in a “système méritocratique” (Chaumont). The reports from German political opponents, mostly communists, tell a different story if one re-inspects them through the optics of today: written after the war and published mainly in the Eastern part of Germany, these foreground the heroic fight against fascism even within the enemy’s camps, borne as it was by an adherence to those ideological tenets which would then become the state doctrine of the GDR, rendering their writers into worshipped examples of anti-fascist resistance. Yet another story – a mainly untold one – is that of the Russian and Ukrainian survivors: with the exception of some taped interviews conducted at the Mittelbau-Dora memorial site (Gedenkstätte), their postwar ordeals in the Gulags and the difficulties of re-integrating in their native societies have not yet reached a larger public either in the Western part of Europe or in their home countries.

Given this heterogenous picture of accounts which draw on a period in the past of Europe that was – and still is – all but “European” in the sense of today’s political agenda of a consensus-oriented and “let’s grow together” politics, the suggested contribution to the Ideas of Europe conference points at the to-dos in present-day memory culture. By recognizing the disparate individual memories and collective (non-)remembrance in general as a prerequisite for the identity formation of a Europe as an eventual supranational entity which explicitly pays
heed to its more painful and markedly “anti-European” chapters in the past, the presentation wishes, firstly, to inspire more urgently needed data-collecting and research activities in countries such as Poland, Czechia or Slovakia and Slovenia. Once catching up with this and secondly, it proposes a considerate look at the entirety of European suffering in the Nazi Mittelbau-Dora camps, exemplary as they were for a distinctly chauvinistic politico-cultural approach to ‘unifying’ the continent, for the aim of creating a present that not only learns the lesson from its more recent past, but also finds a suitable equilibrium between governable unity and cultural diversity.


MONTESQUIEU AND THE PROBLEM OF FORMING A EUROPEAN SPIRIT

Joshua Bandoch

To understand the Europe and the Union it is forming, we must begin by looking at the thinkers and ideas which inspired it. One of the seminal philosophers to study for these purposes is Montesquieu, the 18th Century Frenchman. In his De l’esprit de lois (1748) Montesquieu is principally concerned with how the identity of a community, state, or nation is understood, formed, maintained, and changed. To accomplish this task he analyzes myriad factors which constitute the spirit of a community – religion, history, laws, commerce, culture, religion, mores, and manners. By carefully analyzing many societies and incorporating these concepts into his analysis, Montesquieu provides both general and particular maxims for forming a good, cohesive spirit within a state. Yet in spite of his careful investigation Montesquieu reminds us that it is very difficult to accomplish the task of forming a good spirit. He thus identifies a core problem which we face today, namely if, how and to what extent different communities can be brought together to form a more cohesive identity.

As the European Union moves forward and attempts to both further integrate the communities already within it and to incorporate new nations, states, and communities, this problem is especially acute. The question arises as to whether and to what extent a “European” identity can form. That is, to what extent is it possible for this Union to be “European?” What would be the costs – political, economical, social, and spiritual – of doing so?
Using Montesquieu as my guide, I then apply his thought to the contemporary quandary facing the European Union, namely the extent to which different communities can and should be integrated into a larger European community. I argue that it might be possible to form what I will refer to as a “loose” European spirit, but that it is very difficult and in fact undesirable to form what I will call a “tight” European spirit because the cost of cutting ties with the values of more local communities is too high. By a “loose” European spirit I mean a basic level of consensus about what it means to be European on these five areas – political, economical, social, historical, and spiritual. By a “tight” European spirit I mean close agreement on these five areas. Only in approaching the matter this way can European community move forward in developing a better European Union.


M A K I N G T H E P L A N E T H O S P I T A B L E T O E U R O P E

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The title implies that our planet is not at the moment hospitable to Europe. It also suggests, obliquely, that we, the Europeans, experience the lack of such hospitality as a problem - that is, as a deviation from what could be legitimately expected, an abnormality that needs to be put right again. ‘Again’ – since, presumably, in the past we used to feel on the planet chez soi and wherever and whenever we went we would have expected hospitality to us and to our daring pursuits as our birthright; and we would assume that the homely feeling will continue as part of the natural order of things. ‘Hospitality’ came so naturally, as to hardly ever leap into our view as a ‘problem’ calling for special attention. As Martin Heidegger would have put it, it remained in the grey and misty area of zuhanden - and as long as things worked as they were expected to, there was no occasion to move it into the sphere of vorhanden - into the focus of attention, into the universe of ‘troubles’ and ‘tasks’.


EUROPE – CARTOGRAPHICAL CONCEPTS IN THE MIDDLE AGES

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Since ancient times the universal geographical term “Europe” refers to a part of the habitable world whereas the manner of dividing the world and the emphasis put on the three continents Asia - Europe - Africa was to be discussed. The presentation will focus on the solution of this problem in cartographic representations of the world during the Middle Ages. Which concepts were behind the global and regional mappings and the nautical maps, how was Europe established as a cartographic image? How was cognitive cartography related to the Christian ideals and morals of the Occident and which textual and pictorial strategies of argumenting were applied? With regard to the contemporary discussions of the realm of European culture, the presentation aims to comprehend geographic and cartographic images of Europe during the Middle Ages and to explain the functioning of medieval mapping for the example of Europe. Furthermore we will embed the practices of representation into their historiographic and literary contexts of knowledge and knowledge transfer processes. Of greatest importance are two components: First, the continent Europe as a historic-geographical variable with an extended range of possible interpretations; second, the discourse on the culturally determined function of maps.
Since the middle of the 19th century, the project of forming the ‘United States of Europe’ gained support among European intellectuals. Not few of them were convinced that a closer union between the European powers could only succeed if it did not solely rely upon governments and their administrations. In fact, a peaceful Union of states had to be backed up by a rapprochement of the European peoples at grass-roots level. Not surprisingly, this point of view was frequently uttered within the multi-faceted, Europe-wide network of societies, clubs, and associations. Probably the most prominent yet contended of these societies was freemasonry—an ethical initiatory fraternity promoting brotherly love and universal tolerance. The ritual practice of masonic lodges was designed to grind off those fundamental divides that had been separating mankind (nationality, religion, class, and race). Freemasonry thus seemed to be the natural ally of internationalist, pacifist, and pan-European movements from the revolutions of 1848/49 until the interwar period. Eminent pro-European freemasons included Aristide Briand, Gustav Stresemann, and Richard Coudenhove-Calergi. The editor of Les États-Unis d’Europe, the widespread journal of the Ligue Internationale de la Paix et de la Liberté (1867–1939), was the mason Charles Lemonier. The paper examines how European freemasons came to terms with the idea of a closer union of the European peoples and its presumable effects on masonic obediences in Europe. By focussing on key discussions in the national Grand Lodges of France, Italy, Germany, and England, the paper traces the intersections of a pan-European discourse within the fraternity—a discourse embedded into changing socio-cultural and political frameworks from the mid-nineteenth century until the derogation of masonic internationalism in the 1930s. Internationalist and pacifist movements indeed had its repercussions on European freemasonry, materializing in international congresses, publications, and organisations. However, these attempts to put into practice the masonic ideal of cosmopolitism (as embodied in the model of a universal brotherhood) were often thwarted by national(istic) sentiments on the part of the Grand Lodges, and by their fear
of being accused of international conspiracy. This conflict especially applied to ‘European’ initiatives. They were subject to growing tensions between universal values laid down in the Constitutions of 1723 and the mason’s duty for allegiance to his country. Masonic internationalism also suffered from internal disputes on religious obligations and political commitments of the fraternity. This factionalism was incarnated in the great schism triggered off by the decision of the Grand Orients of Belgium and France to leave it up to the individual lodges to adhere to the symbol of the ‘Great Architect of the Universe’. From the late 1870s, the United Grand Lodge of England ostracised all lodges that maintained fraternal relations with French brethren as ‘irregular’. The paper will discuss how the ideas of and for ‘Europe’ as a cultural and political entity were embedded in masonic discourse on intercultural encounters and transnational rapprochement. Where exactly did ‘Europe’ rank between the local lodge, national obedience, and the ideal of a ‘universal brotherhood’? How Christian, how secular was this ‘Europe of Freemasons’ (P.-Y. Beaurepaire)? Did freemasons regard their ‘European fraternity’ as morally and culturally distinct (or superior) within the worldwide ‘chain of brotherhood’? Which part did (Western) European freemasons ascribe to themselves in the quest for a closer union between the European states? The paper thus aims at a deeper understanding of masonic internationalism and will contribute to a social history of ‘European’ thought.


IDEAS OF WESTERN EUROPE IN POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS OF THE LATE RUSSIAN EMPIRE (1904-1914)

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In my lecture I will study different ideas of Western Europe as expressed in political reform discussions of the late Tsarist Empire, and the role of these ideas within these discussions. It is a commonplace that Peter the Great opened Russia to Western Europe and that in the last two centuries of the Tsarist Empire adherents and adversaries of a development modeled on Western European struggled to find the right way to Russia’s future. However, in the last decades of the Empire this dichotomy belonged already very much to the past. Although
it was still disputed if and to which degree Russia should (or could) follow Western Europe in a cultural way, since the Crimean War (1854-56) it was largely undisputed amongst Russian elites that Russia would have to modernize its economy, its infrastructure and more broadly its administration and at least part of its political system, if it was to survive as a grande puissance amidst powers like France, Great Britain and Germany. And there was – as far as Russian elites were concerned – hardly any doubt, that what represented modernity was Western Europe, or (as was used in many occasions as a synonym) the West (Zapad). It is no wonder then, that Western European models were largely present in political discussions of the late Empire and were widely used as political arguments in order to prove the value of one’s own proposals or to reject proposals of political adversaries. This was even more the case in the last decade before the First World War, during which – at the latest since the start of the 1905-07 Revolution – there were a huge number of political reforms to discuss and almost no censorship barriers to open political discussions (and thus to political plurality) left. Now, while it was – with certain exceptions – generally acknowledged that Russia would have to modernize more or less along Western European lines, it was not at all pre-defined what “Western Europe” meant in the Russian context – by the way no more than in Western Europe then or now. Which European countries could be regarded as representative for Western European modernity? Which belonged to it and which not? Could the French Republic be regarded as more modern and more European than the German Empire or the Italian Kingdom (or vice versa)? Was it, for example, European, was it modern (or – another favorite term occurring in Russian political discussions of the time – suitable for “civilized countries”), to resort to death penalty – as it was applied throughout large parts of Western Europe (but neither in Italy nor in Norway)? And which conclusions could be drawn from these ideas of and attributes to Western Europe for the Russian context?

It might be enough for now to state that the answers to these questions (as others related to them) were not homogenous, but that they differed very much depending on the political actor who would give them, on the party or social group he would belong to and on the point he would want to make. It will be the purpose of my lecture to study these different ideas of Europe expressed in Russian reform discussions of the late Empire – in the Duma and the State Council, in political publications and within the bureaucracy – and the role and function of these European models within these discussions. Besides the (important) fact that these different models and images of Western Europe became relevant when it came to form the political reforms that would shape Russia’s future at the time, it might be of interest to see in which way these ideas of Western Europe, as expressed in the Russian context, corresponded to or differed from ideas of Western Europe in other peripheral (or non-European) societies, as in Western Europe itself.
TODAY'S EUROPE AND ITS ORIGINS IN THE VERSAILLES ORDER

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Today’s European Order has many features in terms of structures, mentality and political thinking, of the Europe created by the Treaty of Versailles in 1919. It even seems as if the following Interwar Period, the Second World War and the whole complex of the Cold War Order had only been temporary disturbances of the Versailles Order to which Europe, in the end, had to return. The intentions of the Leaders of the Versailles Conference, then badly welcomed by many Europeans and by the Peacemakers own political elites, now seem to have known a late rehabilitation, proving that they had been basically right. Germany is not a threat to its neighbours any more, it has been cut off its eastern, most irredentist and dangerous parts; its remaining western and central parts have a stable and modern democracy. Poland’s eastern frontier corresponds mainly to a line set in Versailles; the principle of national self determination has been realized to a degree never known in Europe before, the Baltic Republics, Ukraine and even Belorussia and Moldova are independent countries. A League of Nations, renamed United Nations, exists with the participation of the USA and a non-soviet Russia, as well as a huge number of now independent former colonies.

On the other side, two of the States newly created in Versailles, the Czechoslovakian and the Yugoslav State, are now dissolved, but isn’t this dissolution, in the end, only a consequence and even a victory of the leading spirit of the Treaty, the principle of national self determination? Also a European Union was not foreseen by the Treaty, but is surely to be seen as a natural development out of its guiding spirit. A weakened continent after the First World War tried to establish new structures in order to overcome its old divisions.

On the other hand, the Versailles Treaty works today also in a negative sense. The problems that this treaty did not manage to resolve for the Interwar Period, are today’s problems. The Second World War as its tragic consequence and its outcome did not constitute the solution of these problems or put an end to the Versailles Order, but it was only a shock event that generated changes temporarily subordinated to it. When the Cold War Order vanished, the structures created at Versailles broke through again, stronger than ever before. If the Versailles Treaty has to be seen as a revolution, World War 2 and the Cold War were a counter-revolutionary period that came to its natural end because the revolutionary ideas were too strong to be suppressed. When dealing with problems like European Politics in the Geor-
gian-Russian Conflict or the Kosovo question, as well as many minor conflicts in and around Europe, the virtues and ‘defailiances’ shown by the various actors are those created by the Versailles Order. Tools for conflict solution in the 1920s and in post-1990 Europe are very similar, and the outcomes of the conflicts very much reflect the strengths and weaknesses of these tools.

The presentation will analyze these linking lines between the Europe of 1919 and the one we experience in 2009. The centenary of the Versailles Treaty in 2019 might lead to its rediscovery as the foundation event for Modern Europe.

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FROM EUROPA TOWARD THE UNIVERSALIMS OF THE FIFTH EMPIRE IN THE WORK OF FERNANDO PESSOA

Paulo Borges

In the lineage of Luís de Camões, Padre António Vieira e Agostinho da Silva, Fernando Pessoa reinterprets the biblical theme of the Fifth Empire as a metaphor of human awareness of totality and universality, by the mediation of Portuguese language and culture. Against the traditional interpretation, where the Fifth Empire is the messianic kingdom of God in earth, surpassing the historical succession of Assyrians, Persians, Greeks and Romans, Pessoa sees it as a cultural and spiritual empire, resulting from a syncretic assimilation of the core of each one of the former four great civilizational moments – Greece, Rome, Christianity, Europe –, that accomplishes and simultaneously transcends them with the spirit of universalism demanded by the “multicontinental nature of present [European] civilization” itself.


RECENT DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THE FREE MOVEMENT OF WORKERS IN EUROPE: THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF NATIONALITY

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Concious of the importance of the free movement of workers to the European internal market, the Court continues to underline the role of the principle of non-discrimination on the ground of nationality, in order to facilitate freedom of persons. The jurisprudence makes it clear, as one of the key elements in the creation of European market. The most important legal provisions governing the free movement of workers are containe in article 39 CE. The scope of this study is precisely defined in article 39, 2 CE, which stipulate:

“2. Such freedom of movement shall entail the abolition of any discrimination based upon nationality between workers of the Member States as regards employment, remuneration and other conditions of work and employment.”

IS TRANS-CULTURALITY A EUROPEAN CONCEPT?

Ulrike Brummert

If one takes a closer look at a cultural phenomenon, one easily comes to the conclusion that any cultural phenomenon is also a trans-cultural one. Is the concept Trans-Culturality an inadmissible tautology created in the inebriated passion of producing a pseudo-scientific discourse?

The case seems to be more complex than that. Another complementary field needed of a careful analysis lays on the conditioning of the addressee of culturality.

The presentation will at first analyse the potentialities of Trans-Culturality. Afterwards it will venture in the field of prospects, taking into account the signs of a change of perspective that can be detected at a European level. This lecture will be structured upon the question of suppression/conversion of the national ideal of the 19th century.

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EUROPEAN UNION AND TURKEY

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For centuries, Europe has been dominated by an internalised law of expansion, aiming to replicate itself in vast areas of the world; hence, she tends to be considered differently from various aspects by the peoples on other continents. As far as the standpoint of Turkey with
regard to the Continent of Europe and to European Union is concerned, it is necessary to elaborate the case under several items such as politics, economics, religion and legal harmonisation. Firstly, as for the political point of view of Turkey on European Union policy, the general public opinion is that EU applies double standards in accession negotiations and Cyprus Issue without taking into consideration the Customs Union or other conventions concluded. Secondly, in terms of economics, EU poses a good strong model disregarding the increasing employment rates in some member states and the vulnerability to global crises. Thirdly, considering the case through religious perspective, Turkish notion is that the Christian-dominant European states are of biases against a candidate with a different religious background and are unwilling to accept Islamic-oriented Turkey. Lastly, the legal harmonisation has assumed remarkable attention owing to outstanding figures judged by the Article 301 which has caused the Turkish think that EU and her harmonisation requirements have intervening nature. These items are the paramount points that form a general image of the Continent of Europe and of European Union within Turkish society.


**WHAT MEANS EUROPE NOW?**

*Erhard Busek*

Jacques Delors, the important President of the European Commission for ten years stated once: “You can not love a common market. We need to give Europe a soul.” This analysis is quite true for the current situation in Europe. European institutions are quite necessary but they are not really describing the content of the development of Europe alone. It was a challenge as the Convent discussed the European constitution to describe the roots of Europe. For sure we can do it by the historical development: Greek philosophy, Roman law, Jewish-Christian thinking, enlightenment and modernity had a deep impact on the European development.

Also we are defining Europe in “unity and variety”. But this is very abstract. On the other side we can register an upcoming nationalism in different countries. Also it is quite clear that is especially for the younger generation the technical approach of the decisions of the European governments are not enough. We are also missing a European public, where we are discussing what is in common in Europe.
The European integration is for sure a success story in economy, now questioned by the financial crises but it has to be also said that on this level the activities in the recent weeks have been not so bad. But a community in Europe growing up is also existing out of common feelings, out of the conviction that there are common roots, also the perception of history because out of this a lot of tensions on the bilateral level are coming or existing.

All this is extremely important in the situation we have not only since 1989 by the downfall of the iron curtain but also by the question: how far reaches Europe? This is not only a question of geographical definition, it is also a question of mutual understanding and knowledge. Sometimes we can say that emotions are really forgotten but they are quite necessary for sound development on our continent. “To give Europe a soul” is so far a challenge, especially for the humanities and social sciences. It can not be done only by institutions. It needs also the informal society because they are important for the real value of the civil society in our days.


IDEAS OF EUROPE IN THE ANCIENT WORLD: STRABO’S GEOGRAPHIKA IN THE ROME OF AUGUSTUS

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Strabo was born in c. 64 BC, in the Pontus. Son of a wealthy and influential family, he received a careful education. He went to Rome at 44 BC, where he met some men of culture at that time. He was the author of one of the most important works on the ancient world geography, the Geographika, which is composed of 17 books. In it, he describes the known world from a geographical and cultural point of view.

By arguing that his geographical science can be compared to Philosophy, Strabo begins a tour describing the three continents that fulfilled the classical wide world perception – Europe, Asia and Libya (Africa). Europe is, specifically, the first region to be mentioned. This choice is justified by the author, when he claims that Europe deserves its rightful prominence not only for having a natural predisposition to the development of excellent men and governments, but also because it contributed advantageously to the two other continents (2.5.26). He claims that a good statesman is crucial to the prosperity of the country, setting out three dominant people: Greeks, Macedonians and Romans.
In the augustanian context, Strabo’s Geographika depicts a plain idea of Eurocentrism. By analysing the world map he outlined, we can predict the European geographical configuration that we will find in subsequent ages.

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**The Era of Sparta**

João Carreteiro

Europe's future will not be shaped by polished questions about possible constitutional frameworks but by issues triggered so brutal as a result of profound changes in the complex energy that sustains the modern way of life.

This contribution is assuming that a new reality will be imposed by the consequences of “peak oil”, the most spectacular of a series of insurmountable natural limits brought about by the exuberance and greed of modern life. Without energy and cheap raw materials the future will be “no more of the same”. As the the tide turns to reach the limits of the earth a new era is about to unfold, metaphorically called “Era of Sparta,” as opposed to the “Era of Athens”, which in fact started already to disappear. When here, as in Athens of the fifth century BC, Europe enjoyed a culture of trade to the world and the new reality imposed by the planet will take its toll, it will resemble more the landscape of Lacedomónia, rough, parochial and inside-looking.

Signs that the natural limits are being reached are given by the current economic recession which appears to be an inflation as opposed to the previous recession which was deflationary. The warnings from the scientific community regarding the depletion of natural resources are now supported by material expressions according to the law of supply and demand. The prices rise and this achieves what decades of environmentalism could not. No technical juggling with new and more efficient products will remove the old: there are 600 million cars. Trying to produce 600 million new electrical cars cannot be realized.
The transition to the new resulted in chaotic changes in humanity. With the most of it now living in cities they are the biggest losers in this context. The changes will be applicable on three levels: 1) a reduction of social complexity, 2) a decrease in economic and social expertise and finally, 3) a reduction of the interdependence between different geographical areas, i.e., the suspension of “Globalization.” The world will increase in size, at least for the majority of the population.

Three actors play important roles in the “Era of Sparta”: localism, regionalism and what is called for lack of a better expression “Russian-style plutocracy.” These centrifugal forces will in principle attempt to put order to chaos and the opportunities created by this. However, if the state - national or European - is powerless to restore normality the consolidation of these new powers will be a reality that will give new meaning to the phrase “Think globally, act locally”.

The end of the flow of cheap and affordable energy will extinguish the industrial and commercial gigantism. This is the end of consumer society, replaced by a more rural society. The degree of ruralization depends on the degree of damage to commercial circuits. Without chemicals, how far back in time will we go in the absence of artificially synthesized ammonia? New approaches emerge with the social (re) ruralization and with it new political logic, more conservative.

An area where development is unclear is the Internet. Designed as an entity without a center and thus difficult to own, it is of crucial importance to be aware of its characteristics in this Era, as the transmission of information is vital to civilization. Will it be able to adapt to the new scenario? Will it be able to manage the loss of end users and the fact that it will be expensive to maintain and update the system?

Ruralization and difficulties in the transmission of information will have a profound impact on knowledge development: science and its way of thinking depend on and contribute to an urban and open society. Will the decrease in professional expertise allow for creative dissent, mass medicine and more theoretical research in the disciplines?

Since statements regarding the future are full of mystification, we will at first try to give an answer to the question of Panel 5, by identifying similar moments in the past. The fall of the Western Roman Empire seems appropriate to identify some realities in order to understand what “a new era” really means.

Afterwards we will discuss collected scientific data that support the statements made: a body of knowledge already exists about geo-physical phenomena and to some extent about economic phenomena. In this context, Europe has certain advantages. Identifying them will help to mitigate the problems using examples of success in the history of our civilization. It is expected to discern the real “European prospects for the future in a world subject to global hopes and fears and spread even more imminent danger”.

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Aristotle, reflecting on the consequences of the way of life of Sparta of his time said: It is the standards of civilized men not of beasts that must be kept in mind, for it is good men not beasts who are capable of real courage. Those like the Spartans who concentrate on the one and ignore the other in their education turn men into machines and in devoting themselves to one single aspect of city life, end up making them inferior even in that.

The question of how to avoid a similar society in this Era is at the heart of what is discussed here.

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IDEAS OF EUROPE BETWEEN SARMATISM AND SEBASTIANISM: A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

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A FAR DISTANT GLANCE AT EUROPE: CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES FROM AFRICA, INDIA AND CHINA

Vittorio Cotesta

The author examines the critiques of Europe put forward by African or Afro-American (M. Bernal, K. Wiredu, A. Appiah, V. Mudimbe), Indian (above all D. Chakrabarty) and neo-Confucian Chinese intellectuals (Zhao Tingyian).

From the African perspective on Europe, radical critiques are made i.e. the allegation of having annihilated African identity, of having established, through colonialism, a hierarchy of the different peoples in which the Europeans are at the apex and, finally, of having treated the
Africans as ‘not civilized’ people. The ‘African renaissance’ must free Africa from the colonial identity imposed through violence by Europeans and must re-discover Africa’s own authentic values.

Within the ‘African Renaissance, two distinct intellectual paths seem to have emerged in the last two decades - both of which are particularly critical towards Europe. The first of them aims at re-discovering African culture and its own values in order to construct a society respectful of the traditional structures of family and of community. The system of government cannot be taken from the paradigm of European-western representative democracy (and therefore the majority decision principle) but it must necessarily refer to a sort of consociative democracy (as depicted by M. Bernal). The second intellectual path aims instead at de-legitimizing the European pretence of having founded modern civilization thanks to Greece and Rome. The aim of this interpretation - also known as ‘Black Athena’ - is to show that Africa is the cradle of human civilization; to Africa are heavily indebted Greek and Roman civilizations and, through them, the entire western and European culture.

Form the Indian point of view comes a different critique which is summarized by the formula put forward by D. Chakrabarty according to whom it is now necessary to ‘provincialize Europe’. The purpose is not that of showing that Europe no longer has a central place in the world – this is a given historical fact – but rather that of freeing Indian thought of the colonial identity imposed by European domination (in truth British). ‘Provincialize Europe’ is the first step towards the construction of a society in which European and Indian values might meet in a universalistic perspective. In other words, from Chakrabarty’s standpoint emerges the proposal of a dialogue in which European values are assumed as being part of a more general discourse on the comprehension and the construction of a modern Indian society.

The project of Zhao Tinyang aims at reconstructing the neo-Confucian model of civilization. The formula “all that which is under the sky”, which once was applied to China, today must be applied to the whole world. From such a perspective, the world seems unified from the geographic point of view but not from the political one. The political government of the world can be pursued in a neo-Confucian perspective in which decisions are based on the consent of those who are actually involved. Even from this standpoint it emerges that the values of the European-western civilization are only one of the pillars of the construction of a new government of the world.

TRAVEL LITERATURE AS A SOURCE OF TRANSFORMATIONS IN EUROPE

Fernando Cristóvão

The travel literature that flourished in Europe following the fifteenth century and the discoveries of the Portuguese and the Spanish had its stage of glory until the advent of tourism in the nineteenth century and contributed to significant changes in Europe by reporting the news and “curiosities of the Discovery”.

This genre that combines literature, history and anthropology experienced such popularity innumerable collections of travels about cultural, political, religious beliefs, practices and customs of other peoples went out of print. Those works so dear and indispensable that they were also published in small format, to be read on the go, like the Portative Bibliothèque des Voyages in 41 booklets in 18º, in addition to the Atlas Glossaries and well provided with maps and pictures.

This wide-spread and popular literature informed the Europeans about the new world, and had a great influence in several aspects, among others: A new and broader concept of Alterity; the suggestion of social, political, religious changes; changes in habits and customs, ranging from dress to food; a push in favour of herbal medicine and pharmaceuticals for modern pharmacies.

There is a lot to learn in this type of literature to understand the evolution of Europe.


EUROPE: UNITY AND MULTITUDE: **KRONIKA WSZYSTKIEGO ŚWIATA** BY M. BIELSKI AS A GREAT VISION OF OLD CONTINENT

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In 1564 a great masterpiece, “Kronika wszystkiego świata” by Marcin Bielski comes into being. The author aspirated to reconstruct history of world from creation, to his contemporaneity. But “Kronika” is something more, than reconstruction of history. It is also a great reconstruction of contemporary world-map. On this map Europa appears as a one of four great parts of whole Globe. Very detailed descriptions of customs, which dominated Old Continent, let us to see Europe as an universal totality, however no-homogenic totality. Because of fact, that Europe embraces many of various countries, it's appear as a various-culture totality. This dual character of Old Continent: unity and multitude will be main subject of paper.


“AN UNFINISHED ADVENTURE CALLED EUROPE”: BAUMAN, KERTÉSZ AND ŽIŽEK ON EUROPE’S IDENTITY AND FUTURE

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My presentation proposal aims at constructing Europe from a Central European perspective. This perspective has gained topicality since the fall of the Iron Curtain. Yet, in many political, public and academic debates the problems Europe currently faces are still discussed from West-European or Anglo-American points of view. My presentation, therefore, places three Central european thinkers who avidly engage in discourses on Europe at the centre of attention. It seeks to probe the value of a continental, postliberal and humanist tradition in thinking about Europe, exploring ideas of Europe in the works of Zygmunt Bauman (1925), Imre Kertész (1929) and Slavoj Žižek (1949). Focusing on their ideas of freedom, individuality and democracy, my presentation wants to examine what critiques Bauman, Kertész and Žižek offer to European society and politics. Ultimately, the goal is to reveal how thede influential and non conformist intellectuals attempt to restore a cultural and intellectual road towards an alternative Europe.

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CHRISTOPH MARTIN WIELAND – COSMOPLITAN PERPSECTIVES ON EUROPE BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE FRENCH REVOLUTION

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With the French Revolution, an almost millenarian Europe rooted in feudality and based on conservative principles was enduring a fatal coup de grâce, first by a wave of centripetal forces, in the form of revolutionary cosmopolitanism and second, in reaction, a wave of centrifugal forces, in the form of nationalist movements. As Gentz put it in his “Gestörtes Gleichgewicht durch Revolutionskriege”, the age of “Old Europe” based on dynasties, elite culture and balance of power politics had been profoundly shaken, if not destroyed, by the French Revolution and the ensuing international instability. Whereas older models of collective representation, such as guilds and seigniorial loyalties, were rapidly fading and the nation - not to speak of the nation-state - had not yet attained its later hegemonic status as a marker of identity, Europe presented herself in a multifaceted variety of dresses, offering modes of interpretation and alternatives for the future to contemporary witnesses appalled by the pace and scope of social, economic and political change. The importance of the concept of Europe for the end of the eighteenth century is a much neglected aspect in scholarship, although the French Revolution can be considered as the “watershed” in European consciousness. The aim of the present contribution is, by investigating the writings of Christoph Martin Wieland, one of the most emblematic German authors of the time, to establish the importance of the concept of Europe as a source of meaning and object of contested discursive battles during the epistemological turmoil provoked by the structural changes of the Sattelzeit and the socio-political earthquake of the French Revolution.

Wieland’s idea of Europe shall therefore be discussed in its geographical, political, historical, and civilizational dimensions and contrasted to alternative discourses of Europe prominent at the time, notably those of his fellow protagonists of Weimar Classicism. Wieland, the biting social critic, master of rococo literary style and subtle irony, fine connoisseur of human psychology and acknowledged political publicist, indeed thoroughly investigated the mechanisms of the European state-system (Einleitung in die Kenntnis der itzigen Staaten Europas), analyzed their commotion during the French Revolution (Unparteyische Betrachtungen über die dermalige Staatsrevolution in Frankreich, Über Krieg und Frieden, Würdigung der neufränkischen Republik aus zweierlei Gesichtspunkten), extensively commented on the stadial theories of Scottish Enlightenment (Über ungehemmte Ausbildung der menschlichen Gattung), assiduously defended his cosmopolitan world-view (Das Geheimnis des Kos-
mopoliten-Ordens, Das Ideal der Freimaurerei), pungently mocked Rousseau's criticism of progress and civilization (Koxkox und Kikequetzel), explored the relation of Europe to other civilizations (Oberon, Schach Lolo) and, finally, in the Teutscher Merkur suggested his own peace plan to pacify the continent.

Before the French Revolution, Wieland shared Enlightenment's main discourses on the idea of Europe. Subscribing to theories of developmental stages, Wieland was convinced that Europe had attained a higher level of civilization because of its favourable climate, geological specificities and fortunate historical evolution. Although Wieland did not engage into some of the more dubious ethnological debates of his time and stuck to a coherent universal position in anthropological matters, he nevertheless compared Europe favourably to its multifaceted others, be they despotic Asians, indolent Tahitians, or inert Eskimos. Despite his occasional criticism of colonialism, Wieland still believed that Europeans could have a beneficial civilizing effect on the other parts of the world and thus contribute to the construction of Humanität. On the political level, Wieland was a staunch defender of the Westphalian acquis, namely of a multipolar European state-system regulated by balance of power. Wieland was an astute and well-informed observer of the French Revolution and was aware of its importance as a world-historical event. As a self-proclaimed neutral observer, Wieland hoped that the French people would settle for some kind of constitutional monarchy à l'anglaise and that the Revolution would thus be contained to France. As things, however, got out of hands, Wieland became increasingly disillusioned with the French revolutionaries and, in reply, reiterated his cosmopolitanism, fostered German Reichspatriotismus and strongly defended the preservation of Europe's socio-political ties and liberal fundament.

With the paradigm of old aristocratic Europe profoundly shaken after the French Revolution, Wieland thus actively participated in the debates over the reconstruction of the European state-system. In this context, he opposed all forms of universal monarchy, be they based on hegemonic power, universalizing principles or cosmological legitimacy. Although Wieland shared many convictions with his friend Herder, he could not fully subscribe to a Europe of nations; a step that would have seemed too radical to him and partly conflicted with his cosmopolitan ideals. Even though he emphasized the benefits of Germany's imperial constitution and acknowledged the contributions of the German nation to European civilisation, Wieland never subscribed to the kind of messianic patriotism of Fichte and others of his compatriots. Instead, Wieland tried to cope with the challenges raised by the French Revolution with the conceptual arsenal of Enlightenment and cosmopolitanism.

FREEMASONRY, PACIFISM AND LEAGUE OF NATIONS

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One of the main objectives of the European freemasonry has always been the search for freedom and the fight against oppression and war. Therefore, in 1903, they joined the League of Peace and Freedom. In 1905, to reach an understanding and a peaceful solution of international conflicts between nations, mediation and mandatory arbitration were proposed during the Congreso Masónico Peninsular de Lisboa.

Because of the causes and consequences of the 1st World War, the European freemasonry put a special emphasis on its plead for the creation of the International Criminal Court and of the League of Nations, especially because the idea of the freemasonry was and still is to spread fraternalism.

This is one of the reasons why it was of such importance to the freemasons to support the International League of Human Rights, the League of Peace and Fraternalism of the Nations and the League of Peace and Freedom and all others which fought to remove the spectre of injustice and war.

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ONE WORLD, TWO PHILOSOPHICAL TRADITIONS: A COMPARISON OF MARITAIN’S AND KOJEVE’S ARGUMENTS FOR WORLD UNIFICATION AND EUROPEAN INTEGRATION

James Fetter

Jacques Maritain and Alexandre Kojeve, both noteworthy French political philosophers of the early to mid 20th century, agreed on the obsolescence of the modern nation-state and argued that world unification was the only permanent solution to the nation-state’s many inadequacies as an autonomous political unit. However, it would appear that Maritain and Kojeve agree on little else. They are proponents and intellectual heirs of different, even antagonistic philosophical traditions, the Aristotelian/Thomist and Hegelian/Marxist traditions respectively. Indeed, their political philosophies are based on contradictory sets of premises;
Maritain, for example, rejects the Hegelian understanding of the state as having metaphysical priority over the individual, and Kojeve assumes that the modern state has no need of religion, as Maritain argues at length that it does.

In this paper, I trace the arguments through which Maritain and Kojeve claim to derive their justifications for world unification from their respective traditions. As I do so, I also explore the relationship between Maritain's and Kojeve's aforementioned justifications and divergent interpretations of their shared historical context, a relationship of which both thinkers were clearly aware. I then discuss the similarities and differences between their conceptions of the unified world, paying particular attention to their shared commitment to the elimination of global inequalities and their contradictory views concerning the status of currently existing cultures in the unified world. I also discuss Maritain's and Kojeve's contrasting visions of the global political order and their competing proposals for European integration, which both thinkers deemed a necessary precursor to world unification. Maritain favors a federal Europe as well as a degree of autonomy for currently existing nationstates in a global union, while Kojeve advocates for a universal, homogeneous state to be preceded by the sublimation of the states surrounding the Mediterranean into an empire based on a shared history and common cultural traditions. I then turn briefly to the apparent contradiction between Kojeve's advocacy for a Mediterranean Empire and his eventual support for, and involvement in, the European Economic Community.

I conclude by arguing for the relevance of these two competing visions of an integrated Europe and a global political order to current debates about European integration and globalization. Both thinkers make compelling arguments for granting some sovereignty to a European, and ultimately a global, state, but the stark differences between their conceptions of this state on both the European and global level also brings into focus the alternatives toward which we ought to aim as we design pan-European and global institutions. Furthermore, both thinkers lead us to examine the philosophical justifications for these institutions and, depending on our current philosophical allegiances, to determine whether we have a basis for defending our preferred plan for European or global unification.


BEING THE FACE OF EUROPE OR BRINGING UP THE REAR: IDEAS OF EUROPE IN PORTUGAL, 16TH TO 18TH CENTURY

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The perception of Europe in Portuguese Culture as well as the vision of the position and role of Portugal in the continent of which it is part, suffered a significant evolution since the beginning of Modernity until the Enlightenment.

The understanding of this transformation of the Portuguese look on Europe, set out in the intimate and parallel relation together with the evaluation of its historical drifts, is decisive to grasp the present political “behaviours”, social and cultural reactions in the sight of the European Union project and the Portuguese role in the integration process.

Our communication tries to present and analyse in a concise way the evolution of the idea of Europe in Portugal from the Discoveries period to Pombalin Enlightenment, pointing out the first representative documents that confirm that vision and mark its metamorphic evolution.

We will also attempt to establish an ideographic typology of this image construction process of a continent, which is perceived both in a relation of separation and approaching.

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GERMANY, EUROPE AND THE MEDITERRANEAN

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Since the foundation of the Federal Republic in 1949 the attention of German politicians and political scientists was directed to the West in order to promote progress in reconciliation and integrations and to the East to prevent the worst possible conflict. Geographers, for their part, could not make research east of the iron curtain and were not in a similar manner interested in countries west of the FRG. They largely preferred Southern Europe and other Mediterranean countries. They made research on many topics, but not on geopolitical issues. In Germany, unlike other countries, there remains nearly a taboo on geopolitics up to now as long as publications do not follow a critical and deconstructing reasoning. So we must conclude
that in politics there is still a lack of attention to the South and in regional geography there is a lack of attention to politics. Very probably this state of affairs is not helpful for the European societies in the long run.

Certainly, since 1995 the so-called Barcelona process was considered to promote euro-Mediterranean partnership, but results remained deplorably meager. The persistent tensions and conflicts between the Arab states and Israel have been considered the main obstacle. Since 2001 the role of the US in the Mediterranean on the other side of the EU borders has become more dominant than ever before. Even senior politicians of Brussels and of individual EU states have recently appeared like supernumeraries.

Considering the expected demographic evolution, the persistent wealth gap and the widespread discontent of populations on the one hand, the resources in fossil and renewable energy and market potential on the other hand, it seems to be advisable to give more positive attention to the Arab countries. They are far away from the US and may be regarded there as potential enemies in a war of civilizations. But for Europeans they are – along with the successor states of the former Soviet Union - the closest neighbors and populations should not feel to be met with repulse. Unfortunately, the efforts of the French President Sarkozy and colleagues of Southern Europe to improve relations that had led to the new Union for the Mediterranean have been strongly contradicted by Israel’s warfare against the so-called Gaza strip only half a year later. This may give an impulse to reconsider the attitude of the EU as to the so-called Near East conflict that cannot be isolated from the Muslim world, the Mediterranean and the EU.

Certainly, British and statesmen French have the burden of imperialist history that lasted until the retreat from Palestine and Algeria and the war for dominance over the Suez Canal that has been started jointly with Israel in 1956. For other historical reasons, German politicians feel obliged to keep special relations to that state. Leaders of these three big countries should join with politicians of EU member-states that do not stir distrust on any side. They should try to work out a Mediterranean policy characterized by strength and – most important – by allegiance to human and international laws that that belong to the best parts of European heritage.

Hellmuth James von Moltke, one of the key figures of the German resistance movement against the Hitler regime, envisioned that “the end of the war will provide an opportunity for a positive reshaping of the world as mankind has not experienced since the disintegration of the medieval church.”

Based on a comparative analysis of the plans developed by the various resistance groups in Germany (e.g. the Kreisau circle) and German-occupied Europe for a post-war European order, this essay will examine the relevance of their visions in the context of the current challenges faced by the EU. Through a comparative study of the Europe visions of the German, Italian, French, Dutch, and Polish resistance and by contrasting them with the European order established after the war, the following questions will be examined in detail: What are the commonalties, what are the differences between the various Europe concepts that were developed and discussed between 1940 and 1945? Which values were suggested as the core values (Grundwerte) for the new European order? How important was the goal of political unification (federation, political union) versus sectoral economic integration in the Europe visions of the resistance? How did these plans impact the integration process after 1945?

Since Lipgens’ compilation of the Europe plans of the European resistance in the late 1960s, this topic has only received very little attention by historians of European integration. I will argue that despite their specific time-bound context (Zeitgebundenheit) as direct reactions to the Nazi regime and the occupation of Europe during the Second World War, the Europe visions of the various resistance groups are of particular relevance today, as many of them amounted to general conceptions of Europe that are timeless in their application. Although they addressed organizational issues as well, their main focus was on the core values on which the Europe of the future should be built. It is particularly through this common focus on the core values of an integrated Europe at a time of severe crisis, that the Europe plans of the European resistance against Hitler hold the potential of offering important insights into how to overcome the main challenge facing the European Union today - the need to transform Europe from a primarily economic community to a more comprehensive political union by means of “constitutionalization”.

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WHY AND HOW SHOULD EUROPEAN LITERATURE BE TAUGHT IN EUROPE?
SOME IDEAS AND A MODEST PROPOSAL

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This paper will argue, from three integrated perspectives (theoretical, pedagogical and pragmatic) the need of teaching European Literature in Europe as a way of constructing an European Cultural Identity. It will deal with the definition, present and future challenges and problematics of Literature, European Literature and Comparativism, as well as the interactions between National/Inter-National Language, Literature and Culture. Finally, it will be exposed some ideas and a modest proposal as a contribution to a further debate.

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COMING TO TERMS WITH HISTORIES: COMMUNISM AND NAZISM IN TRANSBOUNDARY HISTORICAL CULTURE

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The paper analyzes the treatment in historiography and the public sphere after 1989 of experiences of the Second World War, the Holocaust and post-war communist rule in neighbouring countries in Central and East-Central Europe. The traumatic experiences pitted history writing and public commemorations of the war and of events during the communist period one against the other in a number of “pair countries”, i.e. in cases where people who identified with one state perceived this state to be a victim and citizens of the neighbouring states perpetrators. In addition to this, the chosen “pairs” have an experience of conflicts over border areas and the situation of national minorities in those areas in the past, especially in the interwar period, during the Second World War and until recent times. The “pairs” that are chosen are Germany-Poland, Hungary-Romania and Ukraine-Russia. The relevant territories are Pomerania/Ziemie Odzyskane, Ostpreussen/Warmia I Mazury and Schelsien/Slask in the first case, Transilvania/Erdely in the second and the Crimea in the third.
The main focus is on recent developments: how historiography, mass culture (films and newspapers) and political actors have treated these issues: are there trends promoting understanding, reconciliation and understanding that history must be "shared"? Are there trends creating or sustaining embitterment, enmity and alienation?

The normative foundation of the project is that the paper will conclude by suggesting how a shared, common understanding of history might be promoted and how conflicting interpretations of traumatic historical events may be superseded.


BACK TO THE ROOTS – EMOTIONALIZING EUROPE

Martin Gerner

Europe and particularly the European Union reflect an unprecedented development worldwide. Admiration on the success of the European model is globally shared. In order to accomplish present and future expectations and challenges Europe has to act consensually. This implies both the representation and participation of all European stakeholders, including governments, institutions and the people, of course. Yet, citizens are not sufficiently involved. Awareness and emotional commitment are deficient. This paper outlines the importance of personal affection regard to European integration and proposes an in-depth debate on respective strategies. Status quo Economically and politically speaking Europe has undoubtedly been a success story. Hitherto in public perception benefits at least equalized major concerns. Travelling freely, paying with one common currency and trading without borders
are just few examples of individual advantages on Europe. From the very beginning of Euro-
pean integration the vision of Europe has been shaped by high-ranking, charismatic and
er elder statesmen being fully aware of responsibility and good will. Unquestionably those ef-
forts have been ambitious, beneficial and successful in terms of economic, political, societal
and cultural integration for the whole continent.

Concerns
The history of European integration has always been following a top-downapproach, the only
way to address the difficult founding background in the 1950’s, for sure. However, the idea of
trickle-down effects into society failed: Still citizens’ participation and democratic representa-
tion are under-developed. Meanwhile the political and economic processes within European
Union are almost completely disconnected from the people. Public interest on European is-
Sues is on permanent decline. There are few opportunities to really get in touch with Europe,
literally speaking. Parliamentary elections, for instance, don’t meet the expectations at all.
People do neither know nor bother what to vote for. That’s what opinion polls and voter turn-
outs on the constitutional reform clearly support.

Consequences
Europe has been developing into something abstract, invisible and untouchable. Its image is
thoroughly ambiguous. In public perception means of technical regulation and bureaucracy
appear to be far more important than peoples’ representation, participation and commonly
shared values of European citizenship. Scarcely speaking, the concept of Europe tends to be
made up without its citizens. Resignation is followed by missing emotional commitment to-
wards Europe and the European Union. The best marketing instruments are subject to fail if
the target group is not directly affected at all, because images are not manageable and easily
marketable top-down.

Challenges
Facing the future Europe is on a crossroad. First and foremost the European Union must be
based upon the needs of its citizens. Institutions serve the people, not vice versa. In first
place people have to get emotionally acquainted with the idea of Europe. In order to face
future challenges a consensus is necessary with respect to participation, democratization
and active citizenship. For this reason European Union has to step back to its roots explain-
ing and communicating that Europe primarily is about the people. That is why respective top-
ics have to be brought closer to citizens in order to affect them individually: Why do we need
Europe and the European integration process? What is it good for? How does it affect us
personally?

Proposals
The intention of the presentation is to outline strategies of how to get people emotionally in-
volved with European affairs and issues by introducing different bottom-up approaches and
existing initiatives. Particular attention will be drawn to the needs and necessities of younger
generations and their commitment for Europe referring to good practice examples for educa-
tion on Europe at schools.

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THE FUTURE OF EUROPE: HOW TO OVERCOME EXISTING TEMPTATIONS?
(REFLECTIONS OF AN INTELLECTUAL OF BALKANS)

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Due to the fact that the future of the European project represents a true progress for each
country, it is inevitable:

a) That this progress is a varied one. Europe is not only the economy, the market and
the improvement of the material existence of people, nor the effective political consensus; it
is also the cultural model which radiates with its universalism, its spiritual and moral values,
and social equality. Only such a Europe would appeal magnetically to all the other parts of
our planet. To achieve such universality it is necessary that Europe raises the question:
Where do we want to place Russia, country whose territory is to a great extent geographi-
cally part of Europe; a country also with its inestimable cultural values.

b) That in order to stimulate these ideas Europe needs to overcome the gap between
economic and technological development and the undeniable delay in the morals and spiri-
tual achievements, that has resulted in the deep current crisis.

c) That the European Community reflects on the collapse of the Yugoslav community
and its consequences: six small republics isolated one from the other; the challenges of po-
litical transition; nationalistic passions, separatist tendencies and religious phantasms. The
advent of political pluralism and the parliamentary democracy in Balkans was carried out in
the most cases by the emergence of new parties on ethnic basis, which is the source of the
serious conflicts which prevailed in these areas.

d) That culture should be more valued. In the programmes of any political party in Bal-
kans and in Macedonia culture is in the last item that is described with some sentences of
general order.

e) That we are aware of the exceptional orientation towards the past which ignites a “speed-
ing-up of the historical process” having often the form of “violation of the history”.

f) That we are aware of the threat of new ideologies which prevent the democratic de-
velopment. The case of Macedonia which proclaimed its independence and its autonomy
after 1990 can illustrate this: advantages of post-communist achievements, but also great
difficulties of an underdeveloped, multiethnic, and multicultural country.

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EUROPE AS OTHER IN CONTEMPORARY BALKAN LITERATURES

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The Balkans are a region where different images of the world have continuously been offered, as well as different points of view regarding the idea of Europe itself. The richness comes from the diversity of nations, people, languages and cultures which is the basic characteristic of this particular region. However, some ideas have already grown as a "regional" concept, created and developed within the above mentioned diversity.

Although the Balkans belong to Europe, both geographically and historically, from the moment the concept of "Other Europe" was invented for them, the distinction was already made. Usually seen by the Europeans as Others, the Balkan people started to create their own idea of Europe as Other.

Balkan nations have mostly supported the idea of Europe, as a dream, desire or reality, longing to join (or to return to) the big European family. Some of them have recently become member states of European Union; others are still waiting their turn. But, another concept is also present, very close to the idea of Occidentalism, created as an answer of Edward Said's Orientalism or Maria Todorova's Balkanism. This is mostly related to the new social circumstances during the post communist period of transition. Different stereotypes and prejudices of Europe have been created, and can easily be found in literature works, too.

We are dealing in our paper with some of these imaginary concepts, which are present in different works of fiction, published in the last few years in several Balkan countries: Macedonia, Serbia, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, Albania and Turkey.

THE PRINCIPLE OF TRANSPARENCY AND THE EUROPEAN IDENTITY

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In the last century, the bureaucratic State has gradually evolved to a more and more transparent State. Today, almost all countries of Europe and the world recognise or are asked to recognise to everyone the right of access to any information, in the possession or held on behalf of public bodies and entities. The right of access usually comprises the rights of consultation, reproduction as well as access to information and to the documents’ content. Nevertheless, the politicians and States continue being accused of opacity and secrecy. Among the present leading political tasks, in Europe as in other parts of the world, we find the enhancement and enforcement of the principle of transparency. The Treaty of Amsterdam enacted it in the European Union, and a Council of Europe Convention on Access to Official Documents has been adopted (on 27 November 2008). The main purpose of these initiatives is clearly to extend geographically the establishment of the principle of transparency. Of course we cannot forget all the national diversities about the meaning of the principle of transparency. In this context, it is certainly important to analyse the accuracy of the proposition, relatively common, that the principle of transparency is and should be an essential characteristic of Europe and of the European Union.

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HOW TO DEAL WITH EUROPEAN INTEGRATION: WRITING NSD 68, NEW EVIDENCE REVEAL INTERNAL DISCORDS IN THE NIXON WHITE HOUSE

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What should U.S. policy be with respect to European unification? That question has been a source of concern for each U.S. administration since World War II. No other administration faced with more difficulty in defining its policy towards European integration than the Nixon White House. Due to internal battles, the Nixon administration engaged itself in an unprecedented exercise that resulted in the drafting of a National Security Directive (NSD 68) devoted to relations with the European Community. This proposal aims to explore the various factors that culminated in the reformulation of US policy towards Europe. Also, it proposes to provide the reader with an interpretation of the clashes in doctrine between the Nixon ad-
administration and various U.S. federal agencies. Finally, it explains why there have been few changes in this doctrine since its inception in 1970.

The study relies heavily on documents issued by the National Security Council and also on recently declassified archives from various federal U.S. agencies. It is also based on documents obtained under the Freedom of Information Act. Finally, it is enriched by a series of personal interviews given by persons intimately aware of the drama that lead to the formation of NSD 68 and which fills in the gaps that the written documentation lacks.

Overall, the study shows the change in attitude of the Nixon presidency to European unity compared with that of the Kennedy and Johnson eras. Skepticism in trade relations between the EEC and the U.S. fed the lack of faith in the Nixon administration towards European unity. In fact, the U.S. administration seems almost overwhelmed by the economic dynamism of Europe.

It is therefore not surprising that the United States reformulated their European policy through the National Security Directive 68 (NSD), which emphasizes the defense of American interests. This study reveals the end of American innocence in relation to European unity and a return to “American interests” and probably the real emergence of the European Community as a center of power in the Euro-American couple, a goal reached in the late 70s when Monnet disappeared, who had widely been regarded as the prophet in the Kennedy years.

Furthermore, the study confirms that this change in attitude of successive American administrations in the 70 and 80's vis-à-vis European integration was fuelled more by economic considerations than by the developments of the cold war, which goes against the dominant American historiography.

Through the study of the drafting process of NSD 68, one can observe the American decision-making process and also get acquainted with those “Europhiles” and “Europhobics” within the U.S. government. The inter-governmental struggles throughout this time testify to the “creeping personalization” of the decision making process inside the Nixon administration.

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“SOS EUROPA” – CULTURAL PESSIMISM IN ESSAYS ON EARLY 20TH CENTURY EUROPA
Since antiquity men have tried to escape the process of civilisation by concentrating on moral integrity and simplicity instead. In the late 19th century the concept of cultural pessimism was established as an antidote for the prevalent belief in progress. Cultural pessimism is generally perceived as a philosophical and critical valuation which designates the development of culture as a process of decadence and deterioration. According to Stern (1963) the idea of cultural pessimism received the highest attention in Germany at the beginning of the 20th century. Oswald Spengler, for example, denoted civilisation as the final, petrifying, noncreative phase of a major culture. In his book *The Decline of the West* (1918-1923) Spengler criticised civilisation as the implacable doom of culture and referred to it as the extreme and most artificial state men could bear.

At the same time literary authors began to discover Europe as a topic. Especially during World War I and afterwards they expressed not only their fears of a cultural decline but also their desire for an enduring peace through a European unification. In the interwar years ideas of Europe circulated around the ambitious goal to create the ‘United States of Europe’ on the one hand, while on the other authors threw a critical glance at the intellectual condition of the European continent (Lützeler, 1992). In this paper several texts taken from different genres shall illustrate that despite pessimistic views of human civilisation authors also show interesting positive visions of Europe.

In his essay “Europa” (1920) Rudolf Pannwitz particularly addressed to the German youth which, having been defeated in World War I, in his view, represented the only force to help shape a European Empire (Europäisches Reich). Corresponding to the prevalent idea of youth as a revitalising spirit, Pannwitz argued that only young people were able to revive traditional European values. According to Pannwitz, a strong Europe that recalled its rich intellectual tradition without succumbing to modern ideologies such as capitalism or bolshevism could prevent what the author perceived as a spiritless modernism and materialism.

In his play *Europa. Untergang oder Neubau. Volkssprechspielchor* (1926) Alfred Auerbach pleaded for action in order to save Europe from decline. Auerbach presented different choirs which try to motivate the audience: ‘the choir of the dumb’ supports the upper class, ‘the choir of capitalists’ believe to be more intelligent and therefore able to release everybody from misery, ‘the choir of revolutionists’ attempts to seduce the youth which however prefers to follow the military. A chaos of different ideologies erupts and governs the scene, a personified death figure enters the stage and guffaws: ‘Europe dies!’. In the end a speaker comments on the events and concludes that Europe can only exist, if the ignorance of the people would be eradicated.

Oskar Ebner von Ebenthall called attention to the decadence of the Indo-European culture in his book *SOS Europa* (1930). In his view contemporary political life rested on the false ideals
of a pedantic nationalism, which ranked the nation as the highest authority and degraded the individual. Therefore, Europe was in a latent state of war because it perceived war as a natural necessity. Ebner von Ebenthall criticised that the youth was trained to militarism and regarded this as a path to a general cultural degeneration.

In his essay “Achtung, Europa!” (1938) Thomas Mann bewailed the decline of European culture and warned against the ‘revolution of the masses’. According to Mann, Europe was endangered by the ascendancy of a populace that was unaware of any intellectual values the cultural elites represented. Mann described the constitution of Europe as atrocious, warned against the prevalent cult of war and the risk of dethronement of spirit and reason.

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POST-MODERN REQUIREMENTS OF IDENTITY FOR EUROPE

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Proposed paper will focus upon problems of trying to apply traditional concept of identity on the present social conditions of heterogeneous multicultural Europe. As history shows, this understanding of identity offers only temporary solution for permanent problem of tension between individual and collective self.

Post-modern approach to identity offers not only criticism of the old views of identity, but also helps to develop alternative answers. Minimal identity as described by Klaus Eder can be developed into coherent view based upon Renan’s daily plebiscite. Ongoing open discourse serves not to facilitate search for stable enumerative definition of identity, but to enable identity to shift. Post-national identity does not exclude or divide people into in- and outsiders. Such a continuous questioning and reflexivity hinders identity, as Derrida suggested, to be identical with itself and enables thus individual to emancipate within heterogeneous society. Not only to welcome the otherness in order to integrate it within the majority, but to accept the otherness as such can and should serve as the key European principle in relations with the rest of the world. Reflexive power, emancipation and respect for otherness make future of European identity and idea possible and appealing at the same time.

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DISCOVERING AND SELF-DISCOVERING. EUROPEAN LITERATURE AND EUROPEAN CONSCIOUSNESS IN THE EARLY MODERN TIMES

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Even before there is a political concept for Europe, we already find protagonists in European literature who can be defined as Europeans, discovering and developing a certain consciousness of belonging to a unique culture, common to European peoples inspite of all differences, and making a difference to what had been discovered abroad. This early European consciousness can be described as the discovery of the own by the discovery of the foreign cultures, mostly unknown before. Our analyses will focus on three classical texts of the European tradition, on the Portuguese Luís de Camões' Os Lusíadas as the first design of a European view of non-European cultures, on Thomas Mores Utopia as an attempt to invent itself in the openness of a New World and finally on Hans Jakob Christoffel von Grimmelshausen's Simplicissimus as a strange mirror of European experience, the will to criticize and the need to overcome its hostile diversity.


HUBS OF EUROPEAN MODERNISM 1890 – 1960

Cecilia Hansson

The development of European modernism in literature and art is, according to my hypothesis, the result of actual, physical, encounters in space and time. Such encounters formed a number of creative think-tanks, which can be pinpointed to specific places and people at a certain time.

The hubs, places of proximities or springboards, originally a concept from the field of human and economic geography, I will concentrate on are Berlin, Zürich and Paris. These three cities have shown an almost magnetic appeal to artists and writers over time, in contrast to otherwise comparable places like London or New York.
What is specific for the hubs mentioned above, is that the people involved withdrew from their individual nationality or background culture, in order to pursue an experimental and borderless ‘society of arts’.

By using Pierre Bourdieu’s thoughts on symbolic fields, and Torsten Hägerstrand’s concept of time geography, it will be possible to trace and encircle a specific European modernism, where common ideals related to ideas and methods take precedence over nationality, national culture and language.

Finally, I will argue the importance of place as centre of information processing and exchange (Manuel Castells) and of the cultural field (Bourdieu), as decisive for the success and spreading of the modernist movement.

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EUROPE SEEN FROM AFAR: ON SOME TOPICS AND ISSUES IN THE ACCOUNTS OF TRAVELLERS FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD

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European accounts and descriptions of other continents have been thoroughly scrutinized through many generations of critical scholarship. In my presentation, I would like to draw attention to the various traditions of travel writing in the opposite direction flourishing particularly through the nineteenth century in both China and Japan, South Asia and the different parts of the Islamic world. Trying to look more closely at some of the topics and issues common to these otherwise unrelated traditions of travel writing I hope to arrive at a better understanding of what Europe has meant to the rest of world.


EUROSCEPTICISM IN EUROPA

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Concerns about a “democratic deficit” and the distance between European elites and publics have come to be a common feature of European politics. As a consequence, Euroscepticism has become part of the terrain of conflict between political parties across Europe. For some authors, Euroscepticism represents one of the great recipes for success of the new anti-establishment parties in the European Union, opposing Europeanization and globalization and occupying some fields of policy along the globalism/nationalism cleavage. In my research, I want to analyze how and in which extent Euroscepticism plays a role in the European party systems. Are there connections existing between eurosceptic parties and the political and economic dimension? According to some empirical surveys, the supranational process of integration has only a marginal effect on the national party systems.

However, eurosceptic attitudes and critical views on globalization find more and more approval in the member countries of the European Union. In my analysis I want to concentrate on two new potential social movements: the left-wing and anti-globalization network “Attac” (which was originally a single issue movement against the Tobin tax) and the right-wing extremism in both Western and Eastern Europe, having temporarily confederated in the European Parliament in 2007.


EUROPE AND THE OTHER: ROOTS OF A EUROPEAN IDENTITY IN GRECO-ROMAN ANTIQUITY

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It is a well-known fact that the modern concept of Europe as such cannot be traced back to classical antiquity: The Egean Sea and the Hellespont were never an important cultural and/or political frontier. A major part of what we today call “Europe” always remained outside the Greco-Roman sphere of interest. Finally, the recourse on a “European” identity remained a purely literary phenomenon and in late antiquity “Europe” could even be used as a designation for a pretty small geographical area in Thrace. However, when taking a closer look at the few examples for a more inclusive construction of an "Euro-pan" identity, it becomes evident that these appear always in a polemical context, which is characterized by an antithetical opposition between Europe and Asia. This can be observed above all in Herodotus’
description of the Persian Wars. It is also relevant however, that Philip of Macedon – just before begin-ning a war against the Persian Empire – named his daughters Europe and Asia and that the historian Theopompus praised the same Philip as the “greatest man of Europe”. In these contexts Europeanness was defined primarily through hostility towards an oriental Other, who was perceived as despotic/slavish, luxurious and effeminate. This construct was reified through a theory of climatic determination of charac-ter and culture, which provided a scientific explanation and justification for the postulated superiority of Europe (especially Greece) over Asia. The Romans did not adopt the concept of “Europe”, but they continued to exploit propagandistically the opposition to Asia and the Orient. The emperor Augustus for example staged a reenactment of the battle of Salamis in Rome after he had won a diplomatic success against the Parthians as the major power of the East in his days. Even if the Romans did not use the name “Europe”, their concept of the “Occident” in fact preserved the core of a rudimentary “European” identity as found in Greek authors. The name “Europe” was revived only by pope Pius II. after the fall of Constantinople. Again, we find European identity defined in polemical antagonism to an Oriental enemy. This was, of course, an intention-onal recourse on ancient discourse by the pope who – as an established humanist scholar – was well acquainted with the ancient sources. It remains true that the classical tradition does not help us much in defining, where Europe is. However, through the antithesis Europe-Asia the modern idea of what Europe should be does indeed owe some important elements to antiquity.


**SENTIMENTAL EUROPE**

Pedro B. Homem

The discussion that is presently taking place about the legal framing of the European Union cannot be confused with query on the future of Europe. The fundamental aim of this commu-nication is that the soul of Law cannot be crushed by a legal technique based on convenience and that dialogue between peoples, mutual acquaintance and a cosmopolitan notion of
belonging to a common world are necessary – prior to putting forwards a new legal architecture of the European Union.

The legal approach cannot be blind to values and cannot forget the lessons of History, the spirit of past generations that must guide us in an era of reconstruction of a common identity. To vanquish the fears of irrational factors which always returned in times of violence and economic crisis, is a task that must be achieved based in feelings of belongings, identity and citizenship that cannot forget the loving ties between the peoples and the persons.

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UMA IDEA DE EUROPA COMO IDEAL DE ELITE PARA PORTUGAL

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INTELLECTUAL ELITE AND EUROPEAN IDEA IN POST-COMMUNIST ROMANIA

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The end of the totalitarian regimes in the east of Europe firstly offered, in addition of liberties and rights for peoples, the best occasion to think at the large game of possibilities opened to eastern inhabitants. Intellectual elite, well-knowing the European culture and spirituality, made not exception in its very positive attitude to the European values or ideas. The intellectuals’ debates on European principles and ideals, on the compatibility between Romanian realities and mentalities and the European standards and ideals knew although some variations in the course of time.

So, the purpose of our conference will be to meet in evidence the principal directions and evolutions of public debate in respect of that is considered to have European importance or connotations. Beside these aspects, we are interested to point out those ideas that could bring a different or even a new approach of some European old or new ideas, values, ideals, principles or standards.
The still open question is: has the “new Europe” the capacity to enrich, to improve, to develop the European ideas, values or principles? Has the “new Europe” the ability to develop or to improve the standards of the European Union? We, at the academically level, we are hoping to find positive answers...


EUROPE AND A MEMORY OUT OF STONE

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Speaking about ‘Europe’, an important topic often is common history. What connects and keeps together collectives of any kind is their shared memory. The past and especially the reconstruction of the past are fundamental, to individuals as well as to communities. The ‘collective memory’, a well-known term discussed by Maurice Halbwachs derived great popularity over the last decades, especially in cultural and social sciences. It’s been emphasized that memory plays an important role in creating a sense of identity. To follow this idea, a ‘collective Europe’ ought to be based on a collective European memory. To emerge such a memory, the participation of the members of a society is demanded. It is them who reconstruct the past and give it a meaning in the presence.

One way of analyzing what this collective memory of a social group is about, is the study of ‘practices of memory’. One form of these ‘practices’ are, without any doubt, memorials. Our research is founded in a qualitative study about memorials in the so called ‘Alpen-Adria-Region’ (‘Alps-Adriatic Region’). We focus on the analysis of war memorials located in the cities Klagenfurt (in Carinthia), Ljubljana (in Slovenia) and Trieste (in Italy). The research in the aforementioned area turns out to be interesting particularly with regard to the ‘European
Idea': our research is not only about three nation states that border on each other, but on three different cultural and linguistic areas that are connected through the idea of being a ‘Alpen-Adria-Region’. Furthermore, the three cities belonged not too long ago to the same kingdom, the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy. After the fall of the monarchy, the boundaries in this area were hard-fought, and long time fought for. Some parts of the boundaries as they exist today were not specified until 1975. As well significant is the unequal development of the states after 1945: Italy is a founding member of the European Community, whereas Slovenia (as a successor state of the socialistic Yugoslavia) gained full membership to the European Union in 2002.

Our main topic is to ask if there is a potential collective memory in this core region, that could be the basis of a ‘European thinking’. Our data encompasses around 2500 photo-graphs of almost 100 monuments, which were taken between during a period of nearly six month. We do qualitative analysis on this data. In our research we intend to look for the existence of a cross-border cultural memory. This leads to the question: is there somewhat like a ‘European memory’, that goes beyond political rhetorics? And, if yes, what does that mean for the (potential) constitution of a ‘European Identity’?


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THE VISION OF EUROPE IN POLISH LITERATURE AGAINST A BACKGROUND OF OTHER SLAVIC LITERATURES AND ITS CONSEQUENCES FOR THE FUTURE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

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In the awareness of the Poles, the renewal of the foundation act of Europe in the period of democratic transformation is taking place thanks to, i.a. the visions proposed by Z. Kubiak.
(Brewiarz Europejczyka /The Breviary of a European/, 1998), by Piotr Kuncewicz, Master Freemason of Grand Orient in Poland (Legenda Europy /The Legend of Europe/, 2005) and the ecumenical homilies by Pope John Paul II (see: "The European Act" proclaimed in Santiago de Compostella, 1982 and others)

All the mentioned, divergent authors considered the access of Poland to Europe unambiguously as a return "home", i.e. the spiritual homeland of the Poles and the final departure from the range of Russian tyranny and despotism.

The attitude expressed by the Czechs (the most westerly outpost of Slavdom) and the Slovaks is not so unambiguous. Both countries had been for long strongly enrooted in Pan-Slavism (the conservative ideas of uniting all Slavs under the aegis of Russia). This is also the reason why in his 700-pages long essay Czechs in New History (1991), Podiven inaugurates the revival of the foundation act of Europe from undermining this historical memory. Earlier, J. Patočka accomplished this feat.

Russia, in the wake of its first enchantment with western democracy, is witnessing increasingly strong Pan-Slavic conservative ideas connected with a return to pochvennichestvo (A. Solzhenitsyn), the revival of the Orthodox empire, the so-called Third Rome and an apology of "eternal Russia", the immortal cosmic power (Y. Mamleyev).

In the dystopia proposed by A. Zinoviev (The Global Human Hill, 2000) the society of the future is depicted as a super-monstrosity created in the interest of the countries belonging to the Western Union, while in Polish dystopies this role is played by Russia and the cruel Chinese. Only the European Union is shown as a state, which observes humanitarian norms and cares for its members, even the most peripheral ones.

A counter-balance for this vision of imperial Russia is to be found in Russian postmodernism, which leads to a deabsolutisation, relativisation and desacralisation of assorted monopolistic national and world conceptions and opposes all authoritarian ideas (V. Pielevin, V. Sorokin, V. Yerofieyev).

Today, the so-called Balkans, predominantly in the former Yugoslavia, are a veritable Pandora's box filled with dynamics of grief, despair, anger, resentments and grudges against themselves and the world (i.e. the West) due to the disintegration of the multinational and multicultural country into a number of small independent states that, according to D. Ugresić, are a totalitarian nature. Nostalgia for the multicultural Yugoslavia flows in an extensive tide in literature, and the nations of the former Yugoslavia see its revival and stability in the European Union, whose statute mentions respect for the minorities. The Yugoslav Slavia Orthodoxa and Slavia Islamica cast a shadow on these strivings.

Against this roughly outlined Slavonic background and despite the opinions voiced by the Eurosceptics, Polish literary vision or rather a myth of Europe appears to be a monolith in the recognition of (Western) Europe as Poland’s home. This is a foundation for further undertak-
ings, which should seek a new formula of Union patriotism, however, without the rejection of own national or Slav identity. The Union, on the other hand, must devise such a community model, which would make it possible to institutionally involve a larger number of its inhabitants in the solution of assorted Union questions, so that all could feel that they are its citizens and be filled with pride and joy.


THE PRINCIPLE OF A SOCIAL WELFARE STATE FOR THE EUROPEAN HEALTH MARKET LEGAL ECONOMIC CONSIDERATIONS ON HEALTHCARE-RELATED ORDER PLACED BY THE EU

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The health markets of member states of the European Union (EU) are undergoing transformation in the aftermath of the deregulation, liberalization and privatization of public institutions. A paradigm shift from a fulfilment to a guarantee state can be seen as gaining precedence over the image of the “Slim State”. It is questionable in the face of this development if and in what scope the state is losing its impact on the public structure in the health system and by implication, unable to live up to its obligations of involvement in services of public interest. Indeed, the state usually pulls back from services of public interest in a specific market segment only if the continuation of such services is guaranteed by any other means. On the other hand, it is expected – in the event of failure in market mechanisms and impending drop in supply standards – to be in a position to resume as well as safeguard such public services once again. In a transformation to the guarantee state, the question is inevitably asked if such a transformation process translates at the same time, into an obligation on the part of the EU to create a (buffering compensatory) framework for community projects to enable member states live up to their service mandate towards their own citizens in the area of health services under changed conditions.

Research question
At the centre of research efforts was the question if the (partial) transfer of the public service mandate of the state to the EU and its institutions following a general pattern of withdrawal from public service structures on the part of member states is possible and reasonable, and also without a constitutional framework on the basis of the uniformed visions of the imple-
mentation of a “European principle of Social welfare state” in the emergence of a common health market.

Scope of investigations Linked with the question of the safeguard of social benefits, the consideration of government duties in the healthcare system is implicitly based on the thesis that there could have been no such provision on the said safeguards in the constitutions of member-states. The principle of social welfare state in Germany is thus, understood as a creative mandate for lawmakers authorising and obliging them to shape and influence society in the interest of social justice. This mandate is however subjected to double reservation: the reservation of the ‘feasible’ which is particularly characterised as the reservation of the ‘financially feasible’, whereas the reservation of the ‘will to act’ is truly determinant, when it comes to the creative room for manoeuvre available to lawmakers in the exercise of the mandate. The principle is thus characterised by components of openness and dynamics. On the contrary, it is hardly reconcilable with the closed structure of a social ‘conservation of the status quo’ in the healthcare system. Impulses for the emergence of a European health market can be created by the openness and dynamics of such a principle. On the other hand, the conflict of safeguarding social benefits offers the opportunity for member-states to adapt to European developments in the health market in good time in order to be able to exhaust the potentials of the health sector in the national health system on a longterm basis. At the same time, it offers the opportunity of taking on the issue of constitutional principles in social, health and other policies of the EU. Objectives of the thesis and course of investigation Understood as an open and dynamic principle, the public service mandate of the state in the health system will require complementation as an uncertain legal terminology. The conflict of reservations in respect of the ‘feasible’ and the ‘desired’ in the principle of the social welfare state and the resultant barriers of exercising fundamental rights in the field of health and social systems is expected to manifest on the basis of the fundamental principles of legal economy (analysis of legal consequences and real consequences). This does not only facilitate the analysis of the behaviour of actors on the European market scene for public service benefits based on the rational model, such that a clue is provided for the ‘desired’ and the weighting of the targets (application of the positive economic theory of law on the shaping of the reservation of the ‘desired’). At the same time, the opportunity of talking about efficiency in a second step, is presented in the implementation of the public service mandate that was vividly made manifest (in the first step) in the aftermath thereof, because efficient action will always have to be demanded at all times in the interest of public service safety, upon the acceptance of the public service mandate (application of the normative theory of law on the firm establishment of the reservation of the ‘feasible’, in the implementation of the creative mandate of shaping and influencing social order). As far as the vision of an efficient health system has then been described in detail as a common objective, the analysis of legal and real consequences then
provides an option in a third step, of acquiring and preparing such information as relates to
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EUROPEAN IDENTITY IN CURRENT SPANISH LIFE: AN ANALYSIS OF VARIOUS EXAMPLES OF HOLOCAUST REMEMBERANCE AND REPRESENTATION IN CONTEMPORARY SPAIN

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This paper focuses on a selection of examples of remembrance and representation of the
Holocaust in contemporary Spain. Using the concepts of collective and official memory, and
calling upon the nuanced relationship between memory, history and ethics as explored by
Avisar and Berel Lang, the present work will examine the emergence of the Holocaust as a
theme in Spanish politics, culture and society. Even though this trend could be merely con-
sidered part of the wider phenomenon called the globalization of the Holocaust, it is my inten-
tion to focus on the particularities of the phenomenon in Spain in the context of the revision-
ism of the law on historical memory and the civil war. As I hope to show, an analysis of the
growing socio-political interest of the Shoah in contemporary Spain can help to better identify
the emergence of a public discourse on a new Spanish-European identity.

THE HOLOCAUST IN EUROPEAN HISTORY CULTURE

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The paper departs from the suggestion that the Holocaust during the last two decades has
developed into a basis of a founding history, or a basic value, of an integrated Europe. The
process can be described as an important dimension of a third, cultural wave of European
integration, following up and supporting earlier processes of economic and political integra-
tion. Its main idea is that the first European integration initiatives after the Second World War grew out of the horrible experiences of the Holocaust, and that increased integration provides the best guarantee against a repetition of genocidal violence. Those who deny or banalise the Holocaust are not allowed into the European community.

However, it goes without saying that this public or official European Holocaust interest is of recent origin, that few if any European states and societies in the first post-war decades demonstrated any will to give attention to Holocaust history, and that the result of the present European Holocaust construction work, in particular demonstrated in commemorative practices of the year anniversary year of 2005, can be labelled a founding myth of a new Europe. The paper analyses this process in terms of theoretical concepts such as historical consciousness, history culture and uses of history, and from various empirical documentations, benefitting from the research project “The Holocaust and European history culture”, which the present author has been in charge of since 2001. Among publications produced within the project can be mentioned Klas-Göran Karlsson & Ulf Zander (eds), Echoes of the Holocaust. Historical Cultures in Contemporary Europe, Lund: Lund Academic Press 2003, Klas-Göran Karlsson & Ulf Zander (eds), Holocaust Heritage. Inquiries into European Historical Cultures, Malmö: Sekel Bokförlag 2004, and Klas-Göran Karlsson & Ulf Zander (eds), Holocaust on Postwar Battlefields. Genocide as Historical Culture, Malmö: Sekel Bokförlag 2006. The proposed paper is designed to fit with the papers suggested by Professor Kristian Gerner and Associate Professor Ulf Zander.


THE AMBIGUITY OF THE “OTHER EUROPE”: FROM A “EUROPE BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN” TO “A EUROPE WITHOUT THE IRON CURTAIN”

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The research emphasis of the present paper will lie on an analysis of the common discursive negotiation over the idea of a Europe during the Cold War, both in the form of its divided reality and its imagined unity. By means of tamizdat-publication, meaning the Western publication of underground literature from Europe behind the Iron Curtain, the idea of the Other Europe aroused interest among intellectual circles in various Eastern and Western European countries. Most importantly Western intellectual magazines such as The New York
Review of Books in New York and La Nouvelle Alternative in Paris focused their attention in the 1970s and 1980s on bringing various non-conformist voices from the Other Europe together on their pages and letting them present their new mental map of Europe, namely of an-'other' Europe, that highly contradicted the reality of Cold War-Europe. To present the literary strategy of these journals by which they hoped to give writers from the Other Europe a place in the European literary discourse will illuminate a sphere of literary cooperation between East and West during the Cold War that has not been sufficiently analyzed. I will show that tamizdat was able to contribute not only to a practical and emotional rapprochement, but also to a discursive engagement of intellectuals on both sides of the Iron Curtain. This will contribute to a clearer picture of those (literary) argumentations, through which writers in East and West aimed to overcome in one way or another the literary isolation of both parts of Europe, which had been the result of an 'Iron Curtain for literature.' It is in particular the ambiguity of the term Other Europe which allows to focus on the recreation of an-other, no longer divided, European canon of literature. Thus, the Other European literature (namely the literature from behind the Iron Curtain) contributed to the re-emerging belief in an existing all-European literature, a powerful conception which even left traces on today's conceptions of Europe in the sphere of literature.

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THE EUROPEAN IDEA IN THE RUSSIAN NATIONAL LITERATURE: CONTEXTS AND DISCUSSIONS

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For an average European it is sometimes difficult to understand the so-called ‘enigmatic Russian sole’.

But the phenomenon might be better comprehended if one considers it from the literary point of view. It’s a truth universally acknowledged that Russia is a literature focused country. That’s why understanding of Russian literature will help much in understanding Russian culture in general.
Dostoevsky said that the Russian man is too wide in perceiving the world. And this receptivity manifests itself in Russian culture in such a way that suffering from foreign influence Russian culture not only absorbs it but also adopts and makes it purely national phenomenon. For example, The Kremlin in Moscow was designed and built under the leadership of an Italian architect Aristotle Fioravanti, but it is known as an entirely Russian piece of architecture. Russian literature shows similar examples. One the one hand, on the basis of freely used European migrant subjects Russian writers gave outstanding works belonging to the masterpieces of literature, such as “The Stone Guest” by Pushkin (about Don Juan). Russian readers perceive them as Russian works of art written on the basis of European material. On the other hand, there is quite a long list of works translated from some European languages into the Russian language whose authors Russian readers even don’t know because they are absolutely sure than the said works are written by Russian authors, about Russian nature, events or what not (most of such works belong to poetry). And it’s worth pointing out that these translations became Russian classics.


THE CONCEPT OF EUROPE – AND BEYOND

Dieter Köhler

The primary meaning of the term “Europe” in ordinary language is geographic and to a lesser extent cultural. However, regarding the EU the concept of Europe has at least a third major facet: its politico-economic aspect. Regarding the question what areas are “European” this facets overlap but do not coincide. So far the differences between them have not been very important for the formation of the EU (with the single exception of the discussion about the accession of Turkey).

Now that the EU covers most of the European continent, one wonders whether the EU has reached more or less its final borders -- at least in a medium-term perspective of, let's say, 50 years -- or whether the process of the European unification should strive for the integration of countries beyond the borders of the European continent.
It is the politico-economic aspect of the European unification that makes it seem advisable to consider such a larger federation. The two most important objectives behind the unification of the EU have been to establish an efficient institution for peace-keeping and economic prosperity. This goals are still crucial with regard to most of the current EU's immediate neighbours, ie. Russia and the countries bordering the Mediterranean Sea, and call for a kind of federation or at least for strong common political institutions that efficiently promote this objectives.

If this is true, the question arises what could be done to put this idea in the public consciousness of the citizens. It seems that the geographic and cultural connotation of the term “Europe” is not only too limited for this vision, but may actually encumber its realisation. Although the geographic aspect is perhaps negligible, reservations against such alliances induced by cultural differences and ignorance might be quite strong.

With the initiative of the French President Nicolas Sarkozy for the formation of a “Union for the Mediterranean” this issue is no longer a theoretical one. If such a “Union for the Mediterranean” should gain a similar momentum as the EU has obtained, then it is among other things mandatory to strengthen the direct ties between the citizens of the EU and the citizens of the countries bordering the Mediterranean Sea.

The “Euro-Mediterranean Media Partnerships”, a project already started in 2003 between Universities from Germany, France, Tunesia and Marocco, wants to meet this challenge. The partner institutions foster the academic exchange of researchers and students across cultural boundaries by personal contacts for enduring professional, project-oriented collaboration. Central to this project is a combination of short regular meetings and the permanent use of Internet platforms. This strategy could serve as a paradigm how digital media could be used for cross-cultural academic research and teaching as well as for the informing of the general public.

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WARTIME EUROPE AS SEEN BY OTHERS – INDIAN AND AFRICAN SOLDIERS IN EUROPE IN WORLD WAR
Christian Koller

The First World War witnessed migration from the colonial world to Europe on an unprecedented scale. Among the temporary migrants from the colonies and semi-colonial regions to Europe were both war workers and soldiers. The latter included about 650,000 men coming from India, several parts of Africa as well as from Indochina in order to fight for Britain and France. The proposed paper will focus on views of Europe as outlined in letters and autobiographical writing by Indian and West African soldiers. I shall argue that these sources show a far from uniform strategy on the part of colonial soldiers coping with the experience of a completely foreign world. Some of them obviously were able to integrate what they experienced in Europe into their cognitive background. They enjoyed honour gained on the battlefields and were proud of their colonial masters' power. For a second group, there was a large gap between what they were used to and what they experienced in Europe. Comparing these two worlds, they arrived at a rejection of their own customs and habits and an unconditional admiration for the European social, economic and gender order. A third group of colonial soldiers tried to defend their cultural identity, to meet their religious duties and traditional expectations as men and warriors. However, it was particularly soldiers from this third group who went on to suffer despair and resignation.


SHADOWS, RELICS, MECHANICAL TOYS: KARAMZIN’S VIEW OF ENLIGHTENED EUROPE AS THE GRAND BIZARRE

Sonja Koroliov

The relations between Russia and Western Europe, both cultural and political, have always been complex, often difficult, sometimes unfortunate. However, in order to understand developments in the 19th and 20th century as well as in the present, it is useful looking at the (long) 18th century as the time when cultural relations between Russia and the West had recently begun developing on a significant scale.
Thus, given that Russian-European discourses about the other tend to rely on oppositions such as rational/irrational, progressive/backward, individualist/collective, it is of particular interest to explore how the Enlightenment and Sentimentalism, both in their Eastern and Western versions, have shaped our understanding of these terms. In his Letters of a Russian Traveller, Nikolai Karamzin, Russia's major proponent of Sentimentalism, offers a literary description of his travels in Western Europe (Germany, Switzerland, France and England) in 1789-1790. What starts off as an educational journey to the home of progress, knowledge and enlightenment, soon turns into a trip of a wholly different kind. Although Karamzin mostly follows his planned route, looking at major sights and meeting various scholars, writers etc., a large number of the episodes reported in the Letters take a strangely bizarre, spooky or at least curious turn, involving idiosyncratic, non-contextual, often comic behaviour, and a majority seem to pivot on themes of death, transience, disillusionment and disorientation, so that the Europe reflected in the traveller's experience is a maze of unexpected meetings and impressions that, moreover, seems to baffle any attempt at establishing a coherent basis of meaning.

What then makes the Letters such a crucial text of European Sentimentalism, and at the same time such a crucial text on Europe? I will try to show that, far from just listing obvious topoi, the Letters do in fact fit the Enlightenment project extremely well in another way, in that they represent a depiction and discussion of Western Europe as the seat of individualism. By stressing the off-centre, non-representative, strange, private and idiosyncratic, Karamzin establishes individualism as part of enlightened 'Europeanness', but also reflects on what individualism means, how it relates to publicity, and, last but not least, how it comes to bear on the role of literature (and belles-lettres) as a private as well as public phenomenon.

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“OLD EUROPE”: CAREERS, MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND POTENTIALS OF A CONCEPT

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If you do not understand Europe as a political and economical institution that exists for the very same reasons you may find yourself talking about Culture - the common European one - , a very historical category itself. Yet in this area a Babylonian confusion of terms and names is not uncommon to find: we may be talking about “the Occident”, or about the spirit of “Euro-
pean Enlightenment” (even though there is not such a thing as a non-European one), about the “Ancien Régime” or about “Old Europe”. The latter serves as what Bödeker and Hinrichs referred to as a hypothesis of understanding which during the last years has achieved a considerable career in scientific as well as non-scientific language use yet it is still rather undefined as to what it actually refers to. What does Old Europe mean and to what end is it used? The concepts of Otto Brunner and Dietrich Gerhard have gained some prominence in the scientific community although they were not widely taken into account outside of historiography. Whereas Brunner describes Old Europe as a cultural community bound by a shared history of mentality which covers a time span “from Homer to Goethe”, that is from 800 B.C. until the 18th century A.D., Gerhard describes Old Europe as a socio-historical unity which finds expression in institutions and structures, e.g. Christian church jurisprudence, courtly culture or class consciousness. He considers the sufficient aggregation of such institutions and structures in Europe to have come about in the 12th century and to have disappeared during the final years of the 18th century mostly because of Industrialisation. Gerhard’s “Old Europe. A Study of Continuity 1000-1800” (1981) was greeted with surprisingly little attention. The fact that it was published in Germany under the title of “Das Abendland. Ursprung und Gegenbild unserer Zeit 800-1800” (1985) (“The Occident. Origin and Reflection of Our Time 800-1800”) seems to be symptomatic of an indifference towards handling the conception of a common European history - an indifference still not overcome during the last 25 years.

My contribution is going to be about these two great ideas and some smaller ones which are over-looked too often. It is aimed at representatives of other eras, disciplines and subjects and not only at the small circle of medievalist and researchers of the early modern period. Questions to be answered are about the conditions, possibilities, problems and potentials of a conceptionalisation of a shared European historiography of pre-modern times and how the Old can contribute to the cultural identity of a New Europe.


THE PROSPECT OF A POLITICAL EUROPE: A MATTER OF POLITICAL REGIME OR A MATTER OF SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT?
Carlos Leone

This paper comprises two discussions, one theoretical the other historical. The first addresses the notion political regime (v.g. a republic or a Monarchy) vis a vis the notion of system of government (v. g. democracy or dictatorship), the first being a social contract establishing a civil society in its core values, the second a set of institutions designed to organize public life within such societies.

The theoretical discussion sets the stage for an appraisal of European Union’s current political debate about the reform of its institutions and attempts to establish the proper place (at a political regime or at a system of government levels) of the debate for the near future. This precision, «near future», is mainly due to the untimely nature of these matters, necessarily bind to prospects subject to great changes unforeseen.

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THE NEXUS OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION AND THE METAMORPHOSIS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: TAKING ISSUE WITH THE VARIOUS THEORIES FOUNDED UPON SOVEREIGN CONCEPTIONS OF STATE POWER

Luís Lobo-Fernandes

The title of this paper is an invitation to reflect upon the ever-increasing relevance of regional integration processes in the post-World War II international arena.

My main purpose is to provide a cut on the important phenomenon of international integration. From the seventeenth century to the mid-twentieth century, the centralization of authority in states – the so-called Westphalian system – was reinforced by a most powerful ideology - nationalism. Yet since the 1950s, the monopoly of states over political authority – the capacity to make legally binding decisions – has weakened. I’m conscious that it is not easy to evaluate the historical importance of authoritative recasting at the time it is happening, but it seems likely that the second half of the twentieth century and the beginning of this century will be regarded as a watershed in European political development. European integration has shifted authority in several key areas of policy making from national states up to European-level institutions. Indeed, developments in the EU over the last two decades have revived debate about the consequences of European integration for the autonomy and authority of the state in Europe. Does this new political entity – the European Union - creates principles
for governing international relations that compete with the core Westphalian principles of sovereignty and anarchy?


INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND THE FORMATION OF A EUROPEAN POLITICAL CULTURE

Günther Lottes

The lecture shows that Europe as a whole acquired a political identity of its own in the series of peace conferences starting with the Westphalian Peace of 1648. All the major challenges to the structural make-up of Europe such as the division of religion, the principle of revolution, the principle of nationalism were dealt with in this series of peace conferences which rearranged the framework of European politics after violent commotions. In this sense, the institution of the conference became a pillar for a distinctly European political culture. The lectures develops this argument starting in 1648 and and closing after the Second World War when the Cold War and the nuclear challenge called the very principle of Europe as a cultural and political unity into question.

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TOWARDS A MYTHOLOGY OF EUROPE

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The critical result we diagnosed does not lead us to an appeal in favour of the cessation of the Europe project. We defend that a “self-confessed European utopia is only worth living as the victory of Europe over Europe, of its own fiction which, conscientiously or unconsciously, has flavoured its destiny against reality”. In short, the triumph of its sublime non-identity over the ghosts of its hallucinated identity. It is urgent the invention of a consistent utopia for “Europe/Democracy/Liberty” in order to build an “identitary image of Europe”, having as starting point a “cultural imaginary that can be share by all Europeans”.

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THE IDEA OF EUROPE IN THE PERIODS OF THE ROMANTICISM

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In the period of the Enlightenment a philosophers and statesmen thought in terms of community of the States, ignoreing the national differences in Europe. In XIX century the romanticism animated in whole Europe the consciousness of nationality. On the other hand the sens of community spirit of the nations begined to form under the influence of the Napoleonic wars and ideas of the liberty of the peoples. Idea of the fight against the tyrants caused in various countries of Europe the revolution named the springtide of nations in 1848 year. The very same idea was expressed in the polish device “for our freedom and your’s”, and also in the poetry of Adam Mickiewicz and Cyprian Norwid, who always thougt in terms of common Europe.

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THE PERCEPTION OF THE EUROPEAN SELF IN THE ORIENTAL MIRROR AS FOUND IN PROVENÇAL VERSION OF THE NOVEL BARLAAM ET JOSAPH

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One of the most important representations of meetings of different cultures can be found in a Medieval Occitan novel called Barlaam et Josaphat. The story's history reaches back to ancient India and tells of the main concern of any encounter: openness. The young Barlaam shows a deep openness towards the new teachings of the old teacher Josaphat. The Occitan version does not incorporate anything new, yet it confirms that mutual openness between different and almost separated cultures had always been necessary and appealing at the same time.
Although border demarcations as we know them today had not been used in Medieval times, Europe found itself separated from other continents. The separation was based on the important differences between the regions. Yet in all regions certain customs and traditions existed reflecting the wisdom of bigger and smaller communities.

This novel, based on an Indian Buddha storyline, exists in many regional versions and was very successful during the Middle Ages. Its standing and appreciation had always been unique because the confrontation between two cultures does not take place on a theological level but on a moral one much more common. In this peculiarity we can find its main objective: to emphasize what is shared between two cultures rather than contrast the differences.

It appears to be necessary to communicate the message of this work to the audience since it not only bears testimony about literary relations but also, on a higher level, about cultural confrontations. Although this legend can be understood as a tale of Christian resistance and prevailing, in contrast to this it stresses the major similarities. Both Josaphat the heathen prince and Barlaam his Christian teacher decide for a system of values which incorporates heathen wisdom and Christian teachings. With reference to a story well-known during the Middle Ages, we aim to bring out the uniting characteristics to display the variety and the deep common roots. The re-discovery and a new commentary may contribute to a better understanding among us Europeans and with non-European people.


THE EUROPEAN IDENTITY: A GERNERATIVE APPROACH

Andrei Marga (abstract, CV)

ARCHEOLOGY AND POLITICAL AGENDAS: THE MAKING OF NATIONALISM ON PORTUGAL (19TH-20TH CENTURIES)

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During the 18th century, some national agendas looked at antiquarian activities as a way to support some of their aspirations, in a time of making of nationalisms in Europe. Consequently, epigraphic and numismatic studies increased, becoming strongly popular pastimes among aristocrats and new bourgeois. Together with the intensity of this occurrence the 19th century brought a novelty: the birth of Modern prehistoric archaeology beginning with the establishment of human antiquity in 1859. And this paradigm renewed quest for national identities, being simultaneously crucial to the development of the Archaeology itself.

Portugal was no exception. On the contrary, intellectuals tried to reaffirm the (believed) Portuguese cultural uniqueness, validating national boarders substantiated by archaeological artefacts. In fact, some of these researchers contradicted the common perception of European past shaped by an ex orient lux. Quite the reverse, they conceived the idea of an ex occident lux derived from Iberian Peninsula, spread to other regions, including north-African. Megaliths played an essential role in this purpose. Especially in what concerned their architecture, and their ‘packages’. Based on their alleged singularity – chronological, and structural –, some archaeologists believed on their primacy over those discovered elsewhere in Europe.

This was particularly clear during the 20th century Portuguese Estado Novo (‘New State’) political agenda, as we will analyse in the paper. Furthermore, we will figure out how our main archaeologists were committed to the making of nationalism in the country, visioning Western Europe united by the megalithic phenomenon.

extremely long presence, being one of the last countries to put an end to its policy, giving in to the many pressures that came from the West.

It is a fact that Portugal, during the history of its presence and adventure in Africa, kept many contacts with many peoples and kingdoms, namely Tangier, Dahomey, Senegal, Congo, etc… Presently, however, in an indelible way, only five African countries maintain those strong historical and cultural ties. They are consecrated and known as Portuguese-speaking African countries (PALOP). These five nations identify themselves nowadays with Portugal: Angola (that «became [...] the beloved daughter of the Portuguese »), Mozambique, São Tomé e Príncipe, Guinea Bissau and Cape Verde. Fruit of that historical heritage, these countries have in Portugal the door way to the European Continent.

This way, Portugal, in the context of the so-called “lusophony”, is the “bridge” or Europe’s “identity card” to the PALOP. Thus, these countries are not closed nor isolated from Europe and know very well this continent with which they relate and intend to keep sincere and profitable relations for all, leaving behind the negative marks of colonialism, even though the positive aspects of this phenomenon (colonialism) should be used in an era in which all peoples should walk together for the formation of a better world … And Europe has much to give to the African universe and also much to learn from it.


A GLOBAL POWER’S VIEW ON A REGIONAL ACTOR: HENRY KISSINGER’S YEAR OF EUROPE

Judith Michel

“The United States will continue to support the unification of Europe. We have no intention of destroying what we worked so hard to help build. For us, European unity is what it has always been: not an end in itself but a means to the strengthening of the West. We shall continue to support European unity as a component of a larger Atlantic partnership.” This statement was part of Henry Kissinger’s speech on the Year of Europe which he delivered in April 1973. In this speech he stressed, on the one hand, the ongoing importance of European integration, on the other hand, he characterized Europe as a regional power and expected its subordination within the alliance asking at the same time for a greater burden sharing and more oncessions in economic questions. Furthermore, Kissinger proposed the creation of an institutionalized dialogue between Europe and the United States and the
drafting of a transatlantic declaration. The consultations following the speech revealed that Kissinger tried to gain greater control over European politics by linking the American security guarantee to economic issues and by getting more deeply involved in European consultation processes. Though the Nixon-Kissinger administration officially encouraged the efforts of its European partners to coordinate their policies, it ignored the Europeans' attempts to speak with one voice and rather continued to deal with them bilaterally. It thereby disturbed the efforts of the European Community to harmonize their foreign policies especially towards the crisis in the Middle East and the oil crisis of 1973/74 and disclosed that the EC – facing these conflicts with global impact – did in fact not manage to transcend its role as a regional actor. Both, the Nixon-Kissinger administration's lacking willingness and the European's lacking ability to deal with each other on equal terms finally lead to the failure of the Year of Europe which ended in ineffectual compromise and hollow phrases. The presentation will analyse the following questions: What domestic and external reasons motivated Kissinger's proposal? What does the initiative itself and the consultations between the transatlantic partners afterwards tell about the views of the Nixon-Kissinger administration on Europe and its role in the world? What does it reveal about the world-view of the American protagonists and to what extend do their assumptions reflect the views of other Usadministrations in the post-war era? While substantive research has already been done on the American attitude towards European integration and Europe's role in international politics during the first two decades after 1945, comparatively few studies deal with the American views on Europe during the Nixon-Kissinger era. Some early analyses dealing with the Year of Europe could not draw on archival materials. More recent general works on transatlantic relations and biographies on Kissinger and Nixon touch upon the topic only briefly. Enlightening for America's role during the Year of Europe are the articles of Fiona Venn on the oil crisis of 1973/74 (1999) and of Pascaline Winand on “The Year of Europe Speech and its Genesis from an American Perspective” (edited in a volume of the European Union Liaison Committee of Historians in 2007). Winand furthermore presented a paper on this topic at a conference on “Willy Brandt and the European Integration” in Metz (2006). Robert Wampler also held a presentation on Kissinger’s motives for his initiative at a conference on “The Atlantic Community Unraveling? States, Protest Movements, and the Transformation of US European Relations, 1969-1983” in Nashville (2004). In my presentation, I would like to add to this academic discussion which has only just begun. I will draw on recent archival research which I have conducted for my doctoral thesis on “Willy Brandt and the United States of America” which will soon be published.

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EUROPEANISM AS A STRATEGY OF PRESERVING NATIONAL CULTURES

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At the end of the first decade of the twenty-first century contentions, or even conflicts, concerning the character of national identities are becoming more visible. This problem is kept in the foreground of discussions about the future of Europe; but on every continent this phenomenon is in a different stage of transformation. First of all, the processes of globalization cause increase in the number of supporters of weak identities, non-essential and changeable, so called “opening”. For the same reasons there is an increasing number of different types of fundamentalists, who believe that strong identity, which is stable and enrooted in national traditions, is the only prevention from the disappearance of identification local cultures, from their splitting in global culture, global communicational circulation. Taking into account the arguments of both sides, my assumption is that tensions between weak and strong identities are not only dangerous for national and cultural identification. Research results show that these tensions can create numerous opportunities for articulation of national and cultural specificity. In my opinion they can even establish one of the fundamentals of Europeanism understood as a strategy of preserving national cultures in the time when a new world deal is being shaped. I consider the issue of Europeanism by the means of diversification between variety and otherness. Following the track indicated by Homi Bhabha I try to prove that this diversification forms a conceptual framework, useful for describing representation of “specificity” and “otherness” in discussion concerning Europeanism.


THE CLASSIC EUROPEAN FOUNDATIONS: FROM THE GREEK POLIS TO THE ROMAN EMPIRE

António Moniz
In despite of being a tópos, the classic European roots are not always duly recognised, as we have observed by the discussion about European Constitution, later replaced by European Treatise. We shall start by the Greek myth of Europe (eurôpos, the big eyes), symbol of seduction and violence, and we shall analyse the most expressive contribution of Greek and Roman culture to the inherited European civilisation. From the political perspective, in Greek polis we can meet the democratic and republican solution; in Roman Empire, we can see the hegemony mixed with the cultural interrelationship; the military glory was the most important aspiration of Roman citizen. From the juridical perspective, the notion of citizenship was extremely limited within the Greeks, but progressively opened within the Romans; Res publica was based on nomos and lex, on court and magistracy. From the economic perspective, the peel of agriculture was reached by industrial manufacture and trade; the creation of currency and financial system has permitted an easier circulation of goods. From social perspective, it was obvious the slavery system, juridically alive until 9th century and renewed under other forms, until nowadays; the deep cleavage among families and gentes; the family system; children and youth education. From cultural perspective, it was determinant the Greek and Latin languages prestige; the glory of the arts; the scientific and technological development; the religion and ethic values preponderance; otium and negotium occupation.


THE ROUTE OF SANTIAGO: THE FIRST EUROPEAN CULTURAL ROUTE AND THE PILGRIMAGE OF MYTHICAL WOMEN IN MEDIEVAL EUROPE (ST. ELISABETH OF PORTUGAL, ST. BRIDGID OF SWEDEN)

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One of the main aims of the Council of Europe is to promote a better understanding of cultural heritage of the different nations and to contribute to an intercultural dialogue. For the Council of Europe it is important to make Europeans aware of the common cultural heritage, in order to create a feeling of a European identity overwhelming the national borders. In this context the European Cultural Route was created by the Council of Europe in 1987 – the first Cultural Route distinguished by this programme was precisely the Route of Santiago de Compostela. The singularity of the Route of Santiago is due, among other aspects, to its an-
tiquity, its large extension, its historical meaning during the Middle Ages and its extraordinary contribution to developments in literature, arts, science and technique.

In this lecture I will analyse unto which extends the Route of Santiago is nowadays a space of European collective memory and the role of the label European Cultural Route in institutionalizing this memory. I will attach as empirical examples to the mythification process of St. Elisabeth of Portugal and St. Brigid from Sweden. Both achieved a European projection, and St. Brigid even was named a patron saint of Europe.

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THE IMAGE OF EUROPE IN 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY'S BRAZIL

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The analysis of the available documents that deals with the meaning of "Europe" as seen from the Brazilian point of view, allows the identification of three different meaningful moments, or stages. Overall, the writings published between 1850 and 1935, especially those by Francisco Varnhagen and Gilberto Freyre, shows a tendency to praise and be seduced by the actions of a "civilizing Europe". In this perspective, the Portuguese are presented as been successful artifices of the cultural transformations that took place in Brazil ever since it was "discovered". It is precisely this admiration of the ethical and cultural efforts of the European colonization movement that stimulated the hopes of a promising future. However, during that same moment, voices disagreeing with the "colonization project of Brazil" also begin to emerge. Voices such as that of Capistrano Abreu who insisted that the Europeans were "foreigners", who failed to take into consideration the culture of the population that inhabited the territory prior to their arrival.

In addition, between the years of 1936 and 2000, there emerge yet other interpretations of the presence of the Europeans in the American continent. Experts such as Sérgio Buarque de Holanda, Nélson Werneck Sodré, Caio Prado, Florestan Fernandes e Fernando Henrique Cardoso, among others, spoke of the limited success achieved by the colonizing actions as they were applied in Brazil. Signaling a phase of disenchantment with the results of the "European cultural Project" that was intended to transplanted to the tropics; this phase could also be called, "anti-eurocentric".

In the last years, with the social-economic advances, made evident by the historical path that eventually led to the formation of the European Community, the structures of the relationship...
between colonizing nations and colonized nations altered significantly. And in Brazil, the efforts to bring together different European nations, overcoming economical, geographical and cultural limitations, can be translated into an image of an Europe whose efforts are stimulated by the advantages proposed the communitarian ideals.


GLOBALIZATION AS EUROPEIZATION

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According to the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy, globalization often functions as little more than a synonym for one or more of the following phenomena: the pursuit of classical liberal policies in the world economy, the growing dominance of western (or even American) forms of political, economic, and cultural life (westernization or Americanization), the proliferation of new information technologies, as well as the notion that humanity stands at the threshold of realizing one single unified community in which major sources of social conflict have vanished. It is symptomatic that globalization is often paralleled with Americanization and/or westernization. The term ‘Europeization’ has been used very seldom if ever. It is surprising as all the above mentioned typical characteristics of globalization have their origin in the European cultural tradition. It is Europe, not the United States that is the real cultural cradle of the most visible trends in the contemporary global society. It is Europe, where the three P-s of globalization, namely the phenomenon, the philosophy and the process, originate. Consequently, the future prospects of the idea of Europe fully depend on the progress of globalization. However, Europe has to redefine itself, its identity and its geographical boundaries in order to take the lead in globalization. First of all, Europe has to open up. The chances for Europe in the process of globalization lay rather in the East than in the West. The key issue in the progress of globalization is the question, how efficiently Europe can solve the problem of its geographical and cultural identity, whether there can be a European identity overarching the national ones or not. The idea of the European identity needs to obtain more organic content than just a sum of national identities of the European countries.

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With this work we intend to shed some light on the possibilities of the future role of less known languages at European level, namely Portuguese and Bulgarian, to develop and maintain European and international cooperation. It is also important to clarify the need and the role of such idioms for the future development of mankind.

Besides paying attention to the importance of a global language for communication and scientific interchange, we will approach the problems that may arise, because a language is an important instrument of knowledge and communication, a self-improvement and source of aesthetic pleasure and also an instrument of ideological and political domination. Similarly to the brief review of the diverse adopted opinions and hypothesis about the future role of national languages in daily life and in the cooperation policies, we will also reflect on the subject that concerns the future role and relevance of national languages in the European and international cooperation policies. Considering several analysis and prognosis made by analysts in this sense, we try in this section to answer the following question:

Is the future of mankind connected to the generalized unification and existence of only one communication language between people and peoples?

The final part of this work is a critical appraisal of the subject, a personal reflexion about the theme, as well as the presentation of conclusive aspects.

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AN EDUCATION FOR EUROPE?

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For a long time European discoveries in the early modern period (15th to 18th centuries) have been seen as a unilateral spreading of Europe’s cultural values such as religion and technological superiority at a worldwide level. Most of the Europeans in the colonies however adapted to local traditions and habits and thus ensured their colonial domination. The mixed cultures of these “go-betweens” had great influence in Europe. Colonial products (plants, art objects) were introduced and influenced European art developments (exoticism in paintings or tapestries or the “chinoiserie”-mode in the 18th century just to mention well-known phenomena). It is far less known how the contact with the “other” helped to define European identity.

Confrontation with other civilizations quickly lead to a discussion about the own concept of civilization, the travel books provided ample material about non-European communities with different social practices. The iconographic and pre-ethnological material was widely used and gave birth to the tradition of the “noble savage”, dominating the 18th century philosophical definition about the justification of power. Various observations as the existence of common goods in aboriginal tribes lead to a questioning of European commercial practice in European utopian literature and a severe critique of traditional European economic balance of power. Authors as the Abbé Raynal saw the colonial economy as an undervalued, not adequately developed chance for European commercial development on a humanitarian basis without slavery (Raynal, Histoire philosophique et politique, des établissements & du commerce des européens dans les deux Indes, 1770, one of the most often republished books in the 18th centuries).

This contribution shall put the main focus on a few major lines in this development: the contact with non-European communities lead to an epistemological important discussion of different “mythologies” and finally the cultural comparison in Lafitau’s Moeurs des sauvages américains (1724) and Rousseau’s political discussion of original societies as a measure of questioning the legitimacy of absolute power in search for a new “contrat social”. Raynal was
the first to form a conception of a world-wide commerce as a medium for justly balanced economic development between colonies and Europe.

Costume books and depictions of Non-Europeans helped to promote a new Genre in European art and imagination: the “costume books” integrating typical habits of Europeans and other nations. They later on were influencing stereotype images of nations up to our time in art and literature.

Travel books to non-European countries broke with the medieval tradition of enumerating, copying or compiling from secondary sources as in many medieval pilgrim books and lead to a discussion about the concept of “authenticity” in European geographical and historical literature. The colonization had an overwhelming impact on historiography and political theory. The Spanish court had official historiographers and protestant authors questioned the Spanish right to colonization in the European-wide critique of the so called “leyenda negra”. Later on in the 18th century the “Jesuit state” of the reducciones (Indian villages ruled by Jesuits) in South America caused discussions in Europe about idealized theocratical rule and finally was a pretext to suppress the Jesuit order in the 18th century. These discussions used the early European press contacts and spread in various countries, they helped to create a common European “public opinion” across political borders.

Focussing on the mentioned exemplary developments the contribution shows that contact with non-European civilizations lead to an early European self-definition and a considerable enrichment of European thinking. It helped building a Europe-wide communication and press system already in the early modern time and a “communauté des savants” interested in similar questions even if disagreeing on many specific valutations.


MEDIEVAL EUROPE - OBJECT AND IDEOLOGY

Klaus Oschema

The existence of a concept of Europe before 1700 has been questioned in several publications during the last three decades, but medievalists continue to frequently refer to “Europe in the Middle Ages”. Although most of the references simply use the notion in order to delimitate the geographical area in which the authors want to analyse a particular problem, there is, however, a certain number of publications by medievalists that explicitly address the question of “medieval Europe”. The central question thus remains, in which way it could be justi-
fied and heuristically fertile to speak of “Europe” in the Middle Ages? Generally speaking, periods of intensive publication on this subject coincide with central political events during the 20th century; medievalists’ contributions can thus be viewed as an expression of the intricate interrelations between historical research and the political needs of their time. The present paper proposes to interpret these conjunctures as an expression of extra-scientific needs rather than a discussion originating in the discussions that dominate the disciplines which participate. As a consequence, most contributions on “Europe in the Middle Ages” tend to hypostasize a modern concept of a “material” European culture and have thus to be regarded as projections on the period they pretend to analyze.

This paper proposes a critical appraisal of these effects before approaching the cultural and-semantic charge of the concept of Europe in the Latin west between the 5th and 15th centuries. Although the position that “Europe did not exist during the Middle Ages – it rather replaced the Middle Ages” (R. Hiestand) has gained widespread acceptance, the notion itself is far from being rare in medieval texts. If one focuses not on a genuinely “political” use of the term, a closer analysis reveals that the notion of “Europe” could be used by contemporaries in a broad variety of contexts, from the description of military actions during the crusades to the positioning of one’s own community (state, people) in the larger framework of a religiously founded perception of historical development. As a consequence the notion of “Europe” could acquire an important cultural semantic charge – however without leading to a uniformly defined and stable concept. One has thus to ask if the political value of the notion might have depended, not unlike its use in our own time, on its flexibility? The medieval notion of “Europe” could then be described as a “stopgap” that could be called upon to satisfy different kinds of discursive needs, providing a basis for political compromise: authors using the notion unanimously agreed on the importance and “venerability” of the ideas that it evoked while the concrete details of practical problems and solutions remained open to debate. In order to cite only one example: From the 12th century onwards, Europe was frequently designated as being a “Christian” continent, although the church’s claims included a central role in universal (i.e. “global”) salvation. Some authors, however, shied away from the picture of a religiously homogeneous continent by recognizing the existence of relevant minorities. As a consequence, we have to ask if these phenomena could even theoretically furnish a basis for the generalized construction of a “Christian continent of Europe” today – or if it rather invites us to be aware of the culturally (and historically) constructed and thus contingent nature of the concept of “Europe”?

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THE “NEW EUROPE” IN THE DISCOURSE OF QUISLING AND IN EXILE GOVERNMENTS: THE GREEK CASE; 1941-1944

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This paper aims at the juxtaposition of two perceptions regarding the Old Continent, as presented in the Greek setting during the Axis occupation; one from the Quisling governments, the other from the governments-in-exile.

The concept of the Axis “New Europe” was employed by the Quisling governments as a justification for collaborating with the Germans. They envisaged Europe as an enclosed geographical entity subject not only to the pressure of warfare but of ideological constructs (unifying myths, use of the past - use of specific historical facts interpreted in a “suitable” way, presenting the enemy as responsible for the war) and hence turned into a cultural space. The cultural space was identified with the West and their enemy was the East. The construction of “New Europe”, which also included the vision of an economy, based on autarky and the artificial stabilization of currency, after having conquered the European lebensraum, would protect this political and cultural space.

As for the governments-in-exile, they perceived New Europe, in the sense of postwar Europe, as part of a wider scheme and fragmented into smaller geographical entities (Balkans, East, West, etc.). Creating small confederations (like the Greek-Yugoslav agreement of 1942) would protect the continent form future wars. The depiction of the war itself reveals that the Allies were also identified with the civilized West and were fighting the barbaric East. Apart from the apparent and striking differences, interestingly enough there are similarities as well. In both cases we have positive connotations of the term “west” and negative for the term “east”. In both cases some kind of unification of postwar Europe was employed as a solution; as a construction that would prevent another war. This existence of similarities suggests that pro-integration thinking constitutes a consequence of the experience of war and part of the expectations for its aftermath.

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THE CONCEPT OF EUROPE IN THE GALICIAN NATIONAL LITERATURE

Carme Pérez-Sanjulián

In my lecture I would like to offer a first approach to the ideas of Europe within the Galician literature of the 20th century. Galicia has a small territory and at the same time a very sharp cultural identity. I will analyse the discourses of Europe that have been produced since the beginnings of the 20th century and is called within the intellectual elites in Galicia the “europeismo”. Within this discourse Europe has turned to be the referent for cultural innovation Galicians wished to be part of. By this means European became also a political referent for the Galician collective identity.


“FAKED EUROPES” IN BRAZIL DURING THE 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY

Mary del Priore

My lecture will run upon the impact of the European presence in Brazil, since 1808, date of the arrival of the portuguese royal family and the opening of the commercial relationship with England, France and Italy. The presence of men, ideas and materials coming from the European Continent, has modified forms of being, of living and thinking at the Tropics. It was the beginning of the construction of an ideal representation of Europe, that during more than one century, has moulded the brazilian elites in their search of looking different from their “mestizo” culture. Certain aspects of this “faked Europe”, as would say, Fernand Braudel, shall be approached.

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THE IDEA OF EUROPE IN MADEIRAN CULTURE

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The concern of urban Madeiran bourgeoisie, as well as of its intellectual elite, of distinguishing themselves from the others, always had as objective to accompany, even at a distance
and in spite of the atavistic backwardness of Madeira, the role models of progress of the developed and educated countries of Europe.

In this sense, the discourse about Europe has been explored in such a way as to defend the European matrix of the insular culture, the reinforcement of the recent political autonomy and the infrastructural modernization that the island needs (Ed).

Our proposal is to analyze the importance of an idea of Europe, sometimes vague, others assumed, that has been used as a reference of social and cultural model and economic development for Madeiran society along times.

This way, the following leads will be explored:

1. Madeira, a doorway to the world (sugar cane production, “the first European city built outside the European continental space”, the development of trade - the role of the English, centre of sojourn in the 19th century, cosmopolitanism and touristic destiny in the 20th and 21st centuries;
2. Europe, the large cultural centre (Madeiran elite: intellectuals with degrees taken in Coimbra, Lisbon or Paris; regional bilingual press: Portuguese / English)
3. Madeira and Europe: European backgrounds, a window of opportunities (through political chronicles).


ON INTERGENERATIONAL MOBILITY IN EUROPE

Ana Prokopyshyn / Paulo Delgado

With this communication, we intend to present some outcome from project MATES, funded by the European Union’s Program Grundtvig, and developed by CompaRes – International Society for Iberian – Slavonic Studies, in cooperation with four other European institutions (Räama Noorte Ühing Noorus- Estonia, Projektbüro “Dialog der Generationen” -Germany, E.E.P.T.B - Greece and Associação VIDA - Portugal). This project aims to produce a Pan Dissemination of Results coming from Intergenerational Projects approved under Grundtvig Program. MATES consists on a creation of a guide drawn up by a tab of initiatives in favor of a living intergenerational society, meaning a strong and good quality coexistence and ex-
change between generations, contributing to a more efficient and effective use of UE Resources.

Attending to one of the given priorities of the European Commission in terms of social and educational policies, our project aim is to promote intergenerational mobility, contributing to a more united and fraternal Europe, which starts with the promotion of constructive relationships and mutual enrichment among all age’s people, and the struggling against all kinds of discrimination and loneliness. The result must be a better-off and cohesive society, and therefore a better-off and cohesive Europe. The wager on intergenerationalism is one of the pathways to build a better Europe, that is a special place in a worth living world.

Intergenerational mobility in society is undoubtedly an extent of (e)quality in life odds; intergenerational relations during the childhood reflect in success in later life, or on the flip-side, the extent to which elder individuals start being visible and valorized, what does not happens in nowadays societies.

Under a project supported by European Union and organized by an international cooperation partnership, we are sought to promote a guide for intergenerational mobility and solidarity across Europe, with this, to promote human rights, tolerance and respect for cultures and generations.

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**SPAIN IN THE BUILDING OF THE EUROPEAN HISTORY AND EUROPEAN IDENTITY: PAST AND FUTURE**

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During 18th and 20th centuries great Spanish thinkers dealt with idea of Europe and with Spanish’ role in the construction of the European History and European identity. The decline of the Spanish Empire in the 17th century and the lost of its hegemony on European and Atlantic world caused a deep and everlasting shock on cultural and intellectual environment. Prominent authors - Jerónimo Feijoo, Gaspar de Jovellanos, Marcelino Menéndez Pelayo, Miguel de Unamuno or José Ortega y Gasset – reflectioned about this question and took it account in their works. They tried to explore what Spain was in the European History and
what its place must be in the European future. In this sense, there were two interpretations about Spanish History: the “black legend” and the “rose legend” and both have been an important influence on Spanish self-perception. I will explain some aspects of this subject.


THE NEW FACE OF EUROPE: IMAGES OF A POST-COLONIAL CONTINENT

Micaela Ramon

In the last quarter of the XX century, Portugal, a small peripheral country of the old continent, was at the center of profound changes that substantially changed its face as a nation. The loss of overseas colonial possessions and the consequent influx of massive and successive waves of communities from Africa, Macau and Timor have largely contributed to such changes. Such influx of communities has not ceased to head to the old metropolis of the empire, in a movement, moreover, that accompanies the reality of other European countries, which are becoming increasingly more multiracial and multicultural.

As a result, “the theory of ‘white and Christian Europe’ (...) well rooted by traditions and customs in history” (A. Vitorino, Diário de Notícias, 21/4/2006) is, as never before has been, reductive and inappropriate to the new emerging realities.

In currently published Portuguese Literature, there are abounding voices through which the contours of a post-colonial Europe are defined; inhabited by new Europeans who, whether from within or from outside its borders, project images that make up the cross kaleidoscope of a multiform and diverse continent.

The communication that we propose will therefore concentrate on presenting contemporary authors, Portuguese and / or Portuguese-speaking, whose works contribute to the definition and understanding of the “new face of Europe.”

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EUROPE BETWEEN MYTH AND CONTINENTAL ALLEGORY. GEORG KAISER’S PLAY “EUROPE”
“Europe” is inscribed into our continent's collective memory in two ways. The first time it appeared in Homer's writing denoting a Phoenician princess abducted by Zeus in shape of a bull. As documented by Herodot for the first time, also the geographical and political dimension of the name is reflected. This double meaning of the term has been present throughout all ages of European literature, the arts and music until Modernity and the present. In the first part this article drafts this development. The second part is devoted to a Modernist theatre production which ranges between continental allegory and myth. Georg Kaiser's play “Europe” was published in 1915 and had its premiere in 1920. During that era, the first quarter of the 20th century, Europe was well debated as a project, a vision and a “unity of fate”. The discussion of Europe, mainly by writers ever since Romanticism, re-emerged during and after the Great War. The unvictorious German Reich appeared to have left the European bond and to be in need of reintegration. This article analyses the embedding of the play into the contemporary Zeitgeist and the transformations of the ancient myth by the author. Most importantly that the abducted Europe does not allow Zeus to impregnate her but takes a husband, the leader of an unknown warrior tribe. Together with these warriors, the mythical sons of Kadmos, she undertakes a journey to find a new country to bear her name, Europe.


THE IDEA OF EUROPE IN G. STEINER AND BENTO XVI

Miguel Real

The ideas of Europe in George Steiner and Pope Bento XVI reveal two different visions from the history of this continent-civilization. Bento XVI has the classic and humanist idea of Europe like a symbiosis of the Jewish and Greco-Roman cultures, fulfilled in a superior way, in the Christian culture, spiritual and intellectual basis of Europe. Steiner, on the other hand, although accepts the classic vision of Bento XVI, has another vision of Europe. Europe would be the continent of the mental inquietation expressed simultaneously and harmonically in the kingdoms of the Music, of the Mathematics and of the Phi-
losophy, based on an incessant, continuous and without end (“Our ontological legate is the quest”) and a future not rarely thought tragically.


EUROPE AS SEEN FROM AFRICA

János Riesz

As Jean-Paul Sartre wrote in his preface “Orphée Noir” (1948) to the Anthologie de la Nouvelle Poésie Nègre edited by Léopold S. Senghor, white man had had for three thousand years the privilege to look at Africans without being looked back at himself. European travelers, scientists, artists and writers developed their own image of the African, that was closely related to conquest, exploitation and “development” of the continent. We only can indirectly deduce from the Africans’ reactions and behavior how they perceived the European traders and intruders. Our sources are mainly European travelogues and colonial literature. A reversal of the onlook occurred only at the moment when Africans became writers themselves and described their experience with Europe and the Europe-ans in autobiographies and travelogues. Here we can distinguish between two historical phases: first the life-stories of freed or escaped slaves in the 18th to the 19th century, and then the autobiographies encouraged and promoted by Europe-an anthropologists or missionaries and colonial institutions; some of these texts can be considered as the beginning of African literature in European languages in general.

What the Europeans had to learn about themselves was not always flattering. The first comprehensive study on the image of Europeans and white people by Africans and other non Europeans, published by the German ethnologist Julius Lipps in 1937 in his American exile, carried the telling title The Savage Hits Back.

The lecture tries to put the focus on the African image of Europe and Europeans in connection with European prejudiced expectations and literary production coming from the Africans’ experience of white man. As an introduction into the issue we refer to our (J.R.) anthology: Blick in den schwarzen Spiegel – Das Bild des Weißen in der afrikanischen Literatur des 20. Jahrhunderts, Wuppertal: Peter Hammer Verlag, 2003.

**A IDEA DE EUROPA NA LITERATUR ROMÂNTICA PORTUGUESA DE OITOCENTOS: A PERSPECTIVA EUROPEÍSTA DE ALMEIDA GARRETT**

Annabela Rita

Taking the literary works by Almeida Garrett, Eça de Queirós, Cesário Verde, Fernando Pessoa an the political essays by Sebastião de Magalhães Lima for empirical examples, the present contribution will dwell on the image of Europe and the representation of Portugal in relationship to Europe in the Portuguese culture from the Romantic period to the early 20th Century.


**VISIONS OF EUROPE AND REVOLUTION IN THE INTERSECTING ACTIVIST AND RESISTANCE TRAJECTORIES OF HARRO SCHULZE-BOYSEN AND AL-EXANDRE MARC**

Christian Roy

A pioneer of both the French Resistance and the European federalist movement, Alexandre Marc (1904-2000) always held up as a model to the European activists trained in the institutes he founded his prewar collaboration with Harro Schulze-Boysen, German leader of the controversial Red Orchestra Resistance network, executed by the Nazis in 1942. Since 2009 marks the centennial of Schulze-Boysen’s birth, it seems fitting to get beyond polarizing views of his role, to highlight the European dimension of his ostensibly ostorientiert political action, and compare it with the more overtly European scope of his French «non-conformist» contacts, as well as of the Kreisau Circle, to which Marc also had links, owing much to Rosenstock's theory of European revolutions. Both Marc and the Kreisauers based their vision of Europe as a third force between East and West on a personalist philosophy as a middle position beyond collectivism and individualism. Yet for Schulze-Boysen in 1937 «there is no such thing as a “Third Standpoint of Europe” or the like, but quite simply two camps that would be easy to define sociologically.» Despite his discursive and strategic rap-
prochement with Marxism, Schulze-Boysen was reiterating a national-revolutionary position he had formulated early on from vitalist assumptions. By 1930 he had concluded it would be in Germany’s national interest to break with the Western-dominated capitalist system oppressing her and take the lead of all exploited peoples’ struggle against this common enemy. This was for him a patriotic position based on visionary geopolitics, since the Reich was thus called to become the centre of gravity of the socialist Europe of a coming collective epoch, freed of bourgeois France’s imperialist hegemony. Schulze-Boysen initially went to France to know the enemy and use the European idea in Germany’s national interest. Yet he was genuinely impressed by an emerging « non-conformist », pro-European yet anticapitalist intellectual milieu, to the point of becoming the German agent of its main organ, Philippe Lamour’s review Plans, which aimed to turn into a distinct revolutionary force across national and ideological boundaries the radical generational solidarity Schulze-Boysen was trying to articulate beyond party lines in his own review Gegner as a «rallying point for all young Germans who … seek an opportunity for common action in view of the creation of that federated Europe»(Lamour) outlined in Plans by Marc’s Ordre Nouveau movement since 1931. Schulze-Boysen thus steered Lamour and Marc among his German contacts as they tried to infuse French personalist ideas into the late Weimar revolutionary situation, and helped them organize the Frankfurt Congress of Revolutionary European Youth in 1932. Ultimately, expedient action prevailed over all theories for the eclectic, selflessly opportunistic Schulze-Boysen, for whom Europe was a possibly doomed battlefield in the worldwide struggle of forces of collective progress against those of private privilege, whereas action was subordinate to rigorous personalist doctrine for Marc as another professional revolutionary, only in the service of the European idea, understood as a ternary personalist alternative to the inhumanity of binary oppositions.

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ABDUCTION OF EUROPE: A MATTER IN CHANGE

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The idea of Europe is imagined in visual arts by different ways, both direct and indirect. But since the times of antiquity the classical art knows at least one clear and evident personification of that idea, - it is the image of so-called Abduction of Europe (or Rape of Europe). My
The paper is devoted to the vast iconography of this story, which inspired the artists during the centuries.

The aim of the examination is to represent the Abduction of Europe in its transformations – as a sort of special symbol containing our memories of Europe. The meaning of the images is evidently shifting from antiquity to the midst XVIII c., and in the early XX c. it becomes more than the story told by Ovid and Horace. For the short time it turned into the whole adjusted complex where traditional cultural meaning was reflected and merged with political ideas. After the World War II the Abduction of Europe is based mainly on the political context that made the image suitable for use in contemporary political iconography.

Thus, the paper focuses on three key aspects in representations of this ancient myth. It starts from the classical images and their programs (including those by Titian, Veronese, Rembrandt, Claude Lorrain, Coypel, Boucher, etc). Then the neoclassical understanding of Europe in the early XX c. will be discussed using example of Wittelsbacherbrunnen (by Adolf Hildebrand, Munich). In XXI c., the myth re-emerges as a commonplace of the European idea (The Abduction of Europe, statue in front of European Parliament building, Strasbourg, France, and some other official pieces of art). Separate memories of Europe are turning into something absolute and total.


IDEAS OF EUROPE IN THE POST-COLONIAL AFRICAN LUSOPOHON LITERATURE

Fernanda Santos

The common characteristics of the Portuguese speaking African countries derive from their colonial heritage, or from the fact of having been made created and shaped by a colonial system.

‘Colonialism’ means the form of economical and cultural exploitation that arose with the expansion of Europe.
The term 'post-colonialism' is used to cover the study and analysis of European territorial conquests and the various institutions of European colonialism. It also covers, above all, the different reactions to such incursions.

It is mainly from the publication of Edward Said, Orientalism (1978), that critical and theoretical studies on post-colonialism are developed. The theoretical studies on post-colonialism attempt to manage the production conditions and the sociocultural contexts in which they develop the new literature, avoiding to treat them as extensions of European literature and evaluating the originality of these ones.

The post-colonial perspective is less a change in subject of study than another way to interpret the European tradition, reading it from a point of view both inside and outside Europe.

The post-colonial literature is characterized by utopical and distopical visions: the same way that points to the future, in a constructive way, this literature also shows a present time corroded by war and an uncertain future. The post-colonial literature demands a better society, because it has a commitment to the future and with political change, creating new opportunities in the perception of problems.

The 60’s were the decade that laid the foundations of African utopian fiction, and the 80’s the decade that joined distopical and heterotopical writing, in which prevails multiple literary choices, while or after reading the deconstructive strategy of the African society in post-independence.
sation and humanity, to which Christianity and Enlightenment have been give the decisive stimulus.

The reflections of this lecture will analyse the concepts of Europe in the works by these authors from the perspective of philosophy of history and regard those concepts as an irreversible but simultaneously contested process.

**EU’S RESTRUCTURING – ASSIGNMENT OF A NEW COURSE AND A NEW MEANING TO THE EUROPEAN INTEGRATION**

Grigore Silasi

The challenges which the European integration dealt with over the last several years have revealed a ‘tired’ Europe and European citizens who do not expect miracles anymore. Once the Cold War was put an end, the European integration moved from the economic and monetary area to the politic one. The federal prospect became obvious, but the Europeans were not so willing to give up their own State. The relaunch will occur from some other direction – one could hardly say which. The relaunch might not come from the country which was in the centre of the European integration in the past, if it did not succeed in the economic and social area.

The restructuring must result in a building which should go beyond the stage of “politically unidentified object”, “an armless giant” and “a marching troop”. Reshaping the centre of interest implies to assign a new course and a new meaning the European integration by taking into consideration the 2004 and 2007 enlargements and focusing upon a new social model in order to facilitate full employment and active social protection at all the social levels throughout the united Europe. The new European social model should aim at reinforcing incitements to work and individual working opportunities in the labour market, as it will use two main elements: life-long learning & training and belated retirement. In response to demographic difficulties, at the same time, the new social model will integrate the larger globalized structure, where increased mobility is expected to move competition to new regions.

IDEAS OF EUROPE IN THE ANCIENT WORLD: THE WEST AND THE EAST IN HERODOTUS’ PERCEPTION OF HIS WORLD

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Herodotus of Halicarnassus (Vth century BC), who Cicero, in De Legibus, calls “father of History”, was the author of the well-known The Histories, in which he gives an account of the Medo-Persians wars and of the events that had preceded them. In the Prologue of Book I, Herodotus reveals that is his aim to expose the reasons that have caused the conflicts between Greeks and non-Greeks (or Barbarians), or, in the words of some Hellenists, the reasons for the conflicts between Europe and Asia (between the West and the East): the abduction of Io, Europe, Medea and Helen.

It is during the Medo-Persians wars that is set up, for the first time, the feeling of a Europe that represents the sense of freedom, in opposition of the Asiatic despotism. Starting from Herodotus´s work, for whom Greece is a metonymy of Europe, it is our purpose to expose his historical and mythological perpective of the confrontation between the West and the East, a topic that, today, is very presente in our lives.


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EUROPE IN THE WORLD: PLAYING CHESS GAMES OR SOMETHING ELSE?

Noémia Simões

When facing global challenges: the severe problems of global warming, the global shift of economic powers in the world, societies’ fragmentation, terrorism threatens, etc, should we look at the scene as if it were “an enormous and scaring chess game”?
Which are the rules of this ‘chess game’? Are they simply rational rules as stated in games theory or is it/should it be something else?

Concerning Europe’s political strategy in the world scene, the questions of identity arise: Is there an European identity or is Europe just a part of a global melting pot? What is the role of European identity, of traditions, faith and values in playing the games of development, in economic and social policies, in establishing alliances and strategies of commitment?

Which place for utopias in the world scene? How should Europe play in order to build sustainable knowledge societies?

In this presentation we’ll try to make a brief discussion on these theoretical questions through interdisciplinary views: a confront between economics and sociological thinking and an analysis when possible also supported by statistics modelling looking at past and present in order to envisage better possible futures.


WHO ARE WE; EUROPEANS? HOW CAN EUROPEANS LEARN WITH AMERICANS ABOUT THEIR OWN POLITICAL IDENTITY

Viriato Soromenho-Marques

Since the foundation of the United States of America the relationship between Washington and the Old Continent was shaped by dynamic, different, and sometimes contradictory forces that drove Europe, with its imperial and warlike powers, off the central stage in which world history is decided.

However the direct or implicit impact of the United States in modern Europe, engaged in the tortuous path of building its own Union, needs probably more now then ever before, a deep and accurate theoretical reflection, departing from the European side, on the experience offered by what happened in the Western Atlantic shores. The understanding of the long and adventurous political process in which American federal republicanism evolved, in continuous constitutional tensions, amendments and debates, should be a fruitful source of wisdom for the political avenues of destiny which Europeans are seeking today for their own future.

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**FROM EXCLUSION TO HOSPITALITY, FROM TRANSGRESSION TO CULTURAL DIFFERENCE, THE EUROPEAN PENDULUM**

Nadja Stamselberg

Europeanness today (Habermas, Derrida, Buman, Balibar) is associated with cosmopolitanism and hospitality, as a pluralistic identity in which diverse peoples – including those from beyond the geographic borders of Europe – can find their home. Yet its origin as an identity that appealed was intrinsically related to identification with Christendom vis-a-vis the non-Christian realms of Africa and Asia. My paper traces the path by which the exclusionary concept of a Christian Europe defined against the other evolved into a pluralistic Europe that aspires to embrace and unify in diversity – with all the tensions that such a transformation necessarily involves. Revisiting the history of the emergence and development of the idea of Europe serves as an exceptionally good locus from which to show the relationship between the historic hegemonic power of Christendom and the alternative modes of sovereignty that led to the current European post-national constellation. This horizon that is clearly bounded by the original tension between the ‘universal’, the general, the homogenous and the ‘particular’, the local, the ethnic, the difference, is also that of irreducible pairing of belonging and exclusion. In fact, teasing out the historical precursors opens up a platform from which to try to get accustomed to this analysis.

The paper examines the evolution of the alleged transgression committed that subsequently resulted in exclusion but in time become cultural difference that was to be appropriated in the concepts of cosmopolitanism and hospitality. Identifying what characteristics were and are perceived as making someone ‘non-European’ it investigates the way in which concepts of ‘European’ and ‘non-European’ relates to religious, national, racial and political. Furthermore, it traces the parallel emergence of European identity and of European exclusion, exploring how successive generations of thinkers conceptualised this dichotomy and to explain how our current sense of Europeanness has come to be what it is. For it is only with an understanding of the exclusive past of Europeanness that its alleged inclusive present can be understood.

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Today one of the central questions in a Europe which prides itself because of its enlightened, reasoned and humanistic traditions is the contact with and the handling of strangers. The fact that the shaping of this self-image of the European Enlightenment could only come about in contrast to and by depreciation of the exoticised Other is one of the dark sides of European Enlightenment and Modern times which deserves illumination by critical analysis of the texts of Enlightenment.

In the presentation one of the founding texts of European Enlightenment, the Encyclopédie of Diderot and d’Alembert, will be analysed using Edward W. Said’s method of contrapuntal reading. Aim is to find out about the reciprocal interplay of the European self-image during the Enlightenment with images of the exotic and oriental Others. Another aim is to analyse topoi of the Other and European constructions of Self as well as literary methods of this phenomenon. In the first step those topoi and figures from the corpus of knowledge of the Encyclopédie will be identified which represent the Other by name - for example “barbarian”, “slave”, “savage” or “hottentot”, or which appear to be genuinely European conceptions such as “Europe”, “knowledge”, “subjects”, “philosophers” and last but not least “encyclopedia” itself. During this step certain mechanisms of differentiation and marginalisation appear as well as the various penetrations and traces of the “Other in the Self”. In a second step the symbols of the text are described, referring to the symbols of the Other in the text. For example discursive methods to raise an inventory including the Other and narrating the Other in the knowledge of that time as e.g. the complex intertextual structure of references and the systematisation of knowledge. The presentation will finish with a tentative approach to the topology and poetry of the Other as found in the Encyclopédie as an exemplary text of European Enlightenment.

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CRISIS, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEMOCRACY. EUROPE AT A CROSS-ROADS?

Bernhard Taureck

The actual crisis of economy is not only a result of economic mismanagement or political failure. It also results from an erroneous usage of the term “growth” in economy and from the more and more tautological signifier “democracy.” This contribution attempts to analyse the crisis while replacing the failed uses of “growth” and “democracy” by different concepts. It will equally stress the chances and risks for the making of Europe in giving a different meaning to “economical growth” and “democracy.”


EUROPEAN CONSCIOUSNESS IN THE EARLY MODERN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

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IS THE TIME NIGHT? VISIONS OF A “NEW EUROPE” THROUGH THE WRITINGS OF LIUDMILA PETRUSHEVSKAIA AND CARMEN MARTIN GAITE

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It has often been observed that Spain and Russia, both situated at the ‘outer edge’ of Europe, were subjected to the violent imposition of non-European cultures and ideas upon them for many centuries. As a result of this similar geographic and national situation, Russian and Spanish visions of Europe may share many vital points in common. This paper will demonstrate that at critical historical moments of change in Spain and Russia, women writers were able to reflect upon these upheavals in their literary works and through their female
protagonists present new constructs of gender and identity; at the same time these writers go beyond their own national boundaries and interact with ideas for and of Europe. Liudmila Petrushevksaia’s key text *Time – Night*, written shortly before the fall of the USSR, shows a country which has deteriorated and crumbled away, leaving in its wake dysfunctional families who exist on the outer limits of a cruel and heartless society. Does Petrushevksaia’s harrowing vision merely reflect the lives of Russian women or does it describe a wider European scene in which such values as compassion, integrity, self-sacrifice have been lost forever? The work of the Catalan writer Mercè Rodoreda *Diamond Square* charts the life of a young women in Barcelona against a background of the years prior to the Spanish Civil War and its aftermath. Reaching a new sense of self-awareness after decades of entrapment and hardship, Rodoreda’s protagonist reflects in the closing pages of the novel on the future that awaits the ‘new woman’ in the wider Europe, beyond the confines of Diamond Square. Additional references will be made to selected works of Carmen Martín Gaite and Antonina Kopitjäeva, both of whom wrote during the Franco and Stalin dictatorships respectively — yet they were able to portray women protagonists who went beyond the stereotypical depiction of female characters imposed by the restrictions of censorship. All the writers mentioned above allow the reader access to private female worlds and, at the same time, as will be shown, engage with ideas for and of Europe in meaningful and challenging ways. The paper will conclude with references to Rodoreda’s *Broken Mirror*, a text in which the ideas examined in the course of this paper are expressed in a profound and almost prophetic way.

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**EDUCATION, INTERCULTURALISM, AND THE NEW EUROPE**

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In his paper “Education, Interculturalism, and the New Europe,” Steven Tötösy de Zepetnek discusses how intermediality may influence negotiations of culture and education, and how, in turn, cultural and educational practices can employ new media with the result of an increase in social impact and significance. While along other notions and practices, work towards interculturalism with new media against exclusion and away from cultural essentialisms represents a small part for the development of a Europe of inclusion, it nevertheless offers significant potential. Intermediality refers to the blurring of generic and formal boundaries among different forms of new media practices and it means the employment of theoreti-
cal presuppositions in application for the betterment of society against essentialisms and
towards inclusion and interculturalism. Thus, the notion and potential of intermediality is as-
associated with the incorporation of digital media in a wide variety of loci and spaces of repre-
sentation and production in the transfer of information, the creation of knowledge, and the
implementation of inclusive social practices and policy in education. The trajectories of inter-
medial spaces between new media and the proliferation of texts, intertexts, hypertexts, and
similar acts of remediation, transmediality, multimediality, hypermediality, etc., reveal and
offer possibilities about how culture can be negotiated in the context of social and techno-
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TOWARDS A MORE INCLUSIVE EUROPEAN IMMIGRATION POLICY

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The recently passed ‘European pact on immigration and asylum’ seeks to harmonise the
procedures of European member states in regards to the movements of legal and illegal mi-
grants, and people in search of asylum. While constructing a ‘Europe of asylum’ features
amongst the points outlined in the pact; a closer reading reveals that the project of a ‘fortress
Europe’ still seems to underlie the pact. Thus the most concrete passages of the pact all
relate to the return of irregular aliens to their countries of origin. I would like to suggest that
the pact takes for granted the idea of a Europe that “does not have the resources to decently
receive all the migrants who hope to find a better life here” that is clearly distinct and divided
from a non-European outside that is the source of these migrants. I want to question this as-
sumption by drawing on the work of Paul Gilroy; and suggest that it ignores the ways in
which both these spheres have been connected as part of the same process of modernisa-
tion that has constructed the entity we now refer to as ‘Europe’ – and that the ‘non-European’
has long been at the underbelly of this process. In other words, the ‘non-European’ was his-
torically an indispensable part of the construction of present day Europe; they form part of
the same cultural space but one of them has been the source of exploitation for the benefit of
the other. As such there is an entitlement by the inhabitants of these ‘non-European’ areas
to access of that geographic location that we now term ‘Europe’. The cordonning off of these areas ignores the cultural flows that have formed both the ‘European’ and ‘non-European’ and mark them as part of the same, making the very idea of a distinct Europe highly problematic. We thus need to abandon the project of a ‘fortress Europe’ and move to a more open and inclusive immigration policy than that outlined in the current pact; a policy that does not see immigration as the intrusion by a dangerous outside.

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EUROPE, PHOTOGRAPHED AND REVEALED BY PAULO NOZOLINO AND RUI NUNES

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Paulo Nozolino’s photographs and Rui Nunes’ texts, put together in a same volume (Far Cry, Steidl, 2005), delineate an itinerary within and outside Europe, followed throughout a few decades. The photographs in black and white accentuate a tragic vision of personal and collective history, with emblematic emphasis on the main gate of Auschwitz, and the memory of Nazism and the war. Rui Nunes’ texts, although they do not specifically follow the photographs, operate a sort of “revelation” from underneath, bringing up to the surface the personal stories intertwined with the collective history. Together, both images and words build up a vision of Europe which, as in Cortázar’s short story and Antonioni’s movie based on it, digs up memories submersed but still powerfully active.


A RETURN TO THE FUTURE: HOW WILL EUROPE BE ABLE TO OVERCOME ITS PRESENT CRISIS?

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The present crisis of European integration implies an important chance for a new beginning: As it is the crisis of a determinate model and strategy of Europeanization which has been
brought into place in the 1980s, it offers the chance of a new start. As the model and strategy presently in crisis has been, to a large degree, defined with reference to the global role of Europe and its competitive position on the world market, such a new start could take its bearings from redefining a new role of Europe in global co-operation on the basis of fair trade and finance in face of the on-going processes of crisis.

Such a new co-operative role would require a thorough redefinition of the model and strategy of European co-operation: a new model of a ‘mixed economy’ with a leading role for member states and civil society organizations, an enlarged idea of economic reproduction, taking on board concerns of social cohesion, gender equity, and ecological stabilization, an opening of European institutions to democratic control and popular participation, an explicit commitment to the support of peaceful conflict solution in the European neighbourhood.

The needed transformation will have to be brought about by a new ‘investment’ of member states’, civil societies’, and social movements’ politics in European affair, creating a new European dynamics towards political solutions and overcoming elitist and technocratic closure. The European Institutions, with the European Parliament at their centre, could take an active role in this by providing spaces and channels to be used by emerging new networks ‘from below’. Only after ‘European politics’ will have become a real and alive part of all political arenas on all levels of political institutions and processes in Europe, it will make sense to bring to live again what has been conceived as the European constitutional process.


OSKAR SCHINDLER AND RAOUL WALLENBERG – NATIONAL, EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN HEROES IN THE POST-WAR AGE OF THE HOLOCAUST

Ulf Zander

I would like to focus on the European reception of two “righteous gentiles” – Oskar Schindler and Raoul Wallenberg. My aim is to compare their status on national levels. Their statuses have been very varied over the years in their home countries, Germany and Sweden. However, Schindler and Wallenberg have also been subjects for ongoing debates and/or celebrations in other countries, for example Schindler in the Czech Republic, Wallenberg in Germany. They have also been used as both European and American symbols in an ongoing struggle against xenophobia and racism. To take one example was Klaus Dexter’s documen-
The Case of Raoul Wallenberg “an excellent example of how we can keep our European history alive” (“Wallenbergfilm belönad på festival”, http://ec.europa.eu/sverige/news/topics/culture/news_date_698_sv.htm).

Of great importance is the medialisation of Schindler and Wallenberg. In what ways have they become national, European, American and even universal symbols? How have (popular) cultural representations of them and their efforts during World War II shaped the images of them in different European contexts during the last decades? Of special interest are receptions of Steven Spielberg’s successful film Schindler’s List in Sweden, Germany and the Czech Republic, as well as reactions on the opera Wallenberg, performed both in Germany and Estonia.