Workshop
The Impacts of National Identities for European Integration as a Focus of Citizenship Education
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8 - 11 September, 2007
Tallinn, Estonia

PROGRAMME
An expanded EU’s capacity to act, as well as its acceptance in the wider international community, is closely coupled to questions involving its political and social interactions with the growing ethnic, cultural, religious and linguistic diversity in the European Union. As a ‘European’ self-image grows, the continuing importance of questions having to do with minorities, the examination of historical events, and collective remembrance in the nations of Central and Eastern Europe becomes more important than ever before. This was highlighted as recently as April of 2007 by the violent clashes in Estonia caused largely by differing interpretations of historical events that took place between Estonians and Russians.

In cooperation with the University of Tartu’s Centre for Ethics, the German Federal Agency for Civic Education and the Goethe-Institut Tallinn have organised a conference, and invited a small number of young academics from across Europe who are involved in comparative studies of citizenship education or its research to attend. Participants in the ‘The Impacts of National Identities for European Integration as Focus of Citizenship Education’ workshop were asked to either describe their current project, and/or provide a brief appraisal of the state of research of citizenship education as it pertains to the following topics:

• What impact do nationalism and national identity have on the mediation of European topics and values?
• Is there only a potential for conflict, or can they help drive the motor of European integration?
• What does the relationship between national and European identity look like?
• What values and models are these founded on? Is national identity directly opposed to European identity?
• Does nationalism have a negative effect on the acceptance of the European integration process, and the support given European ideals such as democracy, the market economy, the rule of law, or freedom?
• What importance is placed on coming to terms with history and memory?
• What influence does citizenship education have on the stress ratio of national and European identity in ethnically heterogeneous societies?

‘The Impacts of National Identities for European Integration as Focus of Citizenship Education’ workshop aimed on the one hand to provide a picture of the current academic discourse on citizenship, as well as a networking opportunity for professionals in the field. On the other hand, by introducing those professionals to exemplary projects, it sought to emphasize the education and mediation role of citizenship education in national and European identity training courses.
Saturday, September 8, 2007

3:00-4:30 p.m. Arrival and registration / hotel check-in

5:30 p.m. Group walk through the old city of Tallinn
Meeting point is the foyer in the Savoy Boutique Hotel

7:00 p.m. 'Conference Suite' at the Savoy Boutique Hotel

**Moderation:** Prof. Dr. Anne Sliwka, University of Trier, Germany
Dr. Claus Haas, Danish University of Education, Denmark

**Welcoming Remarks**
*Petra Grüne* (Federal Agency for Civic Education)
*Heli Meisterson* (Goethe-Institut Tallinn)
*Margit Sutrop* (Centre for Ethics)

Participants introduce themselves

7:45 p.m. **Statement**
Mobility, Identity, Citizenship
*Prof. Dr. Ivaylo Ditchev*, Sofia University, Bulgaria

8:30 p.m. Dinner in the restaurant ‘Maikrahv’
*Raekoja plats 8, www.maikrahv.ee*

Sunday, September 9, 2007

8:30 a.m. Meeting point for the shuttle transport is the foyer in the Savoy Boutique Hotel

9:00 a.m. Bus transfer to Villa Mary

10:00 a.m. Introduction by the moderators

**Session 1**
Citizenship Education Between Ethnicity - Identity – Nationality:
Scientific Findings and Country-specific Comparisons

**Statement**
Debating Europe - Identity and Citizenship in a European Democracy
*Cornelia Bruell*, Institute for European Integration Research (eif), Austria

10:30 a.m. Contribution from Estonia
Civic and Citizenship Education in post-transitional Estonia: the Burden of History
*Prof. Anu Toots*, Tallinn University, Estonia

**Input**
The Russian Perspective
*Nikolai Meinert*, Information Service ‘OU USPEH.ee’, Finland

Discussion

12:00 a.m. Contribution from Poland
*Anna Olga Radiukiewicz*, Pultusk Academy of Humanities, Poland

Discussion
Contribution from Turkey
Dr. Nalan Soyank Sentürk, Baskent University, Turkey

Discussion

Lunch

Introduction by the moderators

Session 2
The Culture of Memory in Europe – the Foundation for the Integration of Europe

Statement
Dr. Stefan Auer, La Trobe University, Australia

Discussion

Input
Citizenship Education and addressing the Culture of Memory in Eastern Europe
Dr. Stefan Auer, La Trobe University, Australia

Input
Citizenship Education and addressing the Culture of Memory in Western Europe
Dr. Fabrice Larat, University of Mannheim, Germany

Discussion

Evening buffet in the Villa Mary

Bus transfer to Tallinn

Monday, September 10, 2007

Meeting point for the shuttle transport is the foyer in the Savoy Boutique Hotel

Bus transfer to Villa Mary

Introduction by the moderators

Session 3
The Relationship Between National and European Identity:
What Values and Approaches Communicates Citizenship Education in Schools and Other Education Centres?

Input
Culture, Identity and Citizenship Education in Teacher Education. Examples from Finland
Dr. Riitta Korhonen, University of Turku at Rauma, Finland

Presentations of Educational Projects

Rael Artel, Independent curator of contemporary art, Estonia
Public Preparation Project

Dr. Riitta Korhonen, University of Turku at Rauma, Finland
Project: Children’s Identity & Citizenship in Europe
Mgr. Ing. Danka Moravčíková, Faculty of Economics and Management, SAU Nitra, Slovakia
*Project: Multicultural Education for European Citizenship, MEEC*

Prof. Dr. Anne Sliwka, University of Trier, Germany
*Project: Learning and Living Democracy in heterogeneous Societies (3 cases)*

Dr. Kees Ribbens, Netherlands Institute for War Documentation (NIOD), The Netherlands
*Project: Facing Changes: how can History remain relevant?*

Discussion

1:00 p.m. Lunch

2:30 p.m. **Presentations of Educational Projects (continued)**

Discussion (continued)

6:30 p.m. Evening buffet at the Villa Mary

9:00 p.m. Bus transfer to Tallinn

**Tuesday, September 11, 2007**

In the ‘Conference Suite’ of the Savoy Boutique Hotel

9:30 a.m. Input / Synopsis of discussions / Perspectives

Discussion

12:00 p.m. Lunch (Savoy Boutique Hotel)

Participants depart
**Information**

**Workshop Venue:**  
Villa Mary  
Fon: 00372 66 77 111  
http://villamary.cma.ee

**Restaurant:**  
Maikrahv  
Raekoja plats 8  
10148, Tallinn  
www.maikrahv.ee

**Accommodations:**  
Savoy Boutique Hotel  
Suur-Karja 17/19  
10148 Tallinn, Estonia  
http://www.savoyhotel.ee

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