

# NETWORKING EUROPEAN CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION



## 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.

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**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 Ditchhev**, 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

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- 12:45 p.m. Contribution from **Turkey**  
**Dr. Nalan Soyarik Sentürk**, Baskent University, Turkey
- Discussion
- 1:30 p.m. Lunch
- 2:30 p.m. 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
- 3:30 p.m. **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
- 6:30 p.m. Evening buffet in the Villa Mary
- 9:00 p.m. Bus transfer to Tallinn

## Monday, September 10, 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 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
- 11:00 a.m. **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*

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**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

<b>Tuesday, September 11, 2007</b>
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## **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

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## Information

- Workshop Venue:** **Villa Mary**  
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<http://villamary.cma.ee>
- Restaurant:** **Maikrahv**  
Raekoja plats 8  
10148, Tallinn  
[www.maikrahv.ee](http://www.maikrahv.ee)
- Accommodations:** **Savoy Boutique Hotel**  
Suur-Karja 17/19  
10148 Tallinn, Estonia  
<http://www.savoyhotel.ee>
- Scandic Hotel Palace**  
Vabaduse väljak 3  
10141 Tallinn, Estonia  
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