

Hungarian society in 2012: trends and perspectives in EU comparison

Conference of the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung

Budapest, 22-23 November 2012

(Mercure Budapest City Center, 1052 Budapest, Váci utca 20.)

First day

13:00–13:30: Registration

13:30–13:40: Welcome and introduction: Heinz-Albert Huthmacher, Director (Friedrich Ebert Stiftung)

13:40–13:50: Social reporting in Europe, Heinz-Herbert Noll, Director of Social Indicators Research Centre (ZSi), at GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Germany

13:50–14:00: Social Reporting in Hungary: Tamás Kolosi, President, Táarki Social research Institute (TÁRKI), Budapest

Session 1: Social and economic context

Chair: Károly Fazekas Director,

Institute of Economics Research Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences (IE CERS HAS)

14:00–14:20	Is it worth to study? The role of education in shaping social structure	Tamás Kolosi (TÁRKI) – Tamás Keller (TÁRKI)
14:20–14:40	Demography, family, households	István Harcsa (KSH) – Judit Monostori (KSH)
14:40–15:00	Discussant	<i>Max Haller (Univ. of Graz)</i>
15:00–15:20	Vulnerable state, vulnerable households (The macroeconomic setting in 2012)	Gábor Oblath (Research Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, ELTE) – Éva Palócz (KOPINT-TÁRKI)
15:20–15:40	Competitiveness of the Hungarian economy	Péter Vakhai (KOPINT-TÁRKI)
15:40–16:00	Discussant	<i>Ákos Valentiny (Univ. of Cardiff)</i>
16:00–16:30	Coffee break	
16:30–16:50	Employment, unemployment and migration for jobs	Ágnes Hárs (KOPINT-TÁRKI)
16:50–17:10	Labour migration and pretty trade across borders	Júlia Koltai (ELTE) – Endre Sik (TÁRKI)
17:10–17:30	Discussant	<i>Martin Kahanec (assoc. Prof, CEU, Budapest and IZA, Bonn)</i>

Second day

Session 2: Poverty, inequality and social conditions

Chair: Zsolt Spéder Director, Hungarian Central Statistical Office – Demographic Research Institute

9:30–10:00	Registration	
10:00–10:20	Income inequality on the long run in Hungary	Márton Medgyesi (TÁRKI) – István György Tóth
10:20–10:40	Child well being in Hungary as seen from an EU perspective	András Gábor (TÁRKI) – Marianna Kopasz
10:40–11:00	The role of Hungarian social policy in tackling inequality: trends in recent decades	Péter Szivós (TÁRKI)
11:00–11:20	Discussant	<i>Orsolya Lelkes (Eurocentre Vienna)</i>
11:20–11:50	Coffee break	
11:50–12:10	Low employment in the 50+ population in international comparisons	Gábor Kézdi (CEU-KTI) – János Divényi (CEU)
12:10–12:30	Networks and well-being of the 50+ population in 15 European countries	Annamária Gáti (TÁRKI)
12:30–12:50	Discussant	<i>Pieter Vanhuyse (Eurocentre, Vienna)</i>
12:50–13:50	Lunch	

Session 3: Subjective well-being and political attitudes in a European perspective

Chair: András Körösenyi Director, Political Science Research Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

13:50–14:10	Subjective well-being and material aspirations in EU comparison	Tamás Keller (TÁRKI)
14:10–14:30	Trust and social capital in Hungary	Zoltán Fábrián (TÁRKI)
14:30–14:50	Inequality and political participation in EU	Dániel Horn (KTI)
14:50–15:10	Discussant	<i>Heinz-Herbert Noll ((ZSI, GESIS, Mannheim)</i>
15:10–15:30	Inequality tolerance of various cohorts: Hungary in international perspective	Márton Medgyesi (TÁRKI)
15:30–15:50	The roots of radicalism and anti-roma attitudes on the far right	Anikó Bernát (TÁRKI) – Péter Krekó (Political Capital) – Attila Juhász (Political Capital) – Csaba Molnár (Political Capital)
15:50–16:10	Discussant	<i>Krzysztof Zagorski (Kozminski Univ. Warsaw)</i>
16:10–16:40	Coffee break	

16:40–18:10 Panel of discussant: the situation of Hungarian social and economic conditions – from discussant perspectives

Moderator: István György Tóth (TÁRKI)

Participants: Max Haller, Martin Kahanec, Orsolya Lelkes, Heinz-Herbert Noll, Ákos Valentiny, Pieter Vanhuyse, Krzysztof Zagorski

18:10-18:25: Closing words István György Tóth (Director of Tárki Social Research Institute)

