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SPEAKERS and their CVs

Rado BOHINC

Dr. Rado Bohinc (b.1949) graduated at University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Law (1971), become Master of Laws (Ljubljana 1985) and Doctor of Law (Ljubljana, 1987). His doctoral thesis was on relationship of property rights and corporate governance. He was appointed assistant professor at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of social sciences in 1986 and has been teaching company, securities, labour and EU law since then. In the mean time he served as a minister of science and technology (1992-1996) and as the minister of internal affairs (2001-2004) of the Slovene government. In 1999 he was a Fulbright scholar at University of California, School of Law. In 2003 he was appointed as full time professor at University of Ljubljana and at the University of Maribor. He is the president of the council of Slovene Science Foundation. In November 2007, he was elected rector of the University of Primorska, Slovenia.

He is an editor-in-chief of the Company and Labour (Review for Companies and Labour law), and author of several articles on company and securities, labour and EU law. He is one of the authors of The big Commentary of the Slovene Law on Commercial Companies, edited in 2007. He has also edited several books on company law, labour and public servants law, corporate governance, public law entities, etc. His recent books are (in Slovene): Law of the EU, (2007), Public law entities, 2005, Corporate Governance (co-author: Bratina B.), 2005; Labour and Public Servants relations, 2003); Corporate governance in US, EU and Slovenia (a comparative analysis), 2000, The director of business corporation (co-author: Ivanjko Š), 1999.

Boris DULAR

Dr. Boris Dular was born in 1954 in Novo mesto, Slovenia. In 1978, he graduated at the Department of Pedagogy, Faculty of Arts of the University in Ljubljana. He continued his studies and in 1996, first received a Master's Degree in General Management and in 2002, a Doctor's Degree in the field of Sociology at the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University in Ljubljana.

His area of work covers the field of education and human resource management. He was employed by Krka tovarna zdravil, d.d. in 1990; first he held the function of Head of the Personnel Department, while in 2005 he was appointed Director of Human Resources, which is still his current position.

He is actively participating at professional meetings dealing with human resource management in Slovenia and abroad, and has written several articles and contributions



published in professional journals. As an external lecturer he teaches about practical case experience at different faculties.

He chairs the Expert Council of human resource managers and experts within the Slovenian Association for Human Resource Management and Industrial Relations.

Michel FEUTRIE

Doctor in Sociology of Education, 60 years

- President of EUCEN (European Universities Continuing Education Network) and senior academic at the Université des Sciences et technologies de Lille
- Up to February 2007 Vice-President of the Université des Sciences et Technologies de Lille, in charge of Continuing Education
- Director of the « Commission Nationale de la Certification Professionnelle (CNCP)», the new French Agency in charge of registration in a national “Répertoire (RNCP)” all forms of qualifications in France (public and private) from May 2002 to September 2006
- Past President of the French Association of Directors of Continuing Education Services in Universities

2000 **Current Activities**

My activities during these last years have been mainly concentrated on three combined fields.

- First field: lifelong learning. As vice-president of the Université des Sciences et Technologies de Lille in charge of continuing education, I contributed to the involvement of my university in an experimental step aiming at transforming the establishment into a lifelong learning organisation, offering real opportunities for returns between work and education, contributing to the development of individual personal and professional routes. I also developed this approach as President of the Conference of directors of University continuing education Services contributing to start a movement from specific approaches separated from the core activity of the university to a more integrated approach, embedded in the strategy of the university.
- Second field: validation of non formal and informal learning. As leader of various working groups, I contributed, in connection with the Ministry for Education - Department of Higher Education -, in the definition of regulations, arrangements, development of tools and of training sessions for actors. I published many articles, carried out several reports and done a lot of presentations in conferences in France and in Europe. From the middle of the nineties I managed and participated with other European universities in Leonardo programmes supporting the exchanges on reflections and practices, working on common tools and developing partnerships with companies.
- Third field: qualifications systems. In 2002 the Prime Minister asked me to deal with a new Commission, the “Commission Nationale de la Certification professionnelle”. The role of this Commission is double. First, to conceive and build up a national list of the whole qualifications awarded by public and private institutions (Répertoire National des Certifications Professionnelles). Second, to investigate and evaluate the



recording appropriateness in the Repertory of all qualifications which are not created by the State or which did not receive an approval from the State as a preliminary.

Manja KLEMENČIČ

is Postdoctoral Fellow at the Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies at Harvard University and Independent Researcher in Slovenia registered with the Slovenian Research Agency. In her present research she investigates various aspects of university reform policies falling broadly into the domains of university quality assurance and including themes such as institutionalising educational innovation, practices for fostering student competence-acquisitions, and improving pedagogy. Manja's interest in European higher education goes back to her serving as Secretary-General of the European Students' Union between 1998 and 2001 (then called ESIB) during the critical years for European higher education due to the launching of Bologna Process. On behalf of ESIB, Manja participated in the Bologna Follow-Up Groups, the Evaluation Group of the Socrates Programme, the Committee on Higher Education and Research of the Council of Europe, the Task Force for Education and Youth within the Stability Pact for SEE, the Academic Task Force for Kosovo and contributed as speaker at numerous higher education conferences. She received her PhD from Centre of International Studies, University of Cambridge where she investigated the role of strategic relationships and coalitions in EU intergovernmental negotiations. She also holds M.Phil. in European Studies from Faculty of History, University of Cambridge and BA in Business and Economics, with major in International Trade, from School of Business and Economics, University of Maribor. During her PhD studies, Manja was a Fulbright Fellow at Centre for Business and Government at John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University and UACES Fellow at Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) in Brussels.

Dr Pat DAVIES

Dr Pat Davies is currently Projects Director of the European Universities Continuing Education Network (EUCEN) and was for 7 years up to 2007, the Executive Secretary of EUCEN (www.eucen.org) responsible for all aspects of the Association's management, activities and networking.

She has spent her academic life teaching and researching in the field of university continuing education, adult education and lifelong learning and has published widely on this theme, especially comparative studies and analyses of European policy. She has directed many European projects on consumer education, the recognition of non-formal and informal learning, quality in university lifelong learning (ULLL), and importantly for this conference a project on the development of ULLL and the Bologna reforms: BeFlex – Benchmarking Flexibility in the Bologna Process: www.eucen.org/BeFlex/index.html

Kauko HÄMÄLÄINEN

Professor, Director, University of Helsinki, Palmenia Centre of Continuing Education



In the present position as director of Palmenia Centre for Continuing Education I started in the beginning of 2004. The services of Palmenia Centre include continuing education (short and long courses, professional development programmes and master's programmes), applied research, development services for organisations and regions and international projects. Palmenia operates in 6 different cities in southern Finland. In 2007 we had 17 000 students, 550 training programmes, 100 research and development projects as well as 30 international projects. Our revenue is 24 Million Euros and our staff 220 persons.

I have been a steering group member of EUCEN for three years and one year as a vice president. At the moment I am the vice-president of the University Continuing Education Network in Finland (UCEF), the chairman of the board of the National Evaluation Council (2003-2009). Since 1995 I have been the editor-of-chief of the journal Lifelong Learning in Europe. I have been the head editor of The Finnish Adult Education Journal for eight years. I am also a chairman of a national committee developing adult education in the Finnish universities.

From 1996 to 2002 I have been the secretary general of the Finnish Higher Education Evaluation Council. During 2003-2004 I was a professor of university pedagogy at the University of Helsinki. My special areas were pedagogical training of university teaching staff and quality of higher education. In 1997-2003 I was the vice-chairman and Secretary General of ENQA (European Network of Quality assurance). I have been a member of many international working groups by UNESCO (in-service-training of teachers, quality assurance in HE etc.) and OECD / CEPES.

I have been a member of many national committees and workshops dealing with adult education in HE, teacher training, educational management etc. I have been lecturing in many national and international seminars about quality of higher education, school improvement, staff development, educational management etc. I have published over 10 books and tens of monographs and articles about continuing education, quality of teaching and learning, quality assurance and educational management.

As an external evaluator of universities and continuing education centres I have acted e.g. in Austria, Portugal, Spain and Switzerland. I have also evaluated many projects and programmes in Europe and Africa.

Bernard HUGONNIER

Since 2002, **Bernard Hugonnier** has been the Deputy Director for Education at the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) that he joined in 1978. He previously held several positions across a range of OECD departments dealing with international investment, liberalisation of capital movements and services, multinational enterprises and regional development. He also served as Head of the Management and Restructuration Service, Director of the publications programme and Deputy Director for Public Affairs and Communication.

Mr. Hugonnier holds a PHD in economics; he studied at University of Paris and at Pittsburgh University. He is a lecturer in economics at University Paris-Sorbonne.



Hanne SMIDT

Senior Advisor, European University Association

Hanne Smidt started her career at Aarhus University working as a student guidance counsellor with special emphasis on the admission of students with prior learning and international qualifications.

She has worked in the Danish National Rectors' Conference with special responsibilities for the equivalence of degrees and the Danish NARIC. In 1992 she started working for the EC TEMPUS office in Brussels and has worked in Brussels since with both educational and research questions in various environments.

Hanne Smidt has been working as a Senior Advisor for the European University Association since 2001 and has been involved in a great variety of projects ranging from the quality culture projects to a study on "The funding of university-based research", Trends IV and is co-author of Trends V. Currently she is working on the development of a Lifelong Learning Charter for European Universities.

Mr András FORGÁCS

Born in Budapest, in 1936

*Majored in History and French literature in 1959, Eötvös Lorand University, Budapest
Faculty of Arts*

Present positions:

Adviser, Ministry of Education and Culture, Department for EU relations

*Adviser, National Development Agency, Office of the Vice Chairman responsible for
Development Policy issues*

*Visiting lecturer Eötvös Lorand University, Budapest, Faculty of Arts, Department of
Translation and Interpreting*

Professional career: *1959-1992 Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

*1994 onward until his retirement (1997) Ministry of Education, Deputy
State Secretary responsible for International relations*

Publications: *Author of several studies and papers related to educational policy implications
of Hungary's EU accession*

Command of foreign languages: *French, English, Modern Greek, Russian*

Marital status: *married, father of two daughters*

Mary STUART

Professor of Higher Education

Present Employment: Deputy Vice Chancellor, Kingston University

Qualifications

DPhil in Social Policy, The Open University 1998

BA (Hons) Social Sciences, The Open University 1983 –1990



BA in History and Drama, University of Cape Town, 1976 –1979

Mary Stuart is Deputy Vice-Chancellor at Kingston University. Previously she was Pro Vice-Chancellor at the University of Sussex where she had worked since 1992.

She is a sociologist by training and continues to supervise DPhil students. Her research is in the field of education and social policy with a particular interest in HE policy, global citizenship and social inclusion in education. Mary edits the Journal of Access Policy and Practice and her most recent publication is 'Making Choices for Higher Education' in *The International Journal of Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations* (2007) 6,1, 100-110. Mary has two new research projects for 2007/09; an HEA funded project on student diversity and extra-curricular activities and an ESRC project on social identity, cultural capital and minority ethnic students.

Mary has worked in a variety of settings over the years including, adult and further education, community development and the theatre.

Professor Sam ALLWINKLE

Director of Lifelong Learning at Napier University which is one of the leading institutions in Europe developing the concept of Lifelong Learning through Knowledge Transfer and Capacity Building, Widening Access, flexibility and credit accumulation to transform communities, businesses and citizens. Director within Academic Development Group responsible for Lifelong Learning and Wider Access including European Structural Funding.

During the last ten years has led over 20 major externally funded projects with a value in excess of 30 million Euros from both public and private sector and includes UK Know How Fund, DOE, Scottish Executive, SHEFC, LINK CMR, EPSRC, EC ESF ADAPT and ERDF, EC Tempus, EC COMETT, PHARE, EC, IST Fourth, Fifth and sixth Framework, R3L, Gruntvig and Socrates.

The EC funded project TELS (Towards a European Learning Society) was used to formulate EC policy on Learning Cities and Regions. He is currently involved with a number of EC funded projects e.g. INTELCITIES, LUDA, LILLIPUT, PALLACE, NEWTELS, R3L PROMOTER AND E-business projects to develop Learning cities and capacity building of SMEs. Current projects and focus is on Learning Cities and Communities, European Lifelong Learning Indicators (LILLIPUT, PALLACE, LUDA and INTELCITIES) funded by EC FP5, FP6, Socrates and Gruntvig.

He is also a director of the Edinburgh Lifelong Learning Partnership which is an organisation that represents Edinburgh City and includes Chamber of Commerce, City Council, Employment agencies, Universities and Colleges.

Barbara NOLAN

Barbara Nolan is an Irish official working in the European Commission since 1989.



She is currently Head of Unit in the Education and Culture Directorate General, with responsibility for Higher Education Policy, including the Bologna Process which aims to establish a European Higher Education Area. She is also responsible for management of the Erasmus Programme, which promotes student and staff mobility in Higher Education throughout Europe.

In 2007, she was responsible for the negotiations leading to the agreement to establish a European Institute of Technology (EIT).

Her previous posts in the European Commission include the following:

- Head of Unit in charge of Communication, Employment and Social Affairs Directorate General, 2005/2006.
- Head of Unit in charge of Anti-Discrimination Policy and Relations with Civil Society, Employment and Social Affairs Directorate General, 2001-2005.
- Assistant to the Director General, Employment and Social Affairs Directorate General, 2000/2001.
- European Commission Spokesperson for Employment, Social Affairs and Health matters, 1993/1999. Commission Spokesperson for Justice and Home Affairs 1993/1994.

Barbara Nolan studied Economics and Politics at University College Dublin, Ireland (Bachelor of Arts, 1980). She carried out her postgraduate studies at the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium (Diploma in Advanced European Studies – Economics Faculty, 1981).

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Education

1988-1989 absolved 2-semester specialist study of HEI Pedagogy, University of Zilina
1976-1977 absolved 4-semester study of Pedagogy in Higher Education, Komenius University, Bratislava
1972-1976 received the Ph.D. degree in Electric Traction and Electric Drives from the University of Zilina
1966-1971 received MSc. degree in Electric Traction and Power Engineering from the University of Zilina

Profile

Power quality, transmission and distribution of electrical energy, power supply for electric railways.

Actual position



2002-present vice-rector for education, University of Zilina (responsibilities: evaluation and accreditation of study programmes, pedagogical documentation, guidance of the faculties in teaching activities, quality issues)

Previous positions

1995-2002 associate professor, Department of Power Electric Systems, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, University of Zilina
2000-2002 chairman of the Academic Senate, University of Zilina
1990-1995 vice-dean for education, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, University of Zilina
1976-1990 senior lecturer, Department of Power Electric Systems, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, University of Zilina