



Europe Day 2014

University of Haifa

Thursday, May 15

General Program

1. International Academic Conference: Social Challenges in Contemporary Europe
2. European Market (11:30-18:00)
3. Lectures and Discussions with High School Students (14:00-17:30)

9:00 **Workshop** - HCGES M.A. Students present their Research Projects

[Location: Auditorium Student Building, Room101, 1st Floor]

Chair: **Dr. Ayelet Banai** (HCGES and School of Political Sciences, University of Haifa)

Participants: HCGES M.A. Students (TBA)

Prof. Vincenzo Cicchelli (University of Paris Descartes and Gemass, France)

Prof. Georg Vobruba (University of Leipzig, Germany)

Prof. Luis Baptista (New University of Lisbon, Portugal)

Prof. Suvi Ronkainen (University of Lapland, Finland)

Dr. Tally Katz-Gero (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Haifa)

10:00 Coffee Break

10:15 **International Academic Conference: Social Challenges in Contemporary Europe**

[Location: Auditorium Student Building, Room101, 1st Floor]

Opening: **Prof. Eli Salzberger**, Director HCGES, University of Haifa

Chair: **Dr. Tally Katz-Gero**, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Haifa

Session 1 – The cosmopolitan spirit: Socialization to otherness and mobility among young people in Europe

Prof. Vincenzo Cicchelli (University of Paris Descartes and Gemass, France)

General Secretary of the European Sociological Association, Chair of research network on "Global, Transnational and Cosmopolitan Sociology," and series editor of "Youth in a Globalizing World" (Brill Publisher, Leiden-Boston). His research interests include national and European Identities, the impact of globalization on youth, and cosmopolitan socialization.

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- 11:15 Session 2 - Urban Challenges in southwestern Europe: suburbanization and touristification. The Portuguese case
Prof. Luis Baptista (New University of Lisbon, Portugal)
Vice-dean of the Faculty of social sciences and humanities. His teaching and research are mainly in urban sociology and leisure activities. He is director of the CESNOVA (Center for Sociological Research). He was the vice-president and president of the Portuguese Sociological Association. He is a board member of the research network on southern European societies.
- 12:00 Session 3 - Violence as a social problem in the Nordic countries: Does criminal policy matter?
Prof. Suvi Ronkainen (University of Lapland, Finland)
Professor of Research methods and director of the centre of research education. Her research interests include gender and sexuality, sexual violence and practices of law, violent agency, and researching place.
- 12:45 Lunch Reception (invitees only)
- 13:45 Visit of the European Fair
- 14:30 **International Academic Conference: Social Issues in Contemporary Europe**
[Location: Auditorium Student Building, Room101, 1st Floor]
Session 4 – Currency and Conflict: Is the European Integration irreversible?
Prof. Georg Vobruba (University of Leipzig, Germany)
Served as president of the German Sociological Association and as member of the executive committee of the European Sociological Association. His main subjects of research are social policy, European integration, sociological theory of society, the Eurozone and the euro crisis.
- 15:15 **Presentation of Research Papers** of EU Grant Receivers at University of Haifa
[Location: Auditorium Student Building, Room101, 1st Floor]
Opening: **Prof. Michal Yerushalmy**, Dean and Head of the Research Authority, University of Haifa (TBC)
Chair: **Dr. Rachel Suissa**, HCGES Research Associate
Participants: EU Grant Receivers at the University of Haifa
Commentators: EU Ambassadors (TBA)
- 16:45 **Roundtable "The EU greatest challenges today"**
[Location: Auditorium Student Building, Room101, 1st Floor]
Opening: **Prof. David Faraggi** (TBC)
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Chair: Prof. Fania Oz-Salzberger, HCGES

Participants: **Carl Magnus Nesser**, Ambassador of Sweden to Israel (TBC)
Jacek Chodorowicz, Ambassador of Poland to Israel (TBC)
Spyrodis Lampridis, Ambassador of Greece to Israel
Dr. Andor Nagy, Ambassador of Hungary to Israel
Pjer Simunovic, Ambassador of Croatia to Israel

17:45 Reception

18:00 **Lecture: The EU and Israel**

[Location: Auditorium Student Building, Room101, 1st Floor]

Opening: **Amos Shapira**, The President of the University of Haifa (TBC)

Lars Faarborg-Andersen, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to Israel

European Market (11:30-18:00)

The European Market will take place from 11:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. Information stands with representatives from European Member States will offer study programs, scholarships and general information about their country.

Lectures and Discussions with High School Students (14:00-17:30)

High school students from different high schools in Haifa will receive an overview about academic life, the University of Haifa and the Center for German and European Studies as well as the European Union.

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