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# MISSION

The Council for European Studies (CES) supports the study of Europe and the production of research that can play a critical role in understanding and applying the lessons of European history and integration to contemporary problems, including those in the areas of global security, prosperity, environmental stewardship, and democracy.

The Council for European Studies (CES) is an independent and non-partisan not-for-profit organization dedicated to the study of Europe, and to producing, supporting, and recognizing outstanding, multi-disciplinary research on Europe. In particular, the Council is committed to supporting research and activities that help humanity understand and apply the lessons of European history and integration to contemporary challenges, including those in the areas of global security, prosperity, environmental stewardship, and democracy.

To fulfill its mission, the Council for European Studies runs a wide and ever-changing array of fellowship, grant, and award programs. The most popular of these are the Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship and Mellon-CES Dissertation Completion Fellowship programs, which together form a cornerstone of contemporary graduate-level funding for Europeanists working in the humanities and social sciences. Moreover, the Council also provides important support and recognition for researchers working on Europe through its European Studies Book Award, First Article Prizes, Conference Travel Grants, and similar programs.

In addition to its role as a direct funder of research, the Council for European Studies also produces a wide range of resources and publications designed

to disseminate and advance cutting-edge research on Europe. These publications include the Council's semi-annual journal *Perspectives on Europe*, its indispensable *CES Resource Guides* series (which includes the ever-popular *Guide to Grants & Fellowships for Europeanists*), and *Reviews & Critical Commentary (CritCom)*, the Council's innovative new online forum for sharing, reviewing, and discussing new research on Europe.

The Council is perhaps best known as the host and organizer of its International Conference of Europeanists, the world's largest annual gathering of Europe experts. Convened regularly for over thirty years, the International Conference of Europeanists is a three-day event which typically attracts over one thousand participants. Selected through a highly competitive review process, presenters at the Council's international conference come from every corner of the world and represent the full range of area specialities in both the social sciences and humanities.

Lastly, the Council engages in a variety of activities designed to foster international, intergenerational, and interdisciplinary cooperation among researchers, policy experts, and educators. The most important of these is undoubtedly the Council's Research Networks, which are groupings of researchers and policy professionals focused on the study of cross-cutting, interdisciplinary themes. Currently, the Council supports seven research networks devoted to fostering multi-disciplinary inquiry in a number of important areas, from European integration and globalization to changing attitudes toward gender and sexuality.





## CHAIR'S MESSAGE

I am delighted to report that, in the past two years, we have continued to expand our efforts to reach scholars of Europe, particularly the emerging generation of young researchers. A key part of this expansion involves our meetings, now held on an annual basis and alternating between Europe and North America. We have greatly increased participation by European scholars in the Council—indeed, our Boston conference had more participants coming from Europe than from North America! And we plan to continue to move our meeting locations to new sites in Europe, tracking the expansion of Europe itself, while also increasing the number of European member institutions.

The Council has also been working hard to attract scholars from other parts of the world: in Boston, for example, we welcomed many Europeanist colleagues from Asia, Africa, and elsewhere in the Americas. We are now developing a more international outreach toward these scholars and institutions, with the aim of becoming the home for all those working on Europe, wherever they might live.

Furthermore, our new research networks play an important role in generating new ideas for panels and for discussions on issues such as gender, immigration, and the global political economy. The networks provide new arenas for conversations across disciplines that stretch beyond the timeline of the annual meeting. It is our pleasure to continue to work with them as they build up their activities, which we see as broadening the Council's disciplinary and topical range.

We are also working to enhance the ways we support younger scholars, with new prizes for best first articles, new professional gatherings, a new series (coming soon) of webinars on career development, and opportunities for graduate students to serve on the editorial board of the Council's new publication, *Reviews & Critical Commentary* (CritCom). Likewise our new CES-Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship aims to support doctoral students in the often difficult final year of writing. The Mellon Foundation's support for this new fellowship meant a loss of support for our

**John Bowen** is the Dunbar-Van Cleve Professor in Arts & Sciences at Washington University in St. Louis and Chair of the Council for European Studies. He studies problems of pluralism, law, and religion, and in particular contemporary efforts to rethink Islamic norms and law in Europe, Asia, and North America. He has recently published *A New Anthropology of Islam* (Cambridge University Press, 2012) and *Blaming Islam* (MIT Press, 2012).

long-standing Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, but we have seen colleagues around the world rally to support us in rebuilding funding for this important award and helping us to maintain it.

To support these efforts, we have expanded our staff to include a new Programs Manager, Corey Fabian Borenstein, and two part-time staff members: Shivani Ray, Finance & Administrative Assistant, and Aleksandra Turek, Programs Assistant, all led by our Director, Siovañ Walker. It is our excellent staff and Siovañ's initiative and leadership that have allowed us to make continued progress towards our goals.

We now turn to new tasks, notably undertaking a comprehensive study of how we can best address current and future needs for scholarship on Europe. The report issuing from this study will serve as our touchstone for efforts to further develop our programs and to seek support from foundations and others concerned with the future of Europe.

I inherited the post of Chair from my remarkable predecessor, Cathie Jo Martin, who had turned the Council around at a critical moment, and as of July 1, 2013, I will turn it over to my equally remarkable successor, Juan Díez Medrano, already well-known to CES members for his superb stewardship of our Barcelona conference. We can look forward to new programs and exciting encounters in Washington, DC in 2014, in Paris in 2015, Philadelphia in 2016, and well beyond.

St. Louis, Missouri, April 2013

# DIRECTOR'S REPORT

It is a great pleasure to recall the extraordinary achievements of the last two years. The Council has done a tremendous amount of work during the time period covered by this report, and it has pursued that work in the context of a global economic crisis which has fallen especially hard on Europe and its academic institutions. This fact is key to understanding what we have done and why we have felt compelled to act so energetically. The frank truth is that over the last two years the financial crisis has sharply undermined traditional sources of funding and support for academic and policy research, and in view of this the Council has felt obliged to step up its efforts, purposefully increasing its funding for scholars in both Europe and North America and encouraging its partners and member institutions to do likewise.

Among the most notable developments of a notable period was the introduction of the Mellon-CES Dissertation Completion Fellowship. This program is the Council's largest single fellowship program to date and will annually award ten (10) fellowships each worth \$30,000 or more. Announced in 2011, with the first cohort of fellows slated for selection in early 2013, this exceptional program is intended to support promising graduate students who are nearing the completion of their doctoral degrees, but require a little extra help to finish up and advance into professional life.

Yet, this is just one of the programs which we have with the support of our generous funders and donors, either created or expanded in this historic period

of economic challenge. Over the last two years, the Council has, among other things, launched a new conference travel grants program, a new first article prize, two new publications, and a whole host of new Research Networks dedicated to fostering trans-Atlantic research and collaboration.

And, of course, the most high profile change concerns the Council's flagship event of the year: the International Conference of Europeanists. This singular conference, which is now the largest and most prestigious international gathering for those who study Europe, has grown dramatically since 2010. It now regularly attracts between 1000 and 1200 participants, and boasts greater thematic, disciplinary, and geographic diversity than ever before.

The reason for this such growth is our new, more trans-Atlantic model of conference organizing and program development. We have taken the International Conference of Europeanists on the road, alternating yearly between sites in Europe and North America. The purpose of this change has been to reduce the costs of attendance for those located in Europe or otherwise distant from the northeastern and midwestern U.S. cities in which the event has typically been held. And, the consequences of the change have been profound -- revitalizing the Council's intellectual community with the influx of hundreds of new members from around the world.

It is a notable achievement, and one that seems all the

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more remarkable when one recalls that the Council itself faced a funding crisis just a short-time ago. Indeed, it was just in 2010 that the Council faced one of the greatest challenges in its forty-year history. A core funding grant long provided by the German Marshall Fund (GMF) was withdrawn and with it the Council lost \$100,000 in overhead funding—money that had been used to pay salaries, support fundraising efforts, and keep the lights on.

Yet incredibly, since that time the Council has grown stronger than ever. Thanks to the unflagging support of Council members and member institutions, we have not only replaced the lost funds, but greatly expanded our programming. Since 2010, the Council has established three new grants programs, two new publications and five new research networks, as well as initiated partnerships with a host of institutions around the world.

And more initiatives are coming. Under the direction of our extraordinary Chair, John Bowen, and his successor, Juan Díez Medrano, I see the Council moving to further increase funding for Europeanists at all professional levels. Indeed, since setbacks are always possible, I don't want to say too much about the Executive Committee's plans, but over the next two years, members should expect a further strengthening of the Council's role among Europeanists based in Europe. They should expect expanded web resources and more informational programming designed to support early career development. They should anticipate a more robust and financially resilient central administration capable of doing more to promote the study of Europe around the world.

Most of all, they should expect that we here at the Council will continue to work energetically to rise to the challenges of the moment. Because as Europe faces an historic moment, so too does the Council for European Studies.

New York, New York, April 2013

## RIISING TO MEET TODAY'S CHALLENGES

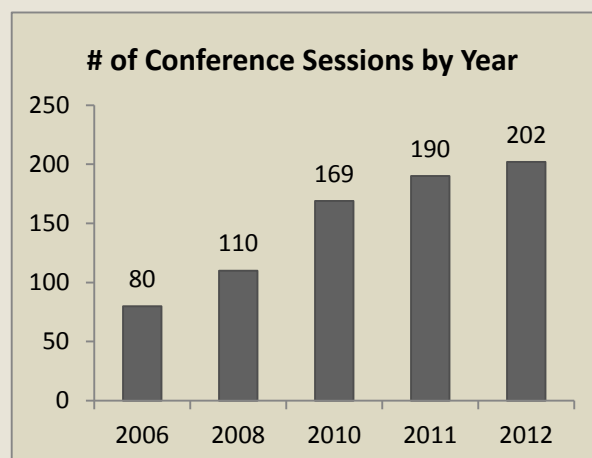
**Building Networks** The Council has expanded its support for at-distance collaboration and now hosts seven different research networks, each with a particular area of thematic interest. All but two, including the Gender and Sexuality Research Network, our newest, were created in the period covered by this report.

**Expanding Fellowships** Both the number and types of fellowships and grants awarded by the Council have increased dramatically since 2010. Over the last two years and with the help of its partners, the Council has established new programs to award dissertation completion fellowships, conference travel grants, and first article prizes.

**Modernizing Publications** The Council entered the new decade with a re-invigorated publications program. In the last two years, *Perspectives on Europe* has been expanded and renewed, and the Council is once again publishing (after a twenty years hiatus!) its popular *Guide to Grants & Fellowships for Europeanists*. It has also launched a new open-access, online forum called *Reviews & Critical Commentary*.

**Nurturing Trans-Atlantic Ties** Historically, the Council has been a predominately American organization, but no more. In 2012, the Council announced its first-ever Europe-based Chair, eminent sociologist, Juan Díez Medrano, who takes over in July 2013.

**Improving Conferences** The size of the Council's International Conference of Europeanists has risen dramatically (see chart). The size, diversity, and inclusiveness of the conference has expanded to accommodate surging interest, and yet it still remains one of the most prestigious and competitive academic conferences around, with between 30% and 45% of potential presenters routinely turned away for lack of space.



# TRIBUTE TO CATHIE JO MARTIN

by Sheri Berman and Sophie Meunier

Under Cathie Jo Martin's leadership the Council for European Studies (CES) underwent a renaissance. Since its founding in 1970, the Council for European Studies has been the leading American organization for the study of Europe, providing dissertation support for promising young scholars and travel grants for Europeans to come to the United States; recognizing, rewarding and sponsoring outstanding research on Europe; and organizing a vibrant multi-disciplinary conference on European studies. The Council, in short, has long played a key role in fostering the study of Europe on both sides of the Atlantic.

Yet by the early years of the new century European studies was in something of a crisis in the United States. As the relative balance of economic and political power in the world shifted and, consequently, scholarly interest in other parts of the world exploded, Europe lost its dominant position among regional studies scholars. This, along with a general funding retrenchment that accompanied the financial crisis, led to the drying up of many of the sources of funding that Europeanists in general and the Council in particular had long depended on. No longer able to assume that support for European studies would be forthcoming and needing to re-assert the importance of European studies as never before, the Council found itself faced with critical challenges when Cathie Jo Martin took over as chair in 2009.

Continuing a process begun by her predecessor, Michele Lamont, Cathie energetically and innovatively set out to restructure and revitalize the Council. Cathie worked tirelessly to identify new sources of

**Cathie Jo Martin** is Professor of Political Science at Boston University. She served as Chair of the Council for European Studies from 2009 to 2011. Her most recent book, *The Political Construction of Business Interests: Coordination, Growth and Equality* (co-authored with Duane Swank, Cambridge University Press, 2012) investigates the origins of coordinated capitalism and the circumstances under which employers are persuaded to endorse social policies promoting economic productivity and social solidarity.

funding and donors and expand our membership. She spearheaded the rejuvenation of the Council's International Conference of Europeanists, bringing it to exciting new locales like Montreal and Barcelona, improving the quality and quantity of the conference's panels, lectures and receptions, and experimenting with an annual conference format, alternating between a North American and a European host city. She also indefatigably oversaw a restructuring of the Council's administration, leading the hiring committee that helped find our dynamic new director, Siovahn Walker.

CES and Europeanists more generally therefore owe Cathie a huge debt of gratitude. This is not empty, perfunctory praise. Cathie took on a difficult, time-consuming, and often ungrateful job and did it with the energy, good spirit and high competence that those who know her expect. Thanks so much Cathie for helping to ensure that CES is ready to face the future! (Now, if only we could only figure out some way to get her to do the same for Europe as well...)



Cathie Jo Martin.

**Sheri Berman** is a Professor of Political Science at Barnard College, Columbia University. She served on the CES Executive Committee from 2007 to 2011.

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Cathie Jo Martin and Sophie Meunier.



## FUNDERS & PARTNERS

The Council for European Studies (CES) is supported by grants from charitable foundations, universities, and European governments as well as membership dues and revenues from conferences and publications. When it was founded in 1970, the Council received a significant grant from the Ford Foundation, and then benefited from the long-standing support of the German Marshall Fund of the United States. In recent years, the Council has partnered with many institutions that have kindly supported its awards, fellowships, grants, and conferences.


In 2011 and 2012, the Council's flagship Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship program was funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. At the same time, the Council partnered with two other institutions, the Society for the Anthropology of Europe (SAE) and the Luso-American Development Foundation, who offered additional support for targeted Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowships in line with their missions. Thus, the Society for the Anthropology of Europe sponsored a fellowship for an anthropology graduate student working on a topic in European Studies, while the Luso-American Development Foundation funded an award for a graduate student researching Portuguese history and culture.

For its annual International Conference of Europeanists, the Council has benefited from the support of a number of generous funders during the time period covered by this report. This is because the Council always works to find local partners for the conference, and to ensure the close involvement of local research, policy and educational institutions.

Thus, when the conference was held in Barcelona in 2011, the Council worked with the host institution, the Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI) while also partnering with the Universitat de Barcelona, the Generalitat de Catalunya, and the Spanish Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovacion. In 2012, when the conference took place in Boston, the Council received generous contributions from the following local universities and research centers: Boston College, Boston University, Brown University, the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, the Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, the MIT Political Science Department, Northeastern University, Tufts University, the Watson Institute, the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs). The Council also benefited from the support of European consulates and research organizations, most notably the British Consulate-General in Boston, the Consulate General of Spain in Boston, the Royal Danish Consulate in Boston, Swissnex Boston, the International Association for the Study of German Politics, and the Transatlantic Academy.

In addition, the Council relies on the support of its many institutional and individual members who provide crucial support for the organization through the payment of membership dues, event fees, advertising contracts, etc. It is only thanks to this wide array of partners and supporters that the Council is able to continue its programming and to advance new initiatives that will expand funding for the next generation of students, researchers and policy experts focused on European politics, culture, and history.

**The German Marshall Fund** Since the 1970s, the German Marshall Fund (GMF) of the United States has served as one of the Council's principal sources of core operating support. Unfortunately, in 2009, GMF indicated that it would discontinue its core support because of changing funding priorities. Naturally, the Council regrets the loss of funding from our friends at the GMF. However, we remain grateful for the Fund's past sponsorship and hope to have its support in future programming initiatives.



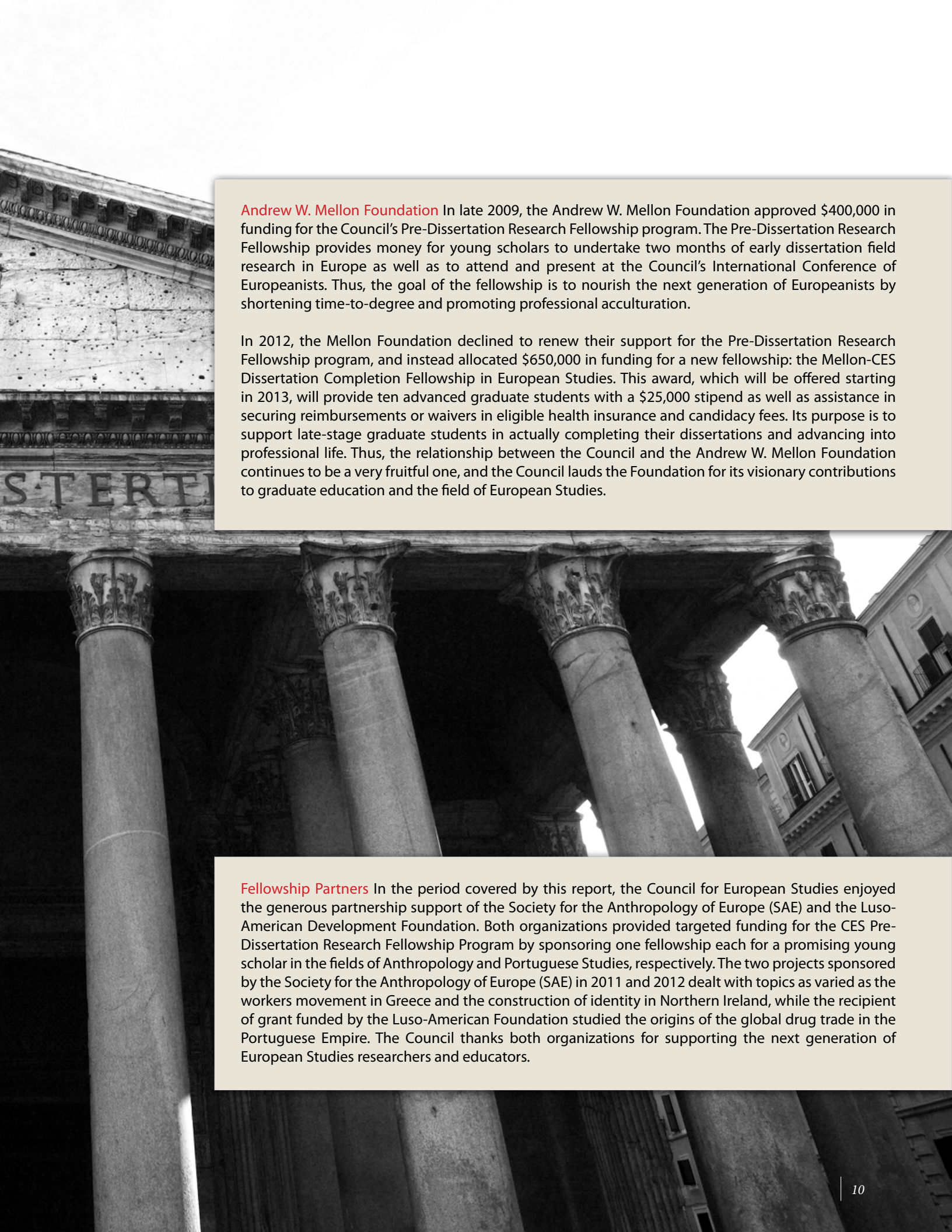
**Columbia University** For thirty-five years—ever since the Council for European Studies (CES) first moved from Pittsburgh to New York in 1975—Columbia University has supplied crucial support services. Thus, the Council would like to thank Columbia University's Blinken European Institute, Harriman Institute, and College of Arts and Sciences for providing office space, human resources support, and other financial services. The Council relies heavily on these in-kind donations and deeply appreciates Columbia University's generous ongoing commitment.

**Conference Funders** During the 18th International Conference of Europeanists, which took place in Barcelona in June 2011, the Council for European Studies (CES) received much appreciated support from the Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI), the Universitat de Barcelona, the Generalitat de Catalunya, Universitat Ramon Llull, and the Spanish Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovacion.

During the 19th International Conference of Europeanists, which took place in Boston in March 2012, the Council enjoyed the support of Boston College, Boston University, Brown University, the British Consulate-General in Boston, the Consulate General of Spain in Boston, the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard University, the International Association for the Study of German Politics, the Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies at Harvard University, the MIT Political Science Department, Northeastern University, the Royal Danish Consulate in Boston, the Routledge Taylor & Francis Group, Swissnex Boston, Tufts University, the Watson Institute, the Transatlantic Academy, and the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University.

The support of all these sponsors were crucial to the astounding success which the International Conference of Europeanists has enjoyed in recent years, and the Council sincerely thanks them all for their contributions.





**Andrew W. Mellon Foundation** In late 2009, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation approved \$400,000 in funding for the Council's Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship program. The Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship provides money for young scholars to undertake two months of early dissertation field research in Europe as well as to attend and present at the Council's International Conference of Europeanists. Thus, the goal of the fellowship is to nourish the next generation of Europeanists by shortening time-to-degree and promoting professional acculturation.

In 2012, the Mellon Foundation declined to renew their support for the Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship program, and instead allocated \$650,000 in funding for a new fellowship: the Mellon-CES Dissertation Completion Fellowship in European Studies. This award, which will be offered starting in 2013, will provide ten advanced graduate students with a \$25,000 stipend as well as assistance in securing reimbursements or waivers in eligible health insurance and candidacy fees. Its purpose is to support late-stage graduate students in actually completing their dissertations and advancing into professional life. Thus, the relationship between the Council and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation continues to be a very fruitful one, and the Council lauds the Foundation for its visionary contributions to graduate education and the field of European Studies.

**Fellowship Partners** In the period covered by this report, the Council for European Studies enjoyed the generous partnership support of the Society for the Anthropology of Europe (SAE) and the Luso-American Development Foundation. Both organizations provided targeted funding for the CES Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship Program by sponsoring one fellowship each for a promising young scholar in the fields of Anthropology and Portuguese Studies, respectively. The two projects sponsored by the Society for the Anthropology of Europe (SAE) in 2011 and 2012 dealt with topics as varied as the workers movement in Greece and the construction of identity in Northern Ireland, while the recipient of grant funded by the Luso-American Foundation studied the origins of the global drug trade in the Portuguese Empire. The Council thanks both organizations for supporting the next generation of European Studies researchers and educators.

# FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

The Council for European Studies (CES) is proud to award a wide range of fellowships, grants, and prizes to deserving students, educators, researchers and policy experts working to better understand Europe. During the time period covered by this report, the Council's roster of funding opportunities included its flagship Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship, as well as its European Studies Book Award, European Studies First Article Prize, and CES Conference Travel Grants.

Founded in 1971, the Council's Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship provides funding for graduate students to conduct two months of exploratory research in Europe. Awardees receive \$4,000 in direct grant money as well as valuable professional development opportunities, including the opportunity to attend and present at the International Conference of Europeanists and to publish a research report in *Perspectives on Europe*.

The program is intended to facilitate the transition from coursework to fieldwork, and to enable students to make rapid progress in refining their initial ideas into a feasible, interesting, and fundable doctoral project. Recipients are expected to use the Council's support to lay the foundation for their project by determining the availability of archival materials, scouting possible field sites, testing research design, and securing ties with relevant European scholars or institutions.

Over the past few years, the Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship program has become ever-more unique and valuable to the European Studies community as funding for scholars of Europe, particularly those in the early stages of their research, has decreased. The Program has consistently proven its popularity and importance in the field, with applications to the program doubling in the period covered by this report.

Of those applicants, each year more than twenty students were awarded fellowships, based on the

decisions of a multi-disciplinary Fellowship Selection Committee. In 2011 and 2012, awardees came from a wide range of disciplines (history, music, political sciences, literature, and more), and traveled to do research in Western, Central and Eastern Europe. Their work has focused on topics as varied as imperial capitalism, the modern novel, and immigration policies.

The majority of pre-dissertation fellowships in 2011 and 2012 were funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, which provided funding for twenty fellowships each year. The Society for Anthropologists of Europe also funded one fellowship per year for a student in anthropology, and the Luso-American Foundation sponsored one student per year studying Portugal or Portuguese history (see next page for a full list of Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship recipients).

During the period covered by this report, the Council also awarded a European Studies Book Award. This award is given every two years and honors the best first book on any subject in European Studies published within a two-year period. A multi-disciplinary Book Award Committee appointed by the Council's Executive Committee chooses the winner and a formal presentation of the award is conducted at the Council's International Conference of Europeanists. The winning author receives \$1,000 and travel assistance to attend the conference and award ceremony.

In 2012, the European Studies Book Award was given to Paulina Bren of Vassar College for her book *The Greengrocer and His TV: The Culture of Communism after the 1968 Prague Spring* published by Cornell University Press in 2010 (see inset below right).

For the first time in 2012, the Council also awarded two European Studies First Article Prizes, honoring the writers of the best first articles on European Studies published within a two-year period. An award



was given to one article in the humanities and one in the social sciences. As with the European Studies Book Award, a multi-disciplinary First Article Prize Committee appointed by the Council's Executive Committee chose the winner. Each prize winner received \$500 and public recognition on the Council's website and publications.

In 2012, for the Prize's inaugural year, the Council awarded a prize to Steve Milder of University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Anna Paretskaya of the New School. Milder was awarded the First Article Prize in the Humanities for his article "Thinking Globally, Acting (Trans-)Locally: Petra Kelly and the Transnational Roots of West German Green Politics," published in *Central European History* in 2010. Paretskaya won the European Studies First Article Prize in the Social Sciences for her article "The Soviet Communist Party and the Other Spirit of Capitalism," published in *Sociological Theory* in 2010. The Council also awarded an Honorable Mention to James Chappel of Columbia University for his article "The Catholic Origins of Totalitarianism Theory in Interwar Europe," *Modern Intellectual History* 8:3, 2011.

Moreover, starting in 2012, the Council made available five CES Conference Travel Grants in support of trans-Atlantic travel for junior faculty and graduate students presenting at the Council's International Conference of Europeanists in Boston. The scholars who were awarded a CES Conference Travel Grant received a cash grant of \$500 and a waiver of their registration fee, resulting in a cumulative grant value of as much

as \$725. The winners of the 2012 Conference Travel Grant were Paul Copeland, University of Manchester; Claire Dupuy, University of Oxford; Evelyne Hubscher, Central European University; Juan Mayoral, European University Institute; and Aleksandra Sojka, University of Granada.

The Council has also been working diligently on developing new programs to provide even greater financial assistance to early career researchers at a time when funding for European Studies is scarce. Most notably, in 2013 it will begin awarding Mellon-CES Dissertation Completion Fellowships in European Studies. This new fellowship program is designed to help late-stage graduate students working in European topics to finish their dissertation in a timely manner. It will come with a \$25,000 stipend and assistance in securing reimbursements or waivers of eligible health insurance and candidacy fees. Fellows will also be involved in a range of professional development activities, including presenting their work at the International Conference of Europeanists, publishing an article in *Perspectives on Europe*, and participating in several workshops tailored specifically to the needs of advanced graduate students. In addition, the Council is currently exploring ways to provide greater support for undergraduate education and advanced language study, in a constant effort to support the study of Europe at all levels.

**European Studies Book Award** Offered once every two years, the prestigious European Studies Book Award is here presented to Paulina Bren, author of the 2012 recipient of the award, *The Greengrocer and His TV: The Culture of Communism after the 1968 Prague Spring*, by the Council's Chair, John Bowen, at the 19th International Conference of Europeanists in Boston, Massachusetts.



## PRE-DISSERTATION RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

2011

**Julia Ault**, History, UNC Chapel Hill  
**Robert Braun**, Government, Cornell University  
**Mara Caden**, History, Yale University  
**Emily Cersonsky**, English & Comparative Literature, Columbia  
**Alexandra Cirone**, Political Science, Columbia University  
**Harley Davidson**, History, University of Kansas  
**Matthew Franke**, Music, UNC Chapel Hill  
**Catherine Homan**, Philosophy, Emory University  
**Laura Hohman**, History, the Catholic University of America  
**Catherine Hughes**, Music, UNC Chapel Hill  
**Casiana Ionita**, French & Romance Philology, Columbia  
**Biorn Ivermark**, Sociology, University of British Columbia  
**Johanna Lenkner**, Anthropology, New York University

**Lisa Maguire**, History, American University  
**Matthew Maguire**, Political Science, Boston University  
**Michelle Maydanchik**, Art History, University of Chicago  
**Megan McCarthy**, Art History, Columbia University  
**Anthony Minnema**, History, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
**Christoph Nguyen**, Political Science, Northwestern University  
**Lindsay Pettingill**, Government, Georgetown University  
**Matthew Robinson**, Religious Studies, Northwestern University  
**Ayelet Rosen**, History, New York University  
**Sarah Zarrow**, History, New York University

## EUROPEAN STUDIES BOOK AWARD

2012

*The Greengrocer and His TV: The Culture of Communism after the 1968 Prague Spring*  
by **Paulina Bren**, Vassar College

## EUROPEAN STUDIES FIRST ARTICLE PRIZES

2012

**Steve Milder**, UNC Chapel Hill  
"Thinking Globally, Acting (Trans-)Locally:  
Petra Kelly and the Transnational Roots of  
West German Green Politics" (2010)

**Anna Paretskaya**, The New School  
"The Soviet Communist Party and the Other  
Spirit of Capitalism" (2010)

Honorable Mention:

**James Chappel**, Columbia University  
"The Catholic Origins of Totalitarianism Theory in Interwar Europe"

## CONFERENCE TRAVEL GRANTS

2012

**Paul Copeland**, University of Manchester  
**Claire Dupuy**, University of Oxford  
**Evelyne Hubscher**, Central European University  
**Juan Mayoral**, European University Institute  
**Aleksandra Sojka**, University of Granada



2012

**Grace Allen**, History, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
**Andrew Cashner**, Music, University of Chicago  
**Borislav Chernov**, History, American University  
**Caitlin Fox-Hodess**, Sociology, University of California, Berkeley  
**Jane Freeland**, History, Carleton University  
**James Graham**, Architecture, Columbia University  
**Sarah Griswold**, French Studies, New York University  
**Carla Heelan**, History, Harvard University  
**Aaron Kahn**, History, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
**Soo-Young Kim**, Anthropology, Columbia University  
**Laura LeVon**, Anthropology, SUNY Buffalo  
**Amy Limoncelli**, History, Boston College

**Aleksandar Matovski**, Government, Cornell University  
**Fabio Mattioli**, Anthropology, CUNY Graduate Center  
**Anndal Narayanan**, History, UNC Chapel Hill  
**Nicholas Ostrum**, History, SUNY Stony Brook  
**Raymond Parrott**, History, University of Texas, Austin  
**Ryan Patrico**, History, Yale University  
**Javier Samper Vendrell**, History, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
**Jonathan Sherry**, History, University of Pittsburgh  
**Lauren Stokes**, History, University of Chicago  
**Katrina Uhly**, Sociology, Northeastern University



## FELLOWS' SPOTLIGHT

**Victoria de Grazia**, Professor of History and Director of the Blinken European Institute at Columbia University, has written prize-winning studies of twentieth century Italian history, including *How Fascism Ruled Women: Italy, 1922-1945* (1992). A former chair of the Council for European Studies (CES), she is the recipient of numerous awards for the study of European history, including two Jean Monnet Fellowships from the European University Institute and a Fulbright scholarship. In 2005, she was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.



"It was my first ever research grant and it seemed like a miracle. It brought me to Munich on an overly ambitious project to learn German and compare fascist labor organizations. I didn't stay long, however, because I itched to go to Italy. Nonetheless, this experience indelibly made Germany a point of reference in my work. In those days when comparative history was so central, it was the only grant that provided the possibility of crossing borders.

Later, when I became involved in CES administration, I regarded the annual conferences and that little life-changing grant as the two hallmarks of the whole operation--the latter so special because it is awarded nationally and for a period when graduate students are just formulating their topics. In the late 1990s, when more effort was made to include grantees at the conference, CES was the first to assume graduate students at their first work were organically part of the intellectually sentient world of academically sophisticated conferences and thus had to be brought into the operation front and center.

As I became involved in CES administration years later, I realized that this life-changing fellowship, combined with the Council's annual conferences, make CES the unique organization it is. What makes the fellowship particularly noteworthy is the fact that it is awarded annually for graduate students who are formulating their topics and need context and perspective to develop their ideas further. In the late 1990s, CES extended its support for graduate students by increasing its effort to include fellows at the annual conferences. Recognizing the importance of conferences in the field of academia, the Council began to encourage grantees to present their work at these conferences alongside esteemed scholars."



**Karel Kovanda** served as the Deputy Director-General responsible for Common and Foreign Security Policy (CFSP), Multilateral Relations with America, East Asia, Australia, New Zealand and EFTA in the European Commission's Directorate-General for External Relations until 2010. Before that he was the Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to the North Atlantic Council and Western European Union and held several positions in the Czech Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

"Almost 40 years ago, I was a wild-eyed student from the post-invasion Czechoslovakia who had recently landed in the Political-Science PhD program of MIT. Professor Don Blackmer of MIT drew the CES' Pre-Dissertation Fellowship to my attention, and winning it helped me do all the things I had hoped for. My dissertation ended

up being on workers' self-management in Czechoslovakia during the 1968 Prague Spring. Thanks to the fellowship, I spent time learning German in the Goethe Institute in Passau as well as doing research in London, in Geneva's International Labor Organization, and particularly in the Radio Free Europe's majestic archives in Munich.

Later, political science became a springboard for leaping into the private sector, where I started as a political-risk analyst. But my working life really flourished after returning to my home, Czechoslovakia, in 1990, after Vaclav Havel's democratic revolution. I joined the country's Foreign Ministry, and in short order was appointed Ambassador to the UN and to its Security Council, and later to NATO. (These 15 extremely eventful years amazingly fit into a single sentence!) Later, I joined the European Commission in Brussels in a very senior position dealing with external relations.

I retired at the beginning of 2011. But I will never cease to be terribly grateful to the USA (of which I am still a citizen) for the opportunities it offered me. And an important part of those opportunities was the Pre-Dissertation Fellowship that Columbia University's Council for European Studies awarded me in 1972. It helped me at a critical moment to get my academic bearings and orient myself in much of my further endeavors. And I don't think I ever thought of saying "thank you." So, let me do it here and now, albeit belatedly. Thank you, CES, from the bottom of my heart. I hope many others have the good fortune you afforded me."

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"I was finishing my second year in the PhD program in Cultural Anthropology at the University of Pittsburgh when a CES Pre-Dissertation grant allowed me to spend the summer of 1997 in Bosnia-Herzegovina. In retrospect, I experienced the country at an incredible time of rapid change. Intense debates over the meanings of the war that had ended less than two years before and the shape of the post-war society that was emerging were being played out. While I had spent time in the region before, it had always been in the capacity of NGO work. This grant enabled me to concentrate on my research ideas, map the field of women's activism I wanted to make the focus of my dissertation, and collect some very useful data. Having had to put my ideas on paper early to apply for the grant and then getting a sense of the field firsthand meant that upon my return I was able to construct a strong and well-informed proposal for dissertation research grants. I eventually combined grants from FLAS, IREX and the Institute for the Study of World Politics to spend two years in Bosnia-Herzegovina doing ethnographic research on women's activism.

At a time of decreased funding for and appreciation of locally grounded knowledge about Europe that goes beyond macro-level politics of the EU or "troubled regions," CES provides a welcome source of support and validation for such projects."

**Elissa Helms**, Assistant Professor of Gender Studies at Central European University, has been conducting ethnographic research in the Bosniac (Muslim) dominated areas of Bosnia-Herzegovina since 1997. Helms is currently finishing a book on women's activism and issues of representation in Bosnia-Herzegovina.





**John Parman** is the editorial director of the publications group at Gensler, a global design consultancy, responsible for its books, magazine, and other print and digital collateral. He's based in San Francisco.



I applied to spend the fall quarter of 1977 at Stichting Architecten Research (SAR) in Eindhoven, the Netherlands. I was interested in the "SAR methodology," an approach to planning and designing housing developed by John Habraken, SAR's founder. He'd moved on to MIT, but SAR was still active and willing to have me as a visiting researcher. I went with my wife and two-year-old son. While we were there, the dollar lost 35 percent of its value, so the CES Fellowship was stretched thin. My wife reminded me last week that she augmented it with her savings.

The SAR methodology proved to be applicable only to Dutch housing, although I admired the interest in user participation behind it. The main benefit of the Fellowship for me was the distance it gave me from the PhD program. When I came back, I resigned from it, feeling that its constantly shifting and increasingly onerous requirements, instituted in the name of "rigor," were counterproductive in a field that was and is so focused on application. I went on to found a journal, "Design Book Review," that was a critical success during its 19-year existence. While drawing a cross-section of academics from both sides of the Atlantic, its intended audience was literate professionals. This meant that it was edited for clarity, at a time when many academic writers in the field were content to parrot Derrida and Lacan. It was probably lucky we were on the other coast when we asked, "What does this mean?" To their credit, our writers responded.

I'm grateful to have been a CES Fellow - it came at the right moment.

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"I am very appreciative of the Pre-Dissertation Fellowship that I was awarded by the Council for European Studies in 1992. I used that fellowship to conduct research in Europe with which to help frame and focus my subsequent dissertation. I have continued to work on European economic issues over the course of my career in economic consulting, including work on antitrust, transfer pricing, and commercial litigation cases related to various European companies and industries. I remember even citing my Pre-Dissertation Fellowship research in my first opportunity to testify as an expert witness in an antitrust case many years ago!"

**David de Ramus** is a founding member of the economic consulting firm of Bates White and currently serves as the firm's Managing Partner. Previously, David worked at KPMG Peat Marwick in its Economic Consulting Services practice and at the management consulting firm of A.T. Kearney.



## CONFERENCES & MEETINGS

The International Conference of Europeanists was first organized in 1979 and hosted in Washington, D.C. The first conference attracted over 600 scholars from both sides of the Atlantic to discuss the topic "Institutional Change or Institutional Decay? Transitional Epochs in Europe."

For the next thirty years, the Council continued to host the International Conference of Europeanists biennially. For most of that time, the conference divided its time between Washington, D.C. (throughout the 1980s) and Chicago, Illinois (starting in 1992).

In 2010, the Council's Executive Committee voted to expand the conference, both in size and scope, by making it an annual conference alternating location between Europe and North America.

The first revamped International Conference of Europeanists was held in Montreal in 2010. The theme of the conference was "Revenge of the European Model?" and over 650 scholars from around the world attended. Sophie Meunier of Princeton University and Philip Nord, also of Princeton, co-chaired the Conference Program Committee in 2010.

Three plenary sessions were organized at the 18th International Conference of Europeanists in 2010. Dr Meunier chaired a plenary asking the question of "Do Transatlantic Relations Still Matter" while Dr Nord chaired a plenary session on "Successful Societies." The Presidential plenary was organized and chaired by Cathie Jo Martin on "The Past and Future of Social Solidarity."

The Council's first European conference was held in Barcelona in 2011. Quite different from the North American conferences, which are traditionally held in a hotel, the first European conference was hosted by the Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI). As such, various university buildings served as conference venues for sessions.

The 2011 conference centered on the theme of "The Causes, Consequences and Meaning of Transnationalization." Pepper Culpepper of the European University Institute and Juan Díez Medrano of Universidad Carlos III de Madrid co-chaired the program committee, selecting or creating 190 sessions occurring over the three days of the conference.

There were six research network luncheons during the 2011 conference as well as the Executive Committee's annual meeting and a meeting of the Editorial Committee.

Plenaries were organized and held each of the three nights of the conference. The first, called "Prospects for a European Society," was chaired by Program Committee co-chair Juan Díez Medrano. The second, "Where are Political Parties in Europe and Where Are They Going?," was chaired by co-chair Pepper Culpepper. On the middle evening of the conference, Cathie Jo Martin chaired the presidential plenary on "The Politics of Inequality in Post-Industrial Economies."

In the end, over 750 scholars attended the 2011 International Conference of Europeanists, the majority of them European, making the Council's first foray in European conference hosting a rousing success.

In 2012, the conference returned to North America and was held at the historic Omni Parker House in Boston. In the largest conference to date, over 800 scholars registered and participated in 201 sessions. The theme of the 19th International Conference of Europeanists, proposed by Conference Program Committee co-chairs Erik Bleich of Middlebury College and Jason Beckfield of Harvard University, was "A Europe of Diversities." Sofia Perez of Boston University, meanwhile, chaired the Local Organizing Committee.

Participants at the 2012 conference were roughly half European and half North American. Most were full or associate professors and the number of conference

volunteers doubled from the previous year.

Two plenary sessions were organized in 2012, one by Drs. Bleich and Beckfield on “What Divides--and Unites--Europeans” and one by the Council’s Chair John Bowen on “Sources and Mechanisms of Discrimination in Europe Today.” Additionally, for the first time, the Council also organized an evening session on “Success Inside & Outside the Academy: Vital Career Skills Not Taught in Graduate School” for CES Fellows and other interested graduate students. The latter event was received enthusiastically by the graduate students in attendance and all three evening events were followed by receptions.

Registration rates at the conference have remained

constant in recent years, costing full/associate professors \$225, assistant professors and postdoc researchers \$275, and students or retired professors \$225. The Council’s registration rates remain low compared to similar academic conferences and may be offset for junior scholars by a CES Conference Travel Grant.

By and large, satisfaction with the International Conference of Europeanists has remained high, even as the conference has expanded. Post-conference surveys conducted revealed a high level of satisfaction with the conference, with many participants praising the high level of organization and responsiveness by Council staff, the quality of the presentations, and the range of topics covered. The majority of respondents reported that they would recommend the conference



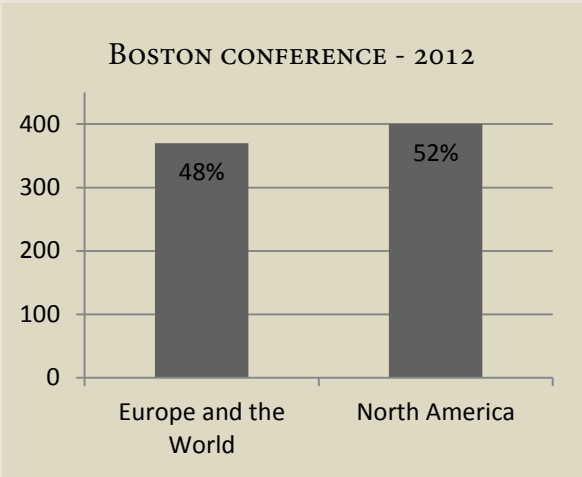


to a friend or colleague and that they would continue to attend in future years.

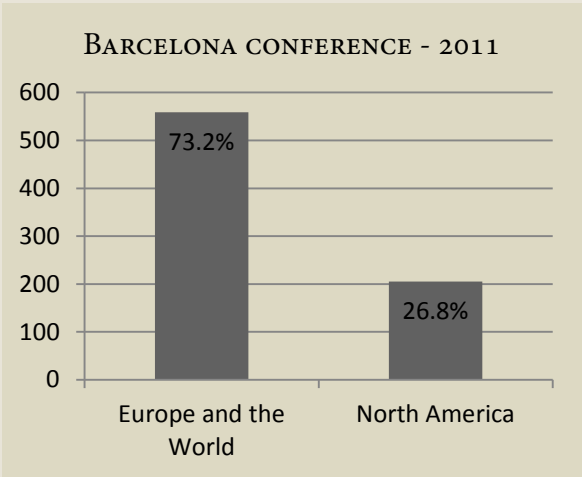
However, with such dramatic growth in such a short amount of time, conferences in the past few years have increasingly suffered from topical overlap within session time slots and reduced audiences in each session. Conference attendees surveyed after the fact, although largely pleased with their conference experience, were primarily frustrated by these two factors. As a result, the Council’s Executive Committee recently voted to cap participation in the North American conferences at 800 participants and 1,000 when in Europe in hopes of keeping the International Conference of Europeanists vibrant, accessible, and topically diverse.



CONTINUITY AND CHANGE



**North American Conferences** Styled after the traditional CES conferences of the past thirty years, the North American conferences are held in a hotel where participants are welcome to stay, eat, and socialize throughout the course of the event. The North American conferences are typically smaller than the European conferences and attract a nearly-equal number of attendees from North America and the rest of the world.



**European Conferences** In contrast to past practice, the Council’s European conferences are hosted by a changing European institutional partner in every odd-numbered year. This means more diverse locations for sessions, more options for conference hotels, and more opportunities to experience the conference city. European conferences also bring in new communities of people previously uninvolved in the Council (see charts at left). As a result, Europeans are becoming more engaged in the Council and its efforts, and have greater opportunity to meet and connect with colleagues on both sides of “the pond.”

Conference attendees by geographic origin.

# PUBLICATIONS & RESOURCES

As part of its mission to encourage collaboration and proliferate scholarship on Europe, the Council produces a number of different publications and research resources.

From 2009-2012, a subscription to the Council's flagship publication, *Perspectives on Europe*, cost \$40 annually or could be acquired as part of an individual membership in the Council. In spring 2012, however, the Council's Executive Committee voted to retire the former subscription system and make *Perspectives* available exclusively through membership in the Council. Moreover, *Perspectives* has transitioned from being a print publication (under its former title *European Studies Forum*) to an electronic journal, which has provided new opportunities both in the production process and in the user experience.

While CES staff and consultants copy-edit and design the journal, *Perspectives* is traditionally edited by a leading scholar of Europe serving a two-year term. From 2009-11 Richard Deeg of Temple University assumed the editorship, managing *Perspectives* not only through its transition into a digital publication, but also introducing the "mini-forum," a thematic grouping of essays that allowed the journal to feature longer research-based work, much of it growing out of CES Research Networks.

Dr. Deeg was succeeded by Peter Scholten of Erasmus University-Rotterdam in 2012. Under Dr. Scholten's editorship *Perspectives* continued to feature an expansive range of topics, including mini-forums on "Europe and the Crisis: New Frontiers," and "Gender & Sexual Politics: A Central Issue for European Studies." Moreover, *Perspectives* has served as a valuable forum for providing an early look at the work of young Europeanists. This is done by including essays from CES Fellows on topics as varied as environmentalism in Moldova, the music of Kurdish Alevis in Germany, the Portuguese origins of the modern drug trade, and the philosophy of Eugen Fink.

The expansion in research topics has tracked a commensurate expansion in the size of *Perspectives* over the past two years. At the start of 2010, a typical issue of *Perspectives* was around 30 pages long. In contrast, by spring 2012 the issue totaled 126 pages and featured more than 20 articles. A similar growth can be seen in readership. *Perspectives* now has approximately 1,000 individual subscribers and a further 93 institutional subscribers, largely, although not exclusively, made up of members of the Council's Academic Consortium.

In addition to *Perspectives on Europe*, the Council publishes a monthly e-newsletter, sent via e-mail to the Council's mailing list of approximately 8,000 members and supporters. The e-newsletter features Council-related news, including announcements of upcoming CES programs, information about the International Conference of Europeanists, grant and award information, calls for papers, and other pertinent announcements. In 2012, the Council also introduced a "Member News" section to specifically highlight the activities and opportunities available at member institutions.

At the same time, the Council has been at work on new exciting publications meant to reach an even broader audience. In November 2012, the Council launched *Reviews and Critical Commentary (CritCom)*, an innovative publication that is freely available online and aimed at an educated, interdisciplinary audience interested in European affairs. Designed as a research-based, online forum of critical review, informed commentary, and public discussion, *CritCom* offers book reviews, roundtables, publication news, interviews with leading researchers and policymakers, and more. Additionally, *CritCom* is developing a series of "Special Features" on emerging topics of scholarly and public interest, linking Europeanists working in diverse geographical, disciplinary, and research settings.

One of the major publication achievements of 2012 was the revival of the popular CES Resources Guides

series, starting with a new issue of the *Guide to Grants & Fellowships for Europeanists*, republished for the first time after a 20 year hiatus. The *Guide* is an invaluable and comprehensive compendium of funding opportunities for humanists and social scientists engaged in the study of Europe. Available free to CES members and for purchase in Kindle edition on Amazon.com, the *Guide* will be expanded and updated annually. Moreover, it will be soon be joined by a *Guide to Institutions Focused on the Study of Europe*, which will serve as a directory of organizations, think tanks and research centers advancing European Studies today.

In addition to these publication efforts, the Council has expanded its resources into social media to provide the maximum amount of information to researchers, scholars, and supporters as conveniently as possible. The Council may now be found on Facebook, Twitter, Google+, and LinkedIn. Each of these sites offers up-to-the-moment updates for those interested in the study of Europe. Moreover, these sites are effective in disseminating job announcements, funding opportunities, fellowship offers, upcoming event announcements, and Council-specific news that is of interest to CES members and the broader public. As of October 2012, the Council has over 5,000 fans on Facebook, over 340 followers on Twitter, and 37 followers on LinkedIn.





# RESEARCH NETWORKS

As part of its mission to strengthen interdisciplinary European Studies, the Council hosts and supports a range of Research Networks. These networks (proposed and organized by scholars affiliated with the Council and its member institutions) work to promote European Studies and strengthen ties across disciplines, generations and national borders.

Historically, the Council's research networks grew out of its early "Research Planning Groups," which were loose groupings of scholars supported by the Council throughout the 1970s and '80s. These Research Planning Groups, or RPGs, generally collapsed around a central and very specific issue with the intention of publishing a collection of essays or a book. These early groups focused less on broad themes of European Studies and more on specific issues within the discipline, such as income disparity, modern capitalism, national minority groups, new technologies, and women's movements.

Throughout the 1970s and '80s, formation of a RPG was competitive and support was only awarded to singularly worthwhile groups exploring important and specific issues in European Studies. But the RPGs of the Council's early days were fleeting associations. After publishing or presenting a specific research project, RPGs generally disbanded.

Starting in the late 2000s, however, the Council decided to create more permanent and broader groups of scholars. With the aim of bringing together various disciplines under a general theme of interest, the Council's "Research Networks" were born.

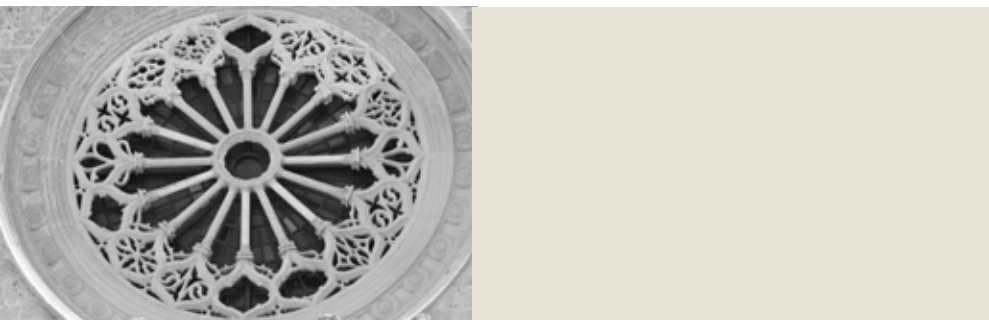
By 2011, the Council had five active Research Net-

works: the Research Network on 1) Industrial Relations, Skill Formations, and Welfare State Policies; 2) European Integration and Global Political Economy; 3) History of Democratization 4) Immigration; 5) Territorial Politics and Federalism; and 6) Social Movements. And by 2012, a seventh was added to these: the Gender and Sexuality Research Network.

The network on Industrial Relations, Skill Formations, and Welfare State Policies was formed in early 2011 as a combination of researchers working on education and others focusing on political economy and welfare. As of June 2012, the network claimed 87 individual members from 15 countries, covering diverse disciplines such as sociology, political science, history, comparative education sciences and more. The network was chaired by Marius R. Busemeyer of the University of Konstanz, Matthieu Leimgruber of the University of Geneva, Julia Moses of the University of Sheffield, and Christine Trampusch of the University of Cologne.

The European Integration and Global Political Economy research network focuses its energies on contemporary developments in European integration, particularly exploring the economic crisis in Europe beginning in 2008. By June 2012, this network had become the largest CES research network with 131 active members and proved one of the more active networks as well, with a network-edited mini-forum in *Perspectives on Europe* and a large level of participation at the 2012 CES Conference. The network is chaired by Claes Belfrage of Liverpool University and Caroline de la Porte of the University of Denmark, Odense.

The network on the History of Democratization remains the most humanities-based network of the Council, exploring issues within the history of politics. In 2012, the network voted to change its name to the network on the History of States and Regimes to be more specific about its focus. As of June 2012, the History of States and Regimes network had 35 active members drawn mostly, though not exclusively, from the fields of political science, sociology, history, and cul-



tural studies. The membership includes all academic ranks and a number of graduate students, from a total of nine different countries. The network is chaired by Michael Bernhard of the University of Florida.

The Immigration research network is one of the oldest official CES Research Networks and is focused on issues of migration, immigration, cultural integration/assimilation, and ethnic conflict and cooperation. The network had 57 members as of June 2012, many of whom were active both in the online presence of the network and at CES conferences. The network also initiated its own book of collected essays on the topic of socio-economic leveraging. The Immigration network is chaired by Erick Bleich of Middlebury College, with Jan Willem Duyvendak of the University of Amsterdam and Rahsaan Maxwell of the University of Massachusetts serving as vice-chairs. Janna Bray and Alex Street also serve as the network's online coordinators.

The Social Movements research network was also founded in early 2011 with the aim of exploring European social movements such as environmentalism, feminism, economic crises, and right-wing political parties. The network proved quite active with 150 members as of June 2012 from at least 23 countries and 18 disciplines. The network also organized a workshop on publishing at the 19th International Conference of Europeanists and produced a book called *Understanding European Movements: New Social Movements, Global Justice Struggles, Anti-Austerity Protest*, to be published in early 2013. The Social Movements network is chaired by Cristina Flesher Fominaya of the University of Aberdeen and Laurence Cox of the National University of Ireland, Maynooth.

Following the 18th International Conference of Europeanists, two further research networks were created: the network on Territorial Politics and Federalism and, the Council's network on Gender and Sexuality.

The network on Territorial Politics and Federalism aims to provide a platform for scholars interested in the broad themes of territory and federalism, within but also outside of the European Union. As of June 2012, the network had 100 members in 20 different coun-

tries and was chaired by Michael Bauer of Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and Michael Tatham of the University of Bergen.

The Gender and Sexuality network formed fairly early in 2012 to enhance research around a number of topics, including LGBTQ rights, sexual harassment, gender roles, sexual discrimination, etc. By summer 2012, the fledgling network had already garnered approximately 100 members and organized a mini-forum in *Perspectives on Europe*. The network is chaired by Isabelle Engeli of the University of Ottawa and David Paternotte of the Université libre de Bruxelles.

In the interest of fostering electronic communication between the networks, in 2011 the Council started an online Research Network Portal. The Portal was created to provide a single online space for all the Networks to come together to discuss and collaborate. As of October 2012, the Portal boasted 470 members, spread out amongst all seven research networks.

Beyond the online Research Network Portal, certain networks, including the network on Territorial Politics and Federalism and the Immigration network, also opted to create network-specific listservs to promulgate relevant announcements to network members. These have also proved popular and are actively utilized. The Immigration, Territorial Politics and Federalism, and the network on the Historical Study of States and Regimes also all host online member directories, featuring members' names, institutional affiliations, and short biographies, on the Council's website for ease of communication and collaboration between network members.

The Council has also actively sought to engage the networks with each other, fostering collaboration between the networks with semi-plenaries created by two or more research networks for the 20th International Conference of Europeanists. As the Council's networks continue to grow, additional collaborations, competitions, and publications will undoubtedly be produced.

### European Integration and the Global Political Economy - New Directions

This network has a dual focus. It analyzes the extent to which the EU impacts on-going reform dynamics in a post-crisis context, focusing on the ideational and strategic influence of the EU on key actors, and how they impact countries with differing institutional legacies and contexts. It also focuses on governance and decision-making through the Lisbon Treaty in a broad range of policy areas, and how these relate to issues of popular legitimacy and contestation in the EU.

### Historical Study of States and Regimes (formerly History of Democratization)

Bringing together scholars interested in questions of state formation, development, and decline, the emergence of new types of regimes, and problems of regime stability and change, the network on the Historical Study of States and Regimes was founded in June 2011. Since then, the network has grown to 50 members, drawn mostly, though not exclusively, from the fields of political science, sociology, history, and cultural studies. The membership includes all academic ranks and a number of graduate students, from a total of nine different countries. The network happily welcomes new members without regard to discipline or approach. We are looking for a diverse set of scholars interested in understanding state formation and decay, regimes and regime change, the antecedents of democracy and autocracy, and other macrolevel political processes from a variety of perspectives.

### Industrial Relations, Skill Formation and Welfare State Policies

This network seeks to be genuinely interdisciplinary in nature, sensitive to a variety of methodological approaches and to bringing together young as well as senior scholars from both sides of the Atlantic.

The thematic focus of the network is to study the institutions, politics and policies of industrial relations, skill formation systems and welfare state regimes from a broad comparative perspective, combining historical with cross-national comparisons. The network will initially focus on three key issues, gradually expanding its remit over time. Those issues are: 1. the Origins and Trajectories of Education and Social Policies; 2. the Comparative Political Economy of Regime Formation and Change; and 3. Cross-border Connections, Internationalization and Europeanization.

### Immigration

The Immigration Research Group of the Council for European Studies aims to draw together scholars and graduate students from a variety of countries and disciplines to foster research around themes of migration, immigrant integration, majority-minority relations, pluralism and multiculturalism, discrimination, equality, and the political, social, and individual responses to migration. While most of its activities center around European countries or Europe as a region, given the nature of its core themes the IRG also encourages research that situates Europe in an international, trans-Atlantic, or transnational context.





### Gender and Sexuality

The Gender and Sexuality Research Network aims at bringing together scholars working on gender and sexuality and enhancing research around a vast range of topics regarding gender and sexuality, from agenda-setting, policy change and policy implementation, multi-level governance, gender equality, gender dynamics in elections and voting behavior to women's and LGBT movements.

While a strong regional emphasis is put on European countries and the European Union, the research group also encourages comparative research that situates Europe or European countries in a transatlantic or international context. The Gender and Sexuality Research Network strongly supports diversity in methods.

### Social Movements

The European Social Movements Research Network aims to bring together scholars and graduate students, located around the world and working within a variety of disciplines, to study the themes of social movements, civil society, popular protest, active citizenship, NGOs, and contentious politics in Europe, as well as the ways in which social movements interact with spheres such as the media, culture and memory, democratic institutions and policing, etc. and the longer-term outcomes of social movements both positive and negative. While it welcomes scholars whose primary focus is national, regional or local, it also supports and encourages comparative and cross-national work, studies of transnational movements and those engaging with European institutions, as well as historical work on earlier generations of European social movements.

### Territorial Politics and Federalism

The Territorial Politics and Federalism Research Group (TPF-RG) provides a platform for scholars interested in the broad themes of territory and federalism, within but also outside of the European Union. Topics of interest to the TPF-RG span a wide array of subjects, ranging from territorial elections/electoral dynamics and multi-level governance, to issues related to regional paradiplomacy (both European and global), the reform of government structures, the re-definition of territory and regional spaces, consociationalism, ethnic conflict, the effect of federalism/decentralisation on government processes, outputs and outcomes, and broader issues regarding questions of participation, legitimacy, identity and efficiency.

# ACADEMIC CONSORTIUM

The Academic Consortium of the Council is an association of over 100 research institutions around the world dedicated to strengthening the study of Europe. The Consortium provides crucial support for the advancement of European Studies by helping defray the costs of important CES programming that nurtures and recognizes scholarly excellence.

Originally, the Council's Academic Consortium was a coalition of Western European Studies programs at eight major American universities: UC Berkeley, Columbia University, Harvard University, Princeton University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin, and Yale University. Since the mid-1970s, however, the Academic Consortium has expanded each year and now includes 100 institutions around the world.

Membership in the Council's Academic Consortium, currently costing \$450 per year per institution, provides many benefits for the member-institution. First and foremost, all students and scholars affiliated with the institution are eligible for all of the Council's fellowship and grants programs. This includes the new Dissertation Completion Fellowship, the Council's flagship Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship, Conference Travel Grants for young scholars, and publishing awards, including the First Article Prize and European

Studies Book Award. Additionally, membership in the Academic Consortium provides access to the Council's semiannual journal, *Perspectives on Europe*, and all other Council publications, including the forthcoming *A Guide to Grants and Fellowships for Europeanists*.

Consortium institutions also enjoy significant publicity and communications benefits from their memberships in CES. They can spotlight their European Studies news and opportunities prominently in the Council's monthly e-newsletter feature on "Member News," while also disseminating calls and announcements through the Council's extensive social media networks.

And, of course, dues from Consortium members help defray the expense of many Council programs, and thus reduce costs for affiliated libraries, faculty, and students. Most importantly in these complex times, dues from Consortium members support scholarly research and debate that helps us to better understand the past, present and future of Europe and its institutions.

Although the number of institutional members varies, in recent years it has hovered around 90-100 of the world's leading research centers and universities. On the following page is a list of the Council's institutional members as of June 30, 2012.





## INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS

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Cornell University	University of Denver
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Duke University	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
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Johns Hopkins / SAIS	University of South Carolina
Maastricht University	University of Southern California
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Memorial University of Newfoundland	University of Texas, Austin
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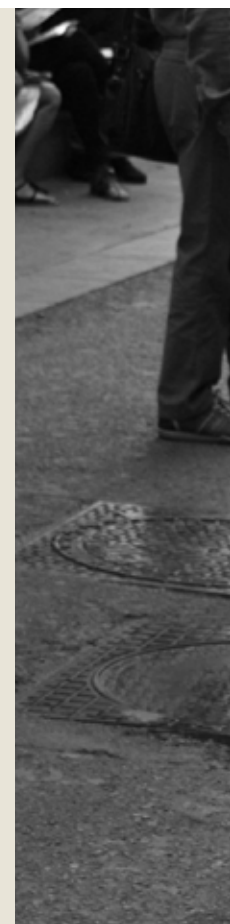
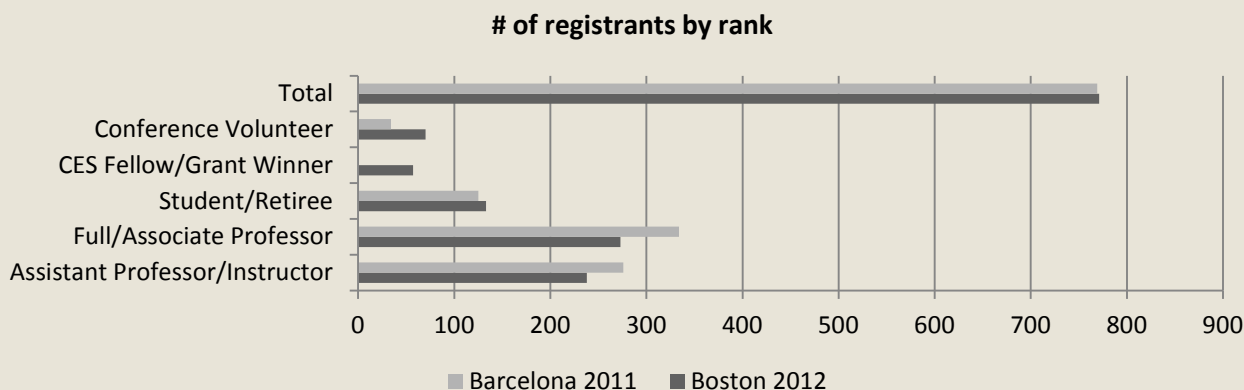
Initially formed as a small consortium of European Studies programs and affiliated centers and institutes, the Council limited membership solely to institutions in its earliest days. However, the late 1970s saw a pronounced growth in both interest and energy, primarily as a result of a dedicated group of participants who established the Council's annual conference as a major international gathering and greatly expanded the Council's research programs. This momentum allowed the Council to further enlarge its reach and membership was subsequently opened to individuals.

Since then, the number of individuals counted as members of the Council for European Studies (CES) has grown tremendously. During the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2012, CES boasted over 1,000 individual members. The vast majority of individuals gained their membership by participating in the Council's International Conference of Europeanists as formal participants. However, CES also attracted a sizable number of individuals paying the standard annual membership dues of \$100 per year for professionals and \$75 per year for students.

Membership in CES confers a number of benefits to individuals. Most notably, it provides access to all CES publications, including the semi-annual journal *Perspectives on Europe* and the popular *CES Resource Guides* series. This valuable perk gives members access to the Council's *Guide to Grants and Fellowships for Europeanists*, which is updated yearly and serves as a comprehensive source for grants, fellowships, and other opportunities available to young and established researchers working on topics in European Studies. In addition, membership in the Council confers eligibility for all CES fellowship and grant programs, which is particularly helpful for graduate students and early career scholars. The Council's current fellowship and grant programs include the Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship, the Mellon-CES Dissertation Completion Fellowship, the European Studies Book Award and the CES First Article Prize. The Council also offers members opportunities for professional development by organizing research symposia, holding seminars and webinars to develop the skills of young researchers, and providing research networks that strengthen international ties amongst Europeanists.

## TRANSCENDING BOUNDARIES

**Attending the conference** Each year, the International Conference of Europeanists hosts lively international, intergenerational and interdisciplinary conversation on a wide range of subjects. As shown in the chart below, while the clear majority of conference attendees are full or associate professors, the full generational spectrum is represented at the Council's conferences.



Individual membership in the council likewise gives Europeanists an important role in shaping the future direction of their field and the activities of their scholarly community, as only members in good standing are permitted to vote in CES elections or serve on the organization's governing Executive Committee.

Joining the Council means joining a community of professionals dedicated to the study of Europe and interested in developing a comprehensive perspective to engage some of today's most pressing issues. The Council's International Conference on Europeanists is the best occasion to meet fellow members and get a better sense of the state of the field as a whole. Held every year, and alternating between European and North American cities, the conference brings together more than 1,000 researchers and policy professionals. Members can participate in the conference by proposing a paper, organizing a panel, chairing/discussing a session, or simply attending as non-presenting participants.

In addition to those possessing a formal membership

in CES, there is also a large community of persons who engage with the Council's activities and benefit from its programming. These include the 500-600 members of CES Research Networks and the many readers of and contributors to CES publications. Through the Council's popular Facebook page, Twitter feed, and SocialGO Research Network portal, CES has managed to build a rich digital community of approximately 15,000 that supports the open discussion of topics relevant to Europeanists, publicizes funding and job opportunities, posts calls for papers, and fosters inter-disciplinarity amongst participants.



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**Independent Accountants' Review Report**

Board of Directors  
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New York, NY

We have reviewed the accompanying statements of financial position of Council for European Studies as of June 30, 2011, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of Organization management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements.

Our responsibility is to conduct the review in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our report.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



New York, NY  
May 3, 2012





# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

JULY 1, 2010 TO JUNE 30, 2011

## ASSETS

### *Current Assets:*

Cash	\$ 679,300
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 6,315
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Total Assets	\$ 685,615
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## LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

### *Liabilities:*

Accrued expenses	\$ 4,000
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Total liabilities	\$ 4,000

### *Net assets:*

Unrestricted	\$ 548,281
Temporarily restricted	\$ 133,334
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Total net assets	\$ 681,615
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Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 681,615
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## STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

	Program Services	Management & General	Fundraising	Total Expenses
Salaries and wages	\$ 67,378	13,475	8,984	89,837
Fringe benefits	\$ 19,973	3,995	2,663	26,631
Meetings and conferences	\$ 40,318	--	--	40,318
Administrative fees	\$ --	405	--	405
Bank charges and filing fees	\$ 2,240	4,682	185	7,107
Depreciation expenses	\$ 1,453	291	194	1,938
Supplies and materials	\$ 7,105	2,480	--	9,585
Outreach	\$ 1,530	--	--	1,530
Postage	\$ 2,925	106	--	3,031
Printing and publications	\$ 1,816	131	--	1,947
Professional fees	\$ 3,450	11,000	--	14,450
Stipends	\$ 83,450	--	--	83,450
Telephone	\$ 443	1,430	--	1,873
Travel	\$ 5,352	--	--	5,352
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TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 237,433	37,995	12,026	287,454

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

REVENUE	Unrestricted	Temp. Restricted	Total
Conference	\$ 170,649	--	170,649
Memberships	\$ 21,185	--	21,185
Misc. revenue	\$ 5,249	--	5,249
Interest	\$ 2,253	--	2,253
Total revenue & support	\$ 199,336	--	199,336
Net assets released from restriction	\$ 133,333	(133,333)	--
Total revenue & reclassifications	\$ 332,669	(133,333)	199,336
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Program services	\$ 237,433	--	237,433
Management & general	\$ 37,995	--	37,995
Fundraising	\$ 12,026	--	12,026
Total expenses	\$ 287,454	--	287,454
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ 45,215	(133,333)	(88,118)
Net assets, start of year	\$ 503,066	266,667	767,733
Net assets, end of year	\$ 548,281	133,334	681,615

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Decrease in net assets	\$ (88,118)
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	\$ 1,928
Changes in assets, increase (decrease):	
Grants receivable	\$
Changes in liabilities, increase (decrease):	
Accounts payable	\$
Deferred revenue	\$
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$
Net increase in cash balance	\$ (95,006)
Cash, beginning of the year	\$ 774,306
Cash, end of year	\$ 679,300



# SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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**Basis of presentation** - The accompanying financial statements of the Council for European Studies (hereafter, also called "The Council") have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as applicable to not-for-profit entities.

**Cash and cash equivalents** - The Council considers all unrestricted highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

**Property and Equipment** - Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets.

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**Expense allocations** - The costs of providing various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis and presented as supplementary information in the schedule of functional expenses. Costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services based on analysis of personnel time and utilization of related activities. Management and general expenses include those expenses that are not directly identifiable with any specific function but provide for the overall support and direction of the organization.

**Fair-value measurement** - The Council reports a fair-value measurement of all applicable financial assets and liabilities.

**Income taxes** - The Council has been classified as a publicly supported, tax exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(a) as organizations described in section 501(c)(3). Accordingly, no provision for federal or state income taxes has been made.

The Council adopted the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 740-10-05 relating to accounting and reporting for uncertainty in income taxes. Due to the Council's tax-exempt status, ASC 740-10-05 has not had, and is not expected to have, a material impact on the organization's financial statements.

**Use of estimates** - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

**Concentration of credit risk** - The Council maintains its cash accounts in a commercial bank. Cash balances located in the commercial bank are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Company (FDIC) up to \$250,000. At various time of the year, the Council had cash balances in excess of FDIC insured limits.

**Subsequent events** - The Council considers the accounting treatments, and the related disclosures in the current fiscal-year's financial statements, that may be required as the result of all events or transactions that occur after the fiscal year-end through the date of the independent auditors' report.

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors  
Council for European Studies  
New York, NY

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of Council for European Studies as of June 30, 2012, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial positions of Council for European Studies as of June 30, 2012, and the changes in their net assets and cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



New York, NY  
March 29, 2013

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

JULY 1, 2011 TO JUNE 30, 2012

## ASSETS

### *Current Assets:*

Cash	\$1,112,296
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 1,165
Total Assets	<u>\$1,119,434</u>

## LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

### *Liabilities:*

Accrued expenses	\$ 8,000
Deferred revenue	\$ 20,772
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 28,772</u>

### *Net assets:*

Unrestricted	\$ 440,662
Temporarily restricted	\$ 650,000
Total net assets	<u>\$1,090,662</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$1,119,434</u>

## STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

	Program Services	Management & General	Fundraising	Total Expenses
Salaries and wages	\$ 73,419	58,735	14,684	146,838
Payroll taxes & fringe benefits	\$ 18,812	15,050	3,762	37,624
Administrative fees	\$ 182	146	36	364
Awards and stipends	\$ 90,000	--	--	90,000
Bank charges and filing fees	\$ --	5,692	--	5,692
Conferences & meetings	\$ 156,220	--	--	156,220
Depreciation expenses	\$ 1,387	1,110	277	2,774
Honorarium	\$ 2,500	--	--	2,500
Internships	\$ --	1,000	--	1,000
Miscellaneous	\$ --	211	--	211
Online & website	\$ 5,863	4,690	1,173	11,726
Outreach	\$ 2,804	659	--	3,468
Postage	\$ 3,429	1,729	--	5,158
Printing & publication costs	\$ 24	--	--	24
Professional fees	\$ 4,200	8,000	--	12,200
Supplies & materials	\$ 1,494	1,195	299	2,988
Telephone	\$ 1,483	1,186	297	2,966
Travel	\$ 2,000	--	--	2,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 363,817	99,403	20,528	483,748

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

REVENUE	Unrestricted	Temp. Restricted	Total
Grants & contributions	\$ 9,125	650,000	659,125
Conference	\$ 197,679	--	197,679
Memberships	\$ 28,009	--	28,009
Misc. revenue	\$ 6,645	--	6,645
Interest	\$ 1,337	--	1,337
Total revenue & support	\$ 274,668	--	274,668
Net assets released from restriction	\$ 133,334	(133,334)	--
Total revenue & reclassifications	\$ 376,129	(133,334)	892,795
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Program services	\$ 363,817	--	363,817
Management & general	\$ 99,403	--	99,403
Fundraising	\$ 20,528	--	20,528
Total expenses	\$ 483,748	--	483,748
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ (107,619)	516,666	409,047
Net assets, start of year	\$ 548,281	133,334	681,615
Net assets, end of year	\$ 440,662	650,000	1,090,662

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Increase in net assets	\$ 409,047
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	\$ 2,774
Changes in assets, increase (decrease):	
Prepaid expenses	\$ (1,165)
Changes in liabilities, increase (decrease):	
Accrued expenses	\$ 4,000
Deferred revenue	\$ 20,772
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 435,428
Cash flows from investing activities	
Purchased equipment	\$ (2,432)
Net cash used in investing activities	\$ (2,432)
Net increase in cash balance	\$ 432,996
Cash, beginning of the year	\$ 679,300
Cash, end of year	\$ 1,112,296



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