

Jean Monnet Center of Excellence

Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań

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Organized Conferences

Topic: "Plenary session – Europe and the European Union in the face of new challenges. Europe goes global"

Date: February 6-7, 2020 Venue: Słubice, Poland

The International Scientific Conference "Europe of the 21st century" took place at Collegium Polonicum in Słubice on February 6-7, 2020. The organizers of the event are the Faculty of Political Science and Journalism of the University of Adam Mickiewicz in Poznań—in particular the members of the Jean Monnet Center of Excellence: Professors Tadeusz Wallas and Magdalena Musiał-Karg—as well as the European Research and Education Center and Collegium Polonicum in Słubice. The conference was an opportunity to present the results of scientific research on current problems in Europe.



The participants were the scientists representing Polish and foreign research centers, journalists, politicians and others interested in the problems of Europe, the European Union, as well as its relations with the closer or more distant neighborhood of the EU. The main topic of the plenary and panel discussions was the future of Europe and the European Union. Many aspects influencing the further development and evolution of the Community were discussed: the issue of security, development in individual Member States and the policies at the domestic and EU levels. The conference was attended by scientists and politicians from Poland, European Union countries as well as Kazakhstan, Russia and Turkey. The conference was an opportunity to exchange experiences and confront many views on the European Union and Europe. The representatives of the Jean Monnet Center of Excellence actively participated in the discussions, in particular by organizing the panel "Europe and the world in the postcrisis era. Analysis and comparison of the socio-economic development strategy in 2008-2020. "

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Topic: "The World in the Era and the Post-Pandemic Period"

Date: May 20-21, 2020

Venue: Faculty of Political Science and Journalism, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań

The members of the Jean Monnet Center of Excellence actively participated in the 1st International e-Conference "The World in the Era and the Post-Pandemic Period," which was held on May 20-21, 2020. Researchers from 45 research units participated in the conference, and 120 papers were presented. The participants expressed an interest to publish a joint a post-conference publication, which is planned for the first quarter of 2021. The second edition of the conference was scheduled for April 22-23, 2021.





Topic: " **Development directions of the European Union during the pandemic 2020**"

Date: September 5, 2020

Venue: Faculty of Political Science and Journalism, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań



Webinar on the directions of development of the European Union during the COVID-19 pandemic

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Topic: "Social policy in the 21st century. Coherence in three dimensions ""

Date: December 17, 2020

Venue: Faculty of Political Science and Journalism, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań

Members of the Jean Monnet Center of Excellence created a panel on the approach to international social policy during the 3rd National Scientific Conference on social policy, which was moderated by one of our team members, Prof. Maciej Walkowski.

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News from our Team members

JM Centre of Excellence team member Rafał Szymanowski took part in Young Scholars' Debut in March 2020. The objective of the Debut was to enable participants to publicly present an academic paper on the topic related to the main theme of the CoE. During the event students' presentations were discussed and evaluated in terms of form and content. The event was addressed to students who do not typically deal with EU issues. They were provided with guidance on self-presentation, useful for their professional careers whether at the university or elsewhere, in institutions and organizations dealing with European matters and financed from EU resources.

Over 150 people attending JM Center of Excellence lectures

Over 150 people participate in lectures on "The European Union in the modern world" led by the CoE team! The lectures will be held from today, every week, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The first lecture was given by Prof. Tadeusz Wallas. Next week there will be a presentation of prof. Beata Przybylska-Maszner. Due to the pandemic, lectures are held remotely using the Microsoft Teams application.





1) Czachór, Zbigniew. 2020. "Razem czy osobno? Polska i Niemcy po wyborach prezydenckich 2020." [Together or separate? Poland and Germany after the presidential elections in 2020]. Res Publica Nowa. 6 August 2020.

The article (in Polish) concerns Polish-German relations during the German presidency of the EU Council. This is when the EU's strategic financial framework and the reconstruction agenda are being decided.

2) Czachór, Zbigniew. 2020. "Przyszłość UE w rękach niemieckiej prezydencji?" [The future of the EU in the hands of the German presidency?] Res Publica Nowa. 20 October 2020.

The professor emphasizes the importance of the presidency of the EU Council and why it plays a key role in the integration today — it is a unique institution that combines two methods of integration: intergovernmental and community (supranational). The presidency is part of the decision-making process both in the Member State and in the European Union.

3) Jasiak, Kinga. 2019. "The International Monetary Fund's Role in Overcoming Economic Crisis in PIIGS." Polish Political Science Yearbook 48 (3): 476–486.

The aim of the article is to draw and analyze the most important IMF activities towards PIIGS (Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Greece and Spain), especially what instruments were proposed as a help and what changes had to be made by receiving states in order to receive the financial support. The ten-year perspective taken in the article allows for the more comprehensive assessment of the issue.

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4) Walkowski, Maciej. 2020. "Niepewna przyszłość świata: Perspektywa i sytuacja gospodarcza świata w okresie (po)pandemicznym." [The Uncertain Future: The Perspective and Economic Situation of the World in the (Post) Pandemic Period]. Życie Uniwersyteckie, 9 September, 2020.

The SARS-CoV-2 virus causing COVID 19 disease is not only a serious health and humanitarian crisis, but also especially in the long term - an economic and financial crisis, including the risk of a long-term recession. In his article, the Professor looks for an answer to the question regarding the condition of the European Union and the world from social, economic and financial perspectives in

5) Kusa, Natalia and Kinga Jasiak. 2020. "An Analysis of NEETs Situation in UE28 Countries and the Example of Netherlands." Przegląd Politologiczny 3:

39-51.

The aim of the article is to compare a NEET rate in EU-28 countries based on the most recent Eurostat statistical studies, and to solve a research problem concerning the situation of youth on the job market. The analysis is supplemented by the case study of Netherlands which has the lowest NEET rate and as such stands as the example for the other European countries to follow.

the (post) pandemic decades and how quickly it will be possible to return to the "new normality".

6) Szymanowski, Rafał. 2020. "One step too far? The euro and European integration." Journal of European Integration 42 (4): 601-608.

This review discusses four recent books which engage in a discussion on the euro and its meaning for European integration. The publications shed new light on the euro's biggest dilemmas after its twentieth anniversary and provide a valuable overview of the possible paths the euro might take in its third decade.





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