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#### **Letter from the Director**

Another whirlwind year has EURUS on the move, this time quite literally. In early 2012, the Institute will move into Carleton's new River building. We'll enjoy floor-to-ceiling natural light, a patio overlooking the river, and, in this beautiful space, no elevators! Regardless of location, EURUS' heart is its people. We have another excellent incoming class, recruited (again!) from Victoria to St. John's, with one student from Russia and one from Ukraine. Six of our students traveled to Russia and Georgia for language training or fieldwork sponsored by the Magna Fund for Russian Studies. On the EU side, five EURUS MA students went on the 3-week EU Study Tour; five participated in internships from Vienna to Riga; and three received support from the Centre for European Studies' grant from the European Commission to help support field research in Europe

Our events over the past year continue to expand our national and global footprint. We hosted two major conferences on the Arctic; the first, co-sponsored by the Russian and Norwegian embassies, drew over 100 businesspeople, government officials, academics, and students. Comments by Russia's ambassador-at-large Anton Vasiliev landed us in the *Globe and Mail*. Frank Stronach, the sponsor of the Magna Fund that helped bring the conference, visited in October with an inspiring talk on entrepreneurship and success for our students. We hosted a meeting of the revitalized Ottawa branch of the Canada-Eurasia-Russia Business Association.

The twentieth anniversary of the collapse of the USSR did not go unnoticed. EURUS hosted events with the Azerbaijan and Baltic embassies to mark twenty years of independence. On November 23, past and present directors, including Carl McMillan, Carter Elwood, Joan DeBardeleben, Piotr Dutkiewicz, Andrea Chandler, and myself shared personal, sometimes poignant, memories of the collapse at a special event geared at our alumni. Earlier this year Larry Black shared his memories as well. I am particularly happy at the way we have engaged our alumni, and the contacts that we have re-established have been wonderful for our current students. We also take great pride in seeing how former EURUS BA's and MA's have succeeded in government, non-governmental, business and academic fields.

Last but not least, I have been extremely proud of our faculty accomplishments, which are too numerous to mention. Joan DeBardeleben received a Jean Monnet Chair in the EU's Eastern Neighbourhood Relations. The Chair, sponsored by the European Commission's Lifelong Learning Program, was awarded as part of an international competition and solidifies Joan's and Carleton's reputation as a leader in European studies not just in Canada, but worldwide. Piotr Dutkiewicz met Prime Minister Putin and other Russian leaders in November as the only Canadian on the Valdai group of experts. We were able to hire, for the first time this year, an outreach and development coordinator. Kim Howson, a recent graduate, has stayed on to help us this year before moving to her interests in combating human trafficking. Kim has been an integral part of our success in hosting the above events as well as expanding our connections in Ottawa. She is constantly working to improve our website, <a href="www.carleton.ca/eurus">www.carleton.ca/eurus</a>, so we invite you to visit frequently for the latest news and events.

Jeff Sahadeo

### CES Director awarded a Jean Monnet Chair

Joan DeBardeleben (EURUS and Political Science) has been successful in her application for a Jean Monnet Chair in the EU's Eastern Neighbourhood Relations. The Chair is supported by the European Union's Life Long Learning Programme and is awarded on the basis of an international competitive process. This is Carleton's first Jean Monnet Chair. Initial funding for the Chair, which runs from September 2011 through August 2014, will support teaching, research, and outreach activities relating to the EU's relations with non-member states

in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. The Chair's activities will reach out to students with East European interests from a variety of academic programs and will host a number of research, outreach, reflection and interactive events that will engage researchers and the policy community in Ottawa, facilitating discussion about the EU's relations with Eastern Europe, how this reflects the EU's changing global role, and what this means for Canada. Congratulations Professor DeBardeleben!

## First Impressions of EURUS

**Karin Abma, MA1**: Quite frankly, I was terrified that I was going to be in this EURUS program with a bunch of nerds who didn't know anything about any other part of the world than Eastern Europe and Russia. I drove across the continent having no idea what I was getting myself into. As it turns out, the students are very interested in Europe, Russia, and Eurasia because they are interested in the greater world around us and how it works, and I was silly to have been nervous at all. The professors encourage us to seek answers and question assumptions while they support us in our studies and research. It has been a huge adjustment, moving to a new city, a new province, into a new house with new roommates, and that adjustment has been stressful at times. However, having had great conversations, classes, food, coffee, and social times, I feel safe to say that the stress was worth it and really, it was more exciting than anything else. I even feel like I don't quite have the right to complain about papers and deadlines because I feel too fortunate to have found this program.

Adriane Cartmell, MA1: When I first arrived at Carleton for orientation I was a little nervous. I hadn't been on the campus before and after my adventure with the transit system I wasn't sure I was up for any more surprises that day. After about 3 wrong turns and 4 helpful students I finally found my way to the EURUS department, I stepped off the elevator, took a deep breath and no one was there. Luckily I found them once I wandered the floor for a minute or two. Everyone was very friendly and I soon forgot that it was my first day. As the semester sped by I got back into the rhythm of university life and finally figured out the transit. Within a month I could not imagine myself being anywhere else for school. For lack of a better word the EURUS department was cozy. Not only were the professors amazingly intelligent, they also actually cared about each and every student, and were absolutely dedicated to helping us get the most out of this experience. The EURUS department at Carleton didn't just meet my expectations it absolutely blew them away.

### MA Students Abroad

Kelly Holmes: This past October I travelled to Moscow for 2 weeks for a short research trip,



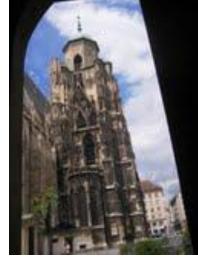
which was funded by the Magna Fund bursary I was awarded in April. While I was there I spent several days looking for sources at the Russian State Library. Getting a book in the library is an experience in itself. No less than 3 requests need to be submitted to get the book and this is after finding the source in the card catalogue, with an organizational system I was never able to master. However, the time was fairly well spent and I was able to find some sources not available by inter-library loan. As for the fun part of the trip, I spent some time walking around the city and exploring the area around my hostel. My favourite tourist excursion (besides Red Square of course) was the Statue/Monument part located in front of the Tretyakov Gallery and across the street from Gorky Park. Nothing beats a nose-less Stalin!

### A Journey through Europe: By Lauren Tognela

This was the summer of adventures. From participating in a European Union (EU) Study Tour, an internship in Vienna, and conducting my own personal research in Belgium and Macedonia, I experienced a variety of European cultures, languages, and lifestyles. The first part of my journey was the EU Study Tour where I visited different institutions including the European Court of Justice, the European Central Bank, and the European Court of Human

Rights, gaining a practical perspective into how European institutions function. Surrounded by students from all different backgrounds, this was truly an interdisciplinary experience.

Living in Austria for two months I enjoyed Vienna's arts, music, food, and history. I visited the grave of the famous musician Beethoven, saw an Italian opera at the *Staatsoper*, and tasted the delicious chocolate cake, *Sachertorte*, as well as travelled to Salzburg to see the birthplace of Mozart. Vienna was one of the most beautiful cities I have ever lived in. Walking through the centre of Vienna, one is simply awestruck with its quiet and yet elegant architectural beauty. My internship at the European Union Fundamental Rights Agency, FRA gave a first-hand look into the daily activities of an EU agency, and allowed me to work with specialists in the human rights field.



New and exciting opportunities were visible in each of the activities I participated in this summer. I experienced different cultures, gained valuable insights into future job opportunities in Europe, and furthered my education with work experience. Studies at EURUS have not only given me the theoretical foundation in which to pursue my research interests, but it has provided opportunities to partake in the practical aspects of studying Europe.

**John Karalis**: Over the summer I spent three months living in Riga, the capital of Latvia. This architecturally unique city is noted for its Art Nouveau/Jugendstil and 19th century wooden architecture in its historical centre. The experience of living and working in this Eastern European country helped me contextualize the post-communist transition in Eastern Europe and the problems associated with it, much of which was discussed in previous EURUS course work.

I divided my time in Riga between the Centre for European and Transition Studies at the University of Latvia and the Canadian Embassy to Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia. At the Centre for European and Transition Studies I helped with the organization of the graduation ceremony for the 2011 Master's students in European studies. This experience was particularly unique, as it demonstrated the cultural differences between graduation ceremonies in Latvia and Canada. The ceremony included numerous speeches given by the diplomatic representatives of many European countries, singing of the Latvian national anthem and a reception following the ceremony where students were granted the opportunity to meet many of the European diplomats and receive awards for their research.



The other half of my time in Riga I interned at the Canadian Embassy to Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia. Here I learnt the inner workings of an embassy, which go beyond political responsibilities. This includes harnessing relationships with local businesses and government, organization and participation in cultural activities, both Canadian and Latvian, and educating the locals about Canadian customs and culture. As an intern, I had the opportunity to organize and partake in numerous activities, such as the Canada Day celebrations, Ligo Svetki (Midsummer Festival) and cheering on our under-19 Canadian basketball team against the Latvians as well as other European countries. Despite partaking in two internships over the summer, I still

had enough time to travel throughout Latvia and explore Latvian culture, particularly its music and opera and try the local food and beer. The internship program provides not only a hands-on application of academic material learnt at EURUS, particularly in the post-communist world, but also the great experience of living abroad for a summer.

### Congratulations to all 2011 EURUS graduates!

Michelle Donaldson
Ruby Pratka
Anstasia Smolentseva
Danielle Soderholm

BA

Rebecca Wehner

MA

Bakhtiyar Aliyev Kim Howson
Daniel Armstrong Evan Keaschuk
Kaven Baker-Voakes Giuseppe Raso
Lianne Bernardo Andrea Reid
Megan Brunton Anna Tobin
Vlad Ionescu Stephen Van Zuylen
Denis Giroux

Katharina Hoegl

## 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Collapse of the USSR – Event

**Twenty years** after the collapse of the Soviet Union, its legacies still have a far-reaching impact on Europe, Russia, and Eurasia. At the same time, all of the former Soviet republics have forged new identities which they are continuing to foster. On November 23, 2011, at a special event marking the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the collapse of the Soviet Union, the former Directors of ISEES, CERAS, and EURUS reflected on their impressions of the collapse, its impact on the region, and how it has shaped their own research as well as transformed the Institute, from Soviet and East European Studies to European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies.

The event featured a panel discussion with Carter Elwood, Carl McMillan, Joan DeBardeleben, Piotr Dutkiewicz, Andrea Chandler, and Jeff Sahadeo. Speakers provided glimpses into their own experiences in the final days of the Soviet Union and in Russia in the 1990s. Their reflections on the collapse and on the transformation of the Russian Federation thereafter demonstrate that although the Cold War is over, Russia and the states of the former



Soviet Union continue to serve as exciting and unpredictable subjects of study. The event was followed by a question period and reception that was attended by faculty, students, alumni, and members of the public.

### Frank Stronach at Carleton

In November, 2010 we received a magnificent gift of \$450,000 from Magna Corporation. The Magna gift is dedicated to supporting and developing graduate studies and teaching in the area of Russian Studies, including but not limited to initiatives such as awards for field studies in Russia, visiting scholars, conferences, the creation of publications promoting Russian studies, language training, student and faculty exchanges and travel grants. To honour

Frank Stronach for his donation, Carleton hosted him at the university on October 19, 2011, where he spoke to students about the importance of keeping Canada competitive in a troubling global economic environment. Many EURUS students attended the event, including those who have received grants from the Magna Fund for research and language study in Russia and the former Soviet Union.

### Conference on Azerbaijan

On November 3, EURUS co-hosted an afternoon conference with the Embassy of the Republic of Azerbaijan to mark the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the country's independence from the Soviet Union. Aimed at exploring current and past issues, the conference focused on two aspects of the country: important political and economic issues, and the development of identity. As a newly independent country, Azerbaijan had to build many of its institutions from scratch. Scholarly disciplines, such as history, sociology, and literature, experienced significant change, jettisoning the dominant Marxist-Leninist ideology. Azerbaijan experienced conflict, transition from a planned to market economy, and social change altogether at the same time. Nevertheless, Azerbaijan has become a key player in the Caspian region, which has emerged as a vital energy and transportation link between Central Asia and Europe.

The conference featured opening remarks by EURUS Director Jeff Sahadeo and H.E. Farid Shafiyev, Ambassador of the Republic of Azerbaijan. This was followed by talks by: Jeff Sahadeo, on "Azerbaijani Traders: Between Home and Moscow in the Soviet and Post-Soviet Eras;" Dr. Audrey Alstadt of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, on "The Use of Azerbaijan's Turkic Language in the Public Sphere; the Mundane and the Poetic;" and Dr. Mathieu Courville of the University of Ottawa, on "Azerbaijan, Schism, and Secularism, and the Contemporary Islamic World." The second part of the conference featured talks by: Melita Kuburas, Centre for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, University of Toronto, on "Armenian-Azerbaijani Conflict;" Dr. Christoph Zuercher, University of Ottawa, "The Karabakh War. What Can, What Should We Learn;"and Dr. Robert Cutler, Carleton University, on "The Role of Azerbaijan in European Energy Projects."

## Applied Policy Skills 2010-2011

**Professor Crina Viju**: In the academic year 2010-2011, eleven MA EURUS students and one 4th year BA EURUS student completed the internship program and the Applied Policy Skills course attached to the internship. Students were assisted in finding internships in government, non-governmental or other organizations, if possible in areas related to their studies. The following organizations agreed to take on interns for the 2010-2011 academic year: Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada, CIDA, Spanish Embassy, Irish Embassy, International Advisory Services Accreditation Canada, CANADEM, Inuit Circumpolar Council, World Hope and Geoff Dubrow Governance Consulting Inc. The internship program gave the students the opportunity to build professional networks that will open up future opportunities for them.

Students also gained work experience, which is extremely valuable in the current job market. In parallel with the internship, the course work was intended to provide the students with job skills training that would support their internship experience. Thus, three guest lecturers were invited to talk about the Government of Canada as an employer and developing policy briefs and Results-Based Management (Ivan Ross Vrana, Senior Special Policy Adviser at Health Canada); to re-structure and update their CVs (Yvonne Collins, Career Counseling, Carleton University); and to provide basic networking and oral communication skills (Geoff Dubrow, Geoff Dubrow Governance Consulting Inc.). I think the experience was successful and very enjoyable for all of us.

## Faculty and Associate News

**James Casteel** published an essay on "Historicizing the Nation: Transnational Approaches to the Recent European Past" in Achim Hurrelmann and Joan DeBardeleben, eds., *Transnational Europe: Problems, Paradox, Limits* (Palgrave Macmillan 2011), 153-169. He also published a review of Vejas Liulevicius, *The German Myth of the East: 1800 to Present* in *Nationalities Papers* 39, 3 (2011), 462-464. Last year he presented his work on interwar German travelers to the Soviet Union to the German Studies Association annual meeting in Oakland, California and at a conference on European Identities organized by the University of Guelph. In November, he joined Professor Andrew Cohen from journalism in commenting and leading an audience discussion of the recent German film *Eichmann's End: Love, Treachery, and Death* that premiered in Ottawa as part of Holocaust Education Month. He is currently completing a book manuscript on German imaginings of Russia in the first half of the twentieth century.

**Andrea Chandler** published "Women, Gender and Federalism in Russia: a Deafening Silence" in *Federalism, Feminism and Multilevel Governance*, edited by Melissa Haussman, Marian Sawer and Jill Vickers (Ashgate 2010). Since 2006 she has been working on a research project entitled "Gender, Identity and Social Policy in Post-communist Russian Political Discourse, 1990 to present". The project is funded by SSHRC. In July 2011, Professor Chandler presented the paper "A Theory of Patriarchy in Communist and Post-Communist Societies" to the "Women's Worlds 2011" International Conference, held in Ottawa.

**Joan DeBardeleben** was awarded a Jean Monnet Chair in the EU's Eastern Neighborhood Relations. Professor DeBardeleben's recent publications and papers include:

- "The Russian Federation," in *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, 6th edition Mark Kesselmann, Joel Krieger, and William A. Joseph eds. (Boston: Cengage, published November 2011), pp. 330-383; also published in *Introduction to Comparative Politics: Brief Edition*, 2nd edition, pp. 184-236.
- *Transnational Europe: Promise, Paradox, Limits*, co-editor and co-author of the Introduction and Conclusion (with Achim Hurrelman) (Houndsmill Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011), 271 pages.
- "Revising the EU's European Neighbourhood Policy: The Eastern Partnership and Russia," in *Russia Foreign Policy in the 21st Century*, Roger E. Kanet, ed. (Houndsmill, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011), pp. 246-265.
- "Governance Approaches, Political Authority, and EU-Russian Relations," presented at the annual conference of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, Washington D.C. November 17-20, 2011.
- "Applying Constructivism to the Understanding of Russian Foreign Policy Formation toward Europe: What Methods, What Purpose?' presented at the Catalytic Workshop on Domestic and International Dynamics: Agency and (Re)action in Russian Foreign Policy, International Studies Association, March 15, 2011, Montreal

**Piotr Dutkiewicz** continues to teach the graduate-level core seminar and supervises a number of MA students' research essays and theses. In addition, he is co-editor of the *Review of European and* 

Russian Affairs, coordinator of the Magna Fund for Russian Studies, and member of the so called Valdai Club, a group of forty world renowned experts on Russia. In May, 2011, Professor Dutkiewicz initiated and co-organized an international conference: Canada/Russia/Norway: Dialogue and Cooperation in the Arctic – Development of the Best International Practices. The conference was organized with support from the Norwegian and Russian embassies in Ottawa and in cooperation with INAC, DFAIT, DND, and the Valdai Club.

Professor Dutkiewicz's recent publications and presentations include:

- Piotr Dutkiewicz and Grzegorz Gorzelak, Central and Eastern Europe: Shapes of Transformation, Crisis and the Possible Futures, in: Craig Calhoun and Georgi Derluguian eds. *Aftermath. A New Global Order?* NYUP, New York and London, 2011, pp. 181 209;
- Piotr Dutkiewicz, *Democracy State- Market and Modernization in Eastern Europe*, in: Vladislav Inozemtsev (ed.) *Democracy and Modernization*, Moscow, Europe Publisher, 2011, pp.72 -86
- Shapes of the Crisis 2007-2009, for XII International Academic Conference on Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, April 5-7, 2011
- Russian socio-political development after Medvedev, in: Investing in Russia Myth and facts, CERBA Conference, Toronto, 22 September, 2011
- International Institutions as Cultural Bridges, in: World Public Forum Dialogue of Civilization Conference, panel on Cross-Cultural Institutions and Law, Rhodos, Greece, October 6-10, 2011;
- Poland and Russia Uneasy Partners, in: Public lecture, Warsaw University, EUROREG, 20 May, 2011;

**Carter Elwood** published a book this year entitled *The Non-Geometric Lenin: Essays on the Development of the Bolshevik Party, 1910-1914* (London: Anthem, 2011). He also was elected Honorary President of the Canadian Association of Slavists for 2011-2012 at the annual meeting of the CAS in May. Professor Elwood is currently compiling a series of lectures entitled "Why Switzerland?" for Carleton's Learning in Retirement program.

**Jan Fedorowicz,** who has taught a EURUS course on Central Europe for the past few years, will be teaching a third-year course on Russian History from the reign of Peter the Great to the present day. Focused around the theme of State, security and identity, it is intended as a complement to Carter Ellwood's second year survey of Russian history. This May, Dr. Fedorowicz will be focusing his Central European seminar more specifically on the "northern tier" of Central European countries (Poland, Hungary and the Czech lands). And in the autumn of 2012, he will be offering a seminar course on the political economy of post-communist Europe and what it means for doing business in the region."

**Achim Hurrelmann** was awarded the 2011 Faculty of Public Affairs Teaching Award. In his research, he continues to work on two major projects, one focusing on the politicization and legitimation of European integration (SSHRC Standard Research Grant), the other on a comparison between European and North American integration (Humboldt Foundation TransCoop Grant, with Steffen Schneider). Results of these projects were presented at the Council for European Studies Conference in Barcelona/Spain in June 2011 and at the European Consortium of Political Research Conference in Reykjavik/Iceland in August 2011. With Joan DeBardeleben, Achim co-edited a volume titled *Transnational Europe: Promise, Paradox, Limits* that appeared in June 2011 with Palgrave Macmillan; the book emerged from a conference held at the Centre for European Studies. With Patrick

Leblond, Achim co-chairs the program committee for the European Community Studies Association – Canada (ECSA-C) Biennial Conference in April 2012 in Ottawa; he is also co-chair of the Comparative Politics Section for the Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Conference in Edmonton in June 2012. In the context of the European financial crisis, Achim gave a number of media interviews, among them an appearance in the monthly foreign policy panel on the CBC's The National.

**Milana Nikolko** continues to teach EURR 4204A/5204 and History 4604/5604: Central Europe: Past and Present, and EURR 4100/5100: Nation-Building in Central and Eastern Europe. Her current project is entitled *The Canadian Ukrainian Diaspora: Social Capital and Horizontal Legitimacy*. While working on this, she has also found the time for the following publications/conferences/presentations:

- Nikolko, M and David Carment. 2010. "Social Capital Development in multiethnic Crimea: global, regional and local constraints and opportunities," *Caucasian Review of International Affairs*. Vol. 4(4)(2010): 368-385.
- Nikolko, M, et al. "Diasporas, Remittances and Social Capital," paper prepared for the annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Montreal PQ March 16-18 2011.
- "Ukrainian National Identity: Reflection In The Mirror Of 'The Other," presented at the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard University, April 11-12, 2011
- Nikolko, M and David Carment, "Diasporas, Social Capital and State Fragility," paper prepared for the Annual meeting of Association for the Studies of Nationalities, Columbia University, April 14-16, 2011.

**Jeff Sahadeo** continues as Institute director and graduate supervisor, yet refuses to give up on his research. He published "The Accidental Traders: Marginalization and Opportunity from the Southern Republics to Late Soviet Moscow" in *Central Asian Survey* (30, 3-4 (2011): 521-540). He also presented papers on Soviet and post-Soviet south-north migration to the Association for the Study of Nationalities, the Central Eurasian Studies Society, and the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies. Professor Sahadeo travelled to Batumi and Tbilisi Georgia to conduct his own fieldwork and give lectures to professors from across the former Soviet Union as part of the Open Society Institute's Regional Seminar for Excellence in Teaching. In relation to another OSI project, he is mentoring junior professors from Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan. He has also been active in forming a Migration and Diaspora Cluster at Carleton University, which won an internal Research Excellence Fund grant. In addition to supervising three EURUS MA research essays and one thesis to successful completion, he developed a new interdisciplinary course on the Caucasus.

**Crina Viju** continues to teach graduate and undergraduate courses in the department, all the while working on a project that concerns the impact of the new EU free trade agreements on the welfare of the Central and East European Countries. Professor Viju has also managed to publish the following papers/deliver the following presentations this year:

- Viju C., Yeung M.T. and Kerr W. (2011) Post-Moratorium EU Regulation of Genetically Modified Products: Triffid Flax, CATPRN Commissioned Paper and Trade Policy Brief, http://www.uoguelph.ca/catprn/PDF-CP/CP2011-03-viju-yeung-kerr.pdf, September 2011.
- Viju C., Yeung M.T. and Kerr W. (2011) Post-Moratorium EU Regulation of Genetically Modified Products: Trade Concerns, CATPRN Commissioned Paper and Trade Policy Brief, http://www.uoguelph.ca/catprn/PDF-CP/CP-2011-02-Viju.pdf, July 2011.
- Viju C. and Kerr W. A. (2011) Agriculture in the Canada-EU Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA), *International Journal*, Vol. 66(3), Summer 2011.

- Viju C. and Kerr W.A. (2011) Protectionism and Global Recession Has the Link Been Broken? *Journal of World Trade*, Vol. 45(3).
- Viju C. and Kerr W.A. (2011) "How integrated are EU agricultural markets?" at the CEA (Canadian Economics Association) Annual Meeting, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON, June 2011.
- Kerr, W.A., Viju, C. and Mekkaoiu, C. (2011) "Beyond the photo-op: Agriculture in Canada-EU Free Trade Agreement" at the Department of Agribusiness and Agricultural Economics, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, March 2011.

# **New: Outreach and Development Co- ordinator**

This year, EURUS welcomed Kim Howson, a recent EURUS graduate, to the new position of Outreach and Development Co-ordinator. Kim has extensive experience in the NGO community and with various outreach projects. Since taking up this position in August, she has, among other tasks: taken the lead in designing a strategy for the EURUS website and social media; initiated outreach efforts with government, NGOs, and the business community; coordinated EURUS events; and led students in their involvement with the institute.

# **EURUS Administrator Ginette Lafleur** wins Staff Award!

Jeff Sahadeo: I was extremely pleased that the Faculty of Public Affairs honoured Ginette Lafleur with its staff award of excellence for 2010-11. As all of our students know, Ginette has been a critical part of the Institute's success. I have admired her caring touch, attention to detail, and uncanny ability to resolve student problems. She does this all while juggling several roles, from more secretarial duties to the administration of both undergraduate and graduate programs. Yet Ginette always has time to talk to and calm down students and faculty, and it's her personal touch as well as her effectiveness that distinguishes her. Congratulations Ginette!

### **EURUS** is moving!

In 2012, EURUS will be moving from its home in Dunton Tower to the new River Building, located next to the Steacie Building on the south side of campus. The Institute will occupy one floor of the new building. Our new home will accommodate both student and faculty offices and will features a new student lounge, a new – and larger – seminar room, and no elevators! The resource centre, which EURUS currently shares with the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA), will also be moving. The move is expected to take place in January or February. So long, but not farewell, Dunton Tower!

## Centre for European Studies







EU Centre of Excellence

Centre for European Studies-EU Centre of Excellence

Director: Prof. Joan DeBardeleben

Associate Directors: **Prof. Robert Gould** (outreach), **Prof. Achim Hurrelmann** (research)

CES Manager and EUCE Network Coordinator: Natasha Joukovskaia

EU Programs Coordinator: Brigid Bedard

The Centre for European Studies (CES) is proud to be hosting the 9th Biennial Conference of the European Community Studies Association-Canada (ECSA-C). The conference will be held in Ottawa on April 26-28, 2012. It is organized with the support of the Lifelong Learning Programme of the European Union; European Community Studies Association-Canada; Carleton University; and the Canada-Europe Transatlantic Dialogue (supported by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada). Information about the conference is available on the ECSA-C website at web.uvic.ca/ecsac/biennial2012 Students will have the opportunity on April 26, 2012 to participate in the Young Researchers Network Professional Development Day (web.uvic.ca/ecsac/biennial2012/yrn-pdd.html). The conference email is ecsac2012@carleton.ca CES Associate Director, Achim Hurrelmann, is the program co-chair with Patrick Leblond of Ottawa University. CES Director, Joan DeBardeleben is the conference chair. Brigid Bedard is the ECSA-C Conference Coordinator. Maureen Mahoney, PhD candidate in the Department of History, is supporting the conference as Conference Assistant.

**Brigid Bedard** began work in late August 2011 as new Program Coordinator for Carleton University's EU Centre of Excellence. Brigid is a recent graduate of the Legal Studies Master's program at Carleton, where her specific area of concentration was administrative and environmental law. While a graduate student, Brigid worked as both a teaching assistant for first year law students, and part-time as an editorial administrator for the Canadian Journal of Law and Society.



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Six EURUS MA students are working for CES this year: **Karin Abma**; **David Frank Savoie**, **Anca Gurzu**, **Igga Kurzydlo**, **Victor Sauntry**, **Lauren Tognela**. In the summer 2011, Canada-Europe Dialogue Project benefited from support of **Olivia Howard**, EURUS undergraduate

student intern. In the fall term, CES is hosting a journalism intern **Rosanna Haroutoumian** and a Co-op student, **Sawssan Kari**. We are grateful to Carleton's School of Journalism and Communications and Carleton University respectively for the tremendously useful service they provide.

#### **Visiting Scholars**:

Between September and December 2011, CES is hosting **Dr. Martin Geiger** from Institute for Geography and Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies (IMIS) at the University of Osnabrück. His areas of expertise cover human cross-border mobility, international cooperation, EU integration, and the nexus of migration (politics) and development (politics); he is teaching two courses during his stay. He also gave public lectures at Carleton University, Dalhousie University, University of Toronto and York University.

#### **Events**

This fall, CES hosted several prominent European speakers. Below are a few highlights of the CES public lecture series:

December 1, 2011

#### The Baltic Way That Moved the World: 20 Years After

Chairs of the Foreign Affairs Committees of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia:

Mr. Marko Mihkelson (Estonia)

Mr. Romualds Razuks (Latvia)

Mr. Emanuelis Zingeris (Lithuania)

This event was supported by the Latvian Embassy

November 28, 2011

#### The Lessons of the Dayton Accord and the Future of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Dr. Valentin Inzko, High Representative of Austria in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

This event was supported by the Austrian Cultural Forum of the Embassy of Austria.

November 9, 2011

#### The Impact of EU Membership on Poland: Seven Years Later

Professor Artur Nowak-Far, Professor of European Law at the Warsaw School of Economics This event was supported by Embassy of the Republic of Poland

November 3, 2011

#### Who's Afraid of the European Radical Right?

Cas Mudde, Hampton and Esther Boswell Distinguished University Professor of Political Science at DePauw University

November 1, 2011

Moderated Roundtable Discussion: Managing Migration in the 21st Century: Policy Options for Canada and Europe. The roundtable was funded through the Canada-Europe Transatlantic Dialogue, the Centre for European Studies and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation.

#### **Panelists included:**

Martin Geiger, Visiting Scholar in residence, Centre for European Studies, Carleton University Sebastian Edathy, Member of the German Parliament, Member of the Committee for Legal Affairs, DEP Member of the Internal Affairs Committee

Mark Davidson, DG International and Intergovernmental Relations, Citizenship and Immigration Canada

James Bissett, Centre for Immigration Policy Reform

Victor Piché, Dept. of Demography, McGill University, Montreal

Oliver Schmidtke, Dept. of History and Political Science, University of Victoria

Adrian Harewood, CBC Television

October 26, 2011

#### Immigrant, Muslim, Citizen: A discussion on Muslim rights in Denmark

Professor Lene Kühle: Associate Professor in the Department for the Study of Religion Aarhus University (Denmark)

October 12, 2011

### Managing Migration in the EU's European Neighbourhood

Dr. Martin Geiger, Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies (IMIS), University of Osnabrück

October 5, 2011

#### **EU-Russian Cooperation in Border Regions**

Dr. Gleb Yarovoy, Associate Professor, Petrozavodsk State University, Petrozavodsk, Russia

September 22-23, 2011

#### The European Union, Canada, and the Arctic: International Policy on the Arctic

The Carleton University Centre for European Studies (European Union Centre of Excellence), in cooperation with the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, hosted a conference considering transatlantic relations in, and comparative policy towards, the Arctic, with particular attention to the role of Canada, the EU, and the EU's member states, as well as the interaction of these actors with other Arctic countries or players. Conference report and presentations can be accessed at <a href="https://www.carleton.ca/ces/events/eu-canada-arctic">www.carleton.ca/ces/events/eu-canada-arctic</a> We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the volunteers that made the Arctic Conference a success, Natalia Barankevych (School of Public Policy and Administration), Katherine Dunn (Journalism/Political Science), and Ian Thiesson (EURUS).

September 21, 2011

#### The Failure of Liberal Democracy in Eastern Europe: Explanation & EU Responses

Guest Lecture: Professor Gáspár Tamás, Research Professor in the Institute of Philosophy of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. The event is supported, in part, by a grant from the European Commission and in cooperation with the Canada-Hungary Educational Foundation

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