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## LAURÉATS DE L'ANNÉE 2004/2005

Le Collège félicite :

### • Meilleurs étudiants par département, Bruges

Clément Beaune, Politique et Administration  
Alejandro Manchado Martin, Economie  
Pascal Berghe et Anthony Dawes, Droit

### • Meilleurs étudiants, Natolin

Tim Van Anderlecht, Etudes européennes  
interdisciplinaires  
Milena Mihajlovic, Gouvernance européenne  
Johannes Dietrich, Europe centrale et orientale  
Tim Van Anderlecht, L'UE comme acteur  
international  
Constance Motte, Marché intérieur  
Juan Jorgé Piernas López, Cadre juridique de l'UE

### • Martin Madden Prize (meilleur(e) étudiant(e) britannique), Bruges

Catherine Blair

### • Dans le domaine pharmaceutique: EFPIA (Premier prix - meilleure thèse), Bruges

Lorraine Gallagher, Politique et Administration

### Johnson & Johnson (Deuxième prix - meilleure thèse), Bruges

Anthony Dawes, Droit

### • Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (pour la meilleure thèse dans le domaine de la comptabilité), Bruges

Andrea Beltramello, Politique et Administration

### • Rafael Sanz Memorial Prize (pour la meilleure thèse dans le département de droit), Bruges

Margarita Fernandez Alvarez-Labrador

Le Collège félicite également Valentine Mangez (Droit) et Tim Van Anderlecht (Etudes européennes interdisciplinaires) qui ont reçu la Bourse européenne Emile Bernheim cette année.

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## UN LONG FLEUVE TRANQUILLE ?

Les résultats des deux référendums en France et aux Pays-Bas ont stupéfait l'ensemble des acteurs et des citoyens européens. Ce signal politique de la part de deux Etats membres fondateurs a certes quelque peu ralenti le processus de ratification du traité constitutionnel mais aussi tempéré les certitudes des uns et des autres.

Le processus d'intégration européenne n'est pas un long fleuve tranquille. Loin s'en faut. Parfois rapide ou lent selon la topographie et les saisons, il charrie le même lot de questions et d'incertitudes. Quelle Europe voulons-nous ? Que faisons-nous ensemble ? Quel est notre projet politique ? Le projet de Traité constitutionnel vise à répondre à ces questions et à permettre aux citoyens européens d'aller ensemble de l'avant.

Depuis 1949, le Collège d'Europe enseigne, recherche et débat la chose européenne. A cette volonté d'atteindre l'excellence académique, s'ajoute une formidable expérience humaine et européenne fondée sur l'amitié et le respect de l'autre. Une nouvelle promotion d'étudiants s'apprête à partager un moment unique qui viendra enrichir l'expérience de milliers d'autres anciens étudiants qui, touchés par l'esprit du Collège, ont pris une part importante dans le rapprochement des peuples et des cultures.

Je m'associe donc à toute l'équipe du *College of Europe News* pour leur souhaiter une excellente rentrée académique.



Fabien Durand  
Promotion Ramon Llull  
Président de l'Association  
des Anciens.

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## BILL GATES DEBATES WITH COLLEGE STUDENTS

Bill Gates, Chairman and Chief Software Architect of Microsoft, met with 40 students from the Bruges and Natolin campuses on 1 February 2005 in the presence of Jean-Luc Dehaene, President of the Administrative Council of the College of Europe to discuss their prospects in the future Europe and Microsoft's vision of the European market.



*Bjorn Kunoy asks a question to Bill Gates.*

The Rector of the College of Europe, Paul Demaret, introduced the software entrepreneur and philanthropist who set out to share his visions about the revolutionary impact of information and new communication technologies in the next 5- 10 years. Mr Gates underlined the fact that we are only witnessing the beginning of these changes. He particularly insisted on the ways increased interconnectivity and ever decreasing costs of computational power will change the lives of people and businesses, stressing the need for cooperation between Europe and the US.

The meeting was organised by Jean-Yves Art from Microsoft Europe, who also teaches at the College in Bruges. He led a debate which confronted Mr Gates with questions students had prepared on a wide range of topics. The discussion not only touched upon technological and legal questions but also allowed the founder of the world's largest private charity to stress his conviction that development means enabling people to join the global information society.

*Sven Röben  
Academic Assistant  
John Locke Promotion*

## VISIONS OF EUROPE: WHERE ARE WE GOING?

On 25 April, the College of Europe, Bruges campus, hosted the first conference of the "Visions of Europe" series. The project aims at enhancing a deeper reflection and a confrontation on some increasingly important European questions, especially in the light of the troublesome context of the ratification of the Constitutional Treaty.

Jan Peter Balkenende, Head of the Dutch Government – a partner in the project – opened the conference with a speech devoted to the future of European development.



*Jan-Peter Balkenende, Prime Minister of the Netherlands with Dutch students of the Montesquieu promotion.*

In the first panel discussion several European academic experts debated the topic: *Where and what are the frontiers of Europe?*

The event was introduced by Rector Paul Demaret and chaired by Prof. R. Picht and Prof. B. Geremek. Among the panellists were Prof. K. Nicolaidis, new chairwoman of the Visions of Europe project, Prof. J. Rupnik, Prof. P. van Ham and Prof. H. August Winkler. Future conferences will tackle the following questions:

- *What place and role for religion in a secularised Europe?*
- *Europe: land of mestization?*
- *Economy and Society: a European Dilemma?*
- *Which European public space?*
- *Building a European Memory?*
- *Power, institutions and democracy*

## REGARDS CROISÉS

On the eve of the first anniversary of the recent enlargement of the European Union, the *Regards Croisés* project was launched. The partnership involves, on the one hand, the cultural TV-channel ARTE through its European website, and, on the other hand, the College of Europe with its two campuses in Bruges and Natolin (Warsaw).

The objective of the project is to explore regularly the main intellectual reviews and weeklies in EU member states and candidate countries, concentrating on the way in which selected key topics are perceived by intellectuals in order to stimulate trans-national debate. In other words, *Regards Croisés* aims to contribute to the development of a European Public Space by creating a specific tool for promoting a common and multilingual reflection on important European challenges.

The first issue of the new *rubrique* focused on Trans-Atlantic Relations. With the important help of members of the academic staff and of three students of the Montesquieu promotion, the first number has given an insight into the intellectual debate on the future of EU-US relations from the perspectives of France, Germany, Italy, UK, Poland and Romania. More details on the [arte-tv.com](http://arte-tv.com) website.

*Isabella Torta  
Research Assistant  
Simon Stevin Promotion*



## FRONTIERS OF THE INTERNAL MARKET

The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales organised a joint seminar with the College of Europe, which focused on recent developments in the Internal Market to the extent that they affected financial reporting and the accountancy profession. P. Kermodé, Head of Unit in DG Taxation and Customs Union, discussed the current developments in the field of taxation in the EU, and the role played by the European Court of Justice. A. Carey, Partner at RSM Robson Rhodes, presented recent trends in financial reporting, and gave reasons why it had become such a political issue recently. A discussion on whether politics should impact on accounting standards followed. Finally, H. Olivier, Secretary-General of the European Federation of Accountants, talked about the internal market for professional services, discussing the difficulties related to integration.



A. Carey, M. Manuzi and H. Olivier presenting at the third annual seminar sponsored by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales in March.

In addition to sponsoring a seminar on an accounting topic each year, the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales also sponsors a prize for the best thesis written on a topic in the financial field.

## CONFÉRENCE DE LA SPÉCIALISATION 'DROIT EUROPÉEN ET ANALYSE ECONOMIQUE'

Le 22 juin 2005 le premier "ELEA symposium" a eu lieu au Collège d'Europe.

Le symposium a marqué la fin de la première année du programme "European Law and Economic Analysis" (Droit Européen et Analyse Economique) et a porté sur trois thèmes d'actualité. M. Joseph Dunne du Parlement européen a traité des principes de reconnaissance mutuelle et du pays d'origine dans le contexte de la proposition de directive sur la libéralisation des services (la directive 'Bolkestein'), tandis que M. Alexandre de Streeck a examiné la question de 'la protection judiciaire en matière d'anti-trust: le cas des télécommunications et pertinence pour d'autres industries'. Mme Béatrice Dumont a présenté un *paper* concernant le rapport entre innovation et protection de la concurrence, en faisant spécifiquement référence à la discussion relative à la brevetabilité des logiciels.

Un débat très animé a suivi, les étudiants ELEA intervenant sur chacun des thèmes traités et les profs. Jacques Pelkmans et Inge Govaere (directeurs du programme ELEA) et M. Peter Rodford de la Commission européenne jouant le rôle de modérateur.

*Filomena Chirico*  
Assistante académique

## PARTICIPATION DU COLLÈGE D'EUROPE AU 'EUROPEAN LAW MOOT COURT' (ELMC)

Le ELMC est un concours de plaidoirie destiné à diffuser le droit européen dans le monde universitaire. Par équipes de quatre, les étudiants mettent à l'épreuve leurs connaissances en droit communautaire, leur rigueur d'analyse juridique, leur créativité et esprit d'équipe. Cette année, le Collège était représenté par trois équipes dont deux de Natolin. Suite à la publication d'un cas pratique fictif, 92 équipes ont présenté leurs conclusions écrites – le concours suit un renvoi préjudiciel fictif – dont 48 se sont qualifiées pour participer à des "Finales Régionales" : l'équipe de Bruges (G. Gilmore, O. Lynskey, J. Mota et E. Razzano) et une des équipes de Natolin (L. Mastrosimone, A. Mincu, M. Raoui et A. Zielinska) à Madrid et la deuxième équipe de Natolin à Istanbul (J. Bousin, C. Costa, J. Piernas Lopez et S. Planzer).

À Madrid, les équipes du Collège, composées d'un demandeur, un défendeur, un avocat général, assistés par un conseiller, se sont révélées très performantes... jusqu'au point de se retrouver ensemble en finale : Kramer v. Kramer, comme disaient les juges. Bruges, première équipe, et Mahieddine Raoui, en tant que premier avocat général à Madrid, se présentaient à la Grande Finale à la Cour de Justice pour laquelle quatre équipes étaient sélectionnées. Les Brugeois devaient donc plaider face aux juges de la Cour et du Tribunal, Mahieddine Raoui, siégeant à côté des juges...

Mahieddine a su prouver qu'il était le meilleur avocat général. Bruges a perdu, hélas, face à la Harvard Law School. Quoi qu'il en soit, l'expérience aura été inoubliable pour tous...

*Pablo Ibáñez Colomo et Martina Spornbauer*  
Promotion John Locke



Commissioner Franco Frattini spoke to College students in March.



## THE COLLEGE OF EUROPE IN ASIA...

In the framework of the EU's Asia-Link Programme and in partnership with the University of Tübingen (Germany) and the Chulalongkorn University (Bangkok, Thailand), the Development Office of the College of Europe is implementing a core curriculum in European Integration Studies at the School for Social Sciences of the Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) in Penang (Malaysia). This three-year project started in July 2004 and aims at creating in Malaysia a sound and profound expertise of European policies, institutions and developments as well as a better awareness of the EU's relations with Asia, e.g. Malaysia.



*Launch of the European Integration Studies Programme at the Universiti Sains Malaysia.*

Throughout the project, several curriculum building activities are being conducted: the review of existing curricula, conferences, pilot-courses, workshops organised in Bruges or at USM and overseas fact-finding missions in the partner institutions. Simultaneously, course materials are being developed by our Malaysian partners, in close cooperation with their counterparts from the College, Tübingen and Bangkok. As part of the re-training activities provided by the project, seven Malaysian scholars participated in the *12th Intensive Seminar on the EU* organised by the Development Office of the College in July on the Bruges campus. Presently, a first year pilot course has started and is conducted at USM in Penang. Students of the programme will be awarded a Master of International and Diplomacy Studies (European Studies) degree on the successful completion of requirements.

The College is pleased to welcome Prof. Sieglinde Gstöhl (LIE), who joins the **Department of Political and Administrative Studies** as **lecturer**. Prof. Gstöhl was previously an Assistant Professor of International Relations at the Institute of Social Sciences at Humboldt University Berlin (1999-2005) and received her Ph.D. in political science at the Graduate Institute of International Studies (IUHEI) in Geneva. Aside from her academic experience, she has worked at EFTA and as part of a national referendum campaign on the EEA. Prof. Gstöhl's research interests include theories of integration and of international relations, international political economy, EU external relations, global governance and small states. This academic year Prof. Gstöhl will be organising the Department's first introductory course and methodology lectures for politics students, as well as an optional course and research seminar in the spring focusing on the EU's foreign economic affairs.

## LES LANGUES : UN AUTRE DÉFI DE L'ÉLARGISSEMENT

Pour le premier anniversaire de la réunification de l'Europe, le Collège et la Chaire de Civilisation européenne ont choisi de répondre à l'un des défis cachés de l'élargissement : le problème des langues, dont le nombre croissant rend la gestion de la diversité culturelle plus complexe que jamais. Certes, la civilisation européenne est riche de ses multiples langues et cultures, mais les incompatibilités entre l'efficacité politique et administrative et la construction d'un espace citoyen plurilingue rendent cette question très délicate et très à propos. La langue est au croisement des identités individuelles et du sentiment d'appartenance collective, et il est difficile de séparer la question des langues de celle de la place des nations.

Organisée le 8 mai, en coopération avec des partenaires polonais, français, suisse, autrichien, et anglais, la conférence a rassemblé quinze grands spécialistes européens sur ces questions "explosives" autour de trois discussions, explorant la nature de la diversité linguistique, questionnant le spectre de l'uniformisation et comparant les politiques linguistiques nationales et européennes. Le discours d'ouverture, prononcé par Claude Hagège du Collège de France, fut l'occasion d'un plaidoyer pour la revitalisation de langues pivots alternatives à l'anglais, comme le français, l'allemand, l'espagnol ou le polonais. Comme chaque année, chaque thème de discussion était introduit par un étudiant du Collège, porte-parole d'une réflexion spécifique sur les thèmes abordés.

Contributions bientôt disponibles sur le site de la Chaire ([www.chair.coleurop.pl](http://www.chair.coleurop.pl)).

*Edouard Gaudot*  
Coördinateur de la Chaire de Civilisation Européenne

## PUBLICATION: 30 YEARS OF LEGAL STUDIES AT THE COLLEGE OF EUROPE

The College community celebrated the release of the new publication in the College of Europe Studies series, "30 Years of European Legal Studies at the College of Europe: Liber Professorum 1973-74 – 2003-04". A reception in Bruges, attended by professors, alumni, students and staff, celebrated the release of this work, which includes contributions from thirty-two former and current professors. The authors analyse both the evolution of European law over the years and more specific questions. The editors of the work are Rector Paul Demaret, Prof. Inge Govaere, Director of the European Legal Studies Department, and Prof. Dominik Hanf, Lecturer in the European Legal Studies Department.

*30 Years of European Legal Studies at the College of Europe / 30 ans d'études juridiques européennes au Collège d'Europe: Liber Professorum 1973/4 – 2003/4.* Paul Demaret, Inge Govaere, Dominik Hanf. Brussels: P.I.E., Peter Lang, 2005.





## VOYAGE D'ÉTUDES DE LA FILIÈRE EUROPE CENTRALE ET ORIENTALE (PECO)

L'idée d'un voyage permettant de faire vivre les connaissances acquises dans la filière PECO, s'est imposée naturellement afin de comprendre et de s'imprégner physiquement d'une réalité qui est le voisinage proche de l'Union Européenne élargie.



Natolin students on the study trip in Kaliningrad.

Cette semaine de voyage et d'études a été exceptionnelle. Partis au lever du jour, le 17 avril, nous étions impatients de découvrir ce que Kaliningrad avait à nous offrir. Une conférence préparatoire, avec la participation d'Alexei Ignatyev (Directeur de Programmes Régionaux et de Coopération Transfrontalier – East-West Institute, Kaliningrad) et Bartosz Cichocki (Centre for Eastern Studies, Varsovie) avait déjà aiguisé notre curiosité.

Cependant, la mise en image soudaine rendait ces connaissances beaucoup plus palpables. Nous nous sommes retrouvés amenés à lire entre les lignes des discours et des faits. Ainsi, entre la visite du fer de lance de l'industrie automobile de Kaliningrad "Avtotor" dont le directeur, et ancien militaire, clame avec fierté que "les gens font la queue pour recevoir mes automobiles", et la rencontre avec les représentants du gouvernement sur le thème du futur de Kaliningrad, entre Moscou et l'UE (avec Alexander Songal, Chef d'unité pour la coopération internationale et interrégionale au Parlement et Igor Krasnansky, Chef de l'administration de la région de Kaliningrad), nous ne cessons de nous interroger sur l'avenir de cet environnement peint de gris et peuplé de bâtiments nostalgiquement communistes.

Mais le voyage nous réservait encore des surprises: Baltijsk, ville qui s'efforce désespérément de transformer sa base militaire ; Yantar, mine d'ambre et désastre écologique, Svetlogorsk où nous avons rencontré les représentants de la société civile.

Ensuite Nida, Klaipeda et Vilnius, où nous avons été accueillis par le Ministère des Affaires Etrangères et de l'Economie, et où nous avons pu rencontrer des ONG travaillant en Biélorussie. Nous repartions alors vers Varsovie, satisfaits, les yeux rassasiés d'images et les pensées tournées vers cette petite Russie que nous allions retrouver avec la visite d'étudiants de l'Université de Kaliningrad à Natolin. On peut dire que la coopération a été vite établie !

Si les quatre autres filières sont parties comme d'habitude à Bruxelles, nous n'aurions changé de destination pour rien au monde.

*Les étudiants de la filière*

On 13 July the first lecture under the heading "Future European Challenges- a lecture series", jointly organised by the **Toyota Chair of Industry and Sustainability** of the College and EPC, took place with E. von Weizsäcker, chairman of the Environmental Committee at the German Bundestag, on his report to the club of Rome: "Limits to Privatisation". The panelists were Nick Clegg, MP in the UK, and Tony Long, WWF. The next public lecture will take place 7 December 2005 on Emissions Trading and the Kyoto Process.

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### ADVANCED COMMUNITY LAW TRAINING (ACLT) – A GOOD START

On 28 May the participants of the ACLT programme successfully rounded off the first edition of this five-month course. The programme is specifically geared to a hand-picked number of motivated EU Affairs professionals, working in law firms, companies, professional associations and administrations. Their very positive feedback has prompted the College to develop future editions.

Organised in Brussels as a series of Saturday morning sessions, the programme covers the most recent developments in key domains of European Competition Law, the Internal Market, and the institutional framework of the EU. The participants are guided through technical subjects, case studies, and readily applicable methods. More information can be found at [www.coleurop.be/training](http://www.coleurop.be/training).

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### 9 MAI : CONCERT EUROPÉEN

L'Ensemble Eroica, sous la direction de Rik Ghesquière s'est produit au Théâtre Royal de Bruges, à l'occasion de la Journée de l'Europe. Cet 11ème Concert européen, organisé par le Comité local pour le Collège d'Europe (Bruges), fut un succès renouvelé grâce au programme varié des musiciens, au Chœur de la Promotion Montesquieu qui - pendant la pause - a professionnellement animé le public et finalement grâce aux sponsors qui ont rendu possible cet événement de grande importance pour le rayonnement du Collège d'Europe dans la ville de Bruges. Les revenus du Concert sont intégralement versés au "Students Fund" du Collège qui soutient financièrement les étudiants dans le besoin pendant l'année académique.

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## EU INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND DIPLOMACY STUDIES TO BE LAUNCHED IN 2006/2007

A new study programme will be inaugurated in the academic year 2006/07 with successful participants obtaining a Master of Arts in EU International Relations and Diplomacy. It will provide students with specific knowledge of the European Union as an actor in the international environment as well as skills in international negotiations and diplomacy. Suitable applicants would primarily come from an academic background in political science, European studies, law, economics and history and could be seconded from international organisations and national foreign services.

As the EU has become an important global actor and its initiatives in the field of external relations are growing in number and in importance, there is also a growing interest among non-EU countries for (further) developing relations with the Union. This programme will thus be of particular interest to students from non-EU countries.

The programme will be based in Bruges, but will include an intensive five-week term in Natolin (Warsaw). For further information, please see [www.coleurop.be](http://www.coleurop.be).

## EU NEGOTIATIONS IN PRACTICE

Last April, twenty officials from 10 different countries spent a week in Bruges taking part in the 2nd edition of the "EU Negotiations in Practice" training course. The programme focuses on negotiation techniques and procedures at EU level.

The lecturing staff includes former chief negotiators, officials from the European institutions, members of national delegations to the EC, academics and consultants.

In view of the success of the previous editions, the programme will be organised for a third time in October 2005. Two sessions are planned each year.



Louis Michel, European Commissioner, spoke to students in Bruges in March on his experiences with Development and Humanitarian Aid.

## COLLEGE OF EUROPE: STAFF ON THE MOVE

*The College is pleased to welcome:*

### Professors (Bruges)

Carlos Closa (Pol.), Sieglinde Gstöhl (Pol.), Zaki Laïdi (EGI), John McCormick (Pol.), Kalypso Nikolaïdis (EGI), Jamie Shea (Pol.), Edmund Wnuk-Lipinski (EGI)

### Professors (Natolin)

Marie-Janine Calic, Jacqueline Coolidge, Aleš Debeljak, Maciej Szpunar, Lieven Tack, Stefan Troebst

### Assistants (Bruges)

Teymour Abdel Aziz (Eco.), Mathieu Briens (EGI), Judith Bürger (Pol.), Francisco Costa Cabral (Law), Thien Uyen Do (Law), Francesca Doria (EGI), Katrin Fuhrmann (Eco.), Orla Lynskey (Law), Andrea Maier (Pol.), Daniele Marchesi (Pol.), Alessandro Marra (ELEA), Katrin Müller-Van Issem (Law), Jérémie Pélerin (Pol.), Ruth Seitz (Pol.), Kiril Strahilov (Eco.)

### Assistants (Natolin)

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### Development Office

Rosaria Sanchez, Saskia Willems (replacing Annelies Deckmyn)

### Housekeeping

Annick Vervaecke (Bruges)

*The College says farewell and thank you to:*

### Assistants (Bruges)

Estelle Bacconnier (Pol.), Ilinca Balan (EGI), Tristan Baumé (Law), Katia Berti (Eco.), Michele Casagrande (Pol.), Filomena Chirico (ELEA), Delphine DeMey (Law), Edouard Dirrig (Law), Michael Latsch (Eco.), Jennifer MacNaughtan (Pol.), Dimitrios Magos (Eco.), Tatiana Marquez (Pol.), Jan Rovny (Pol.), Isabella Torta (EGI)

### Assistants (Natolin)

Wawrzyniec Perschke, Martina Spornbauer

### Administration

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Wouter De Vriendt, Mary Farrell

### Congratulations!

Hans Bastiaenssens - son Indy, Annelies Deckmyn - daughter Olivia, Ingrid De Grieve - son Elía, Sabine Dekeyser - son Floris, Dominik Hanf - son Maximilian, Jakub Szyber - son Aleksander, Koen Vanbelle - daughter Inne



## NEWS OF THE COLLEGE CAREERS SERVICE

*The Careers Service of the College of Europe is at your service!*

As well as new activities that we have introduced this year, including networking evenings on both campuses, a new concept for the Career Days, and training for the institutional concours, new strategies were put in place to increase the recognition of the College of Europe diploma.

A new annual magazine, "Vocations européennes", has been published in conjunction with the Alumni Association, which focuses on employment at the European level. In addition, the Careers Service participated in several employment fairs and conferences and published an article on employment in the European Voice.

The Careers Service is at the service of the entire College community, but also primarily continues to develop thanks to that community.

Each year we ask alumni and recruiters to meet with students in the framework of information workshops on the European job market (lobbying, networking, internships in the institutions, the different activity sectors...). Job offers that are sent through the network are also due to the work and dedication of many alumni.



*Networking Evening, Natolin campus.*

Below you will find the planned activities of the Careers Service. Should you be interested in participating, please send an e-mail to [adraime@coleurop.be](mailto:adraime@coleurop.be). We have also produced a brochure detailing the activities of the Careers Service. A copy can be requested via the above e-mail address.

### *Activities for the 2005/2006 academic year*

February 2006: Networking Evening on both campuses (informal meetings between alumni and students to share professional experiences and advice)

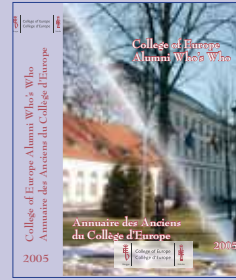
March - April 2006: Career events (recruitment interviews with the students)

Throughout the academic year: Workshops presenting various activity sectors (consultancies, banks, institutions, lobbying firms...) or necessary skills for the European employment market (lobbying, networking...).

We are counting on your participation!

Anne Draime  
Careers Officer  
College of Europe

## L'ÉDITION 2005 DU WHO'S WHO A ÉTÉ PUBLIÉE !



Cet annuaire de plus de 7000 adresses a été mis à jour cette année !

Le Who's Who vous permet de rester en contact avec vos amis de promotion, de rencontrer au fil de vos voyages de nouveaux Anciens mais il est également un outil indispensable de votre vie professionnelle.

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WHO'S WHO

## HAVE YOU MOVED OR CHANGED JOBS?

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## NEWS FROM THE HUNGARIAN REGIONAL GROUP

George Schöpflin MEP (Promotion August Vermeulen, 1962/63) attended an informal discussion with alumni of the College of Europe in Budapest. Péter Balázs, former member of the European Commission, was also present at the meeting.

Mr Schöpflin gave insights into the decision-making architecture of the enlarged European Union and the challenges Europe is currently facing. He particularly mentioned the difficulties the EU is experiencing with the Turkish application to the EU. However, according to Mr Schöpflin, Europe should not in principal close its doors when a new pro-European political direction is rising, as has been the case in the Ukraine recently. Moreover, when analysing the ongoing negotiations with Romania, Mr Schöpflin highlighted the rôle Hungary could play in the accession negotiations with Romania, due to the strong historical and cultural relations with its Eastern neighbour. He stressed the importance of ensuring minority rights for those ca. 1,6 million Hungarians who live on Romanian territory today.

The Hungarian MEP then proceeded to discuss the ratification process of the European Constitution. He was pleased with the fact that Hungary was the second Member State to ratify it, but regretted that there was no public discussion about this issue. According to him, this might have negative consequences





on the acceptance of European integration among Hungarians in the long run.

Mr Schöpflin also insisted on better defending certain Hungarian interests at the European level. The examples he gave were our famous Pálinka, a special spirit, our sweet Tokaji wine, as well as the unique Hungarian honey.

The group was pleased to welcome Mr Péter Balázs, former member of the European Commission, to our discussion. We were also pleased that Csaba Skultéty, former editor at Radio Free Europe, and alumnus from the first Promotion of the College in 1950/51, joined us for the discussion.

*Bálint Bassola  
 John Locke Promotion*

*For those who would like to receive personal invitations to the events of the Hungarian Alumni Association please write to [Andrea.Erdei@om.hu](mailto:Andrea.Erdei@om.hu).*

To see if there is a regional group in your area or to become involved in its activities, see [www.coleurop-alumni.org](http://www.coleurop-alumni.org).

## 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL RAFAEL SANZ MEMORIAL PRIZE AWARDED



Rafael Sanz

At the initiative of family and friends, an academic prize has been established at the College to honour the memory of Rafael Sanz (Alexis de Tocqueville Promotion, 1996/1997) who died in Sicily in 2002. Prior to coming to the College, Rafael studied law at the Universities of Salamanca, Leuven and Nancy. In 1998, Rafael began working at the law firm of Garrigues Abogados in the competition law department and became the head of the department in 2000. Following his death, his family and friends decided to honour him by establishing a prize to celebrate not only his dedication and success as a lawyer, but also his loyalty and generosity to his family and friends. The prize is awarded each year to the student who has written the best law thesis.

Margarita Fernández Alvarez-Labrador was the recipient of this year's Rafael Sanz Memorial Prize for writing the best thesis in the Law Department.



Marie-Hélène  
 Weber

Marie-Hélène Weber (promotion Joseph Bech, 1982/1983) a été décorée de l'Ordre du Mérite le 23 avril dernier. Cette reconnaissance officielle du Ministère du Commerce Extérieur français, est "un encouragement à poursuivre ma mission avec détermination et efficacité".

## BAR NIGHTS AT THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association organised two bar nights this Spring for all alumni in the Brussels area. The first was held on 12 May and the second on 9 June. These informal gatherings at the Alumni Association give alumni in and around Brussels a chance to get together, see old friends, while also meeting other alumni. The Alumni Association will continue to hold bar nights on a bi-monthly basis and hopes to welcome other alumni from Brussels during future events. The next Bar Night will be held at the Alumni Association in November. If you are in Brussels and have not received the e-mail invitation, please update your contact information on the website of the Alumni Association at: [www.coleurop-alumni.org](http://www.coleurop-alumni.org). We hope to see you in November!

NEWS

## LE DÎNER DES PROMOTIONS ANNIVERSAIRES

Le dîner des promotions anniversaires s'est déroulé cette année dans un cadre prestigieux, "Het Concertgebouw" à Bruges.

Il réunissait des Anciens qui avaient quitté le Collège depuis 10 ans (Promotion Ramon Llull), 20 ans (Promotion Madame de Staël), 30 ans (Promotion Aristide Briand), 40 ans (Promotion Robert Schuman) et 50 ans (Promotion Alcide de Gasperi).

Plus de 150 Anciens se sont donc retrouvés autour d'un excellent dîner qui s'est poursuivi par une soirée dansante.

Comme chaque année, la réussite de cet événement est en grande partie due à la cohésion qui existe dans chaque promotion.

Nous invitons les Anciens qui fêteront l'année prochaine leur anniversaire de promotion (Promotions Walter Hallstein, Christophe Colomb, Czartoryski, Thomas More, Virgile) à se mobiliser et à nous faire parvenir leur changement d'adresse.



Annual Alumni – College Barbecue.



## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

The general meeting of the Alumni Association was held on Sunday, 26 June, in Bruges.

At the meeting the financial and moral reports for 2004/2005 were presented and approved.

The Administrative Council especially thanked two members who are stepping down from the Council for their support of Alumni Association activities: Paul Vigneron (Madame de Staël) and Cyrille Hugon (Bertha von Suttner).

The members of the 2005/2006 Administrative Council are: Fabien Durand (Ramon Llull) Président, François Becquart (Denis de Rougemont), Marie-Hélène Cussac (John Locke), Jean-Pierre Casey (Simon Stévin), Christopher Burghardt (Alexis de Tocqueville), Irene Janssen (Montesquieu), Oliver Jung (Montesquieu), Aloys Rigaut (Simon Stévin), Aude Rousselot (John Locke), Manuel Szapiro (Leonardo da Vinci), Lieven Tack (Bertha von Suttner), Daria Taglioni (Leonardo Da Vinci), Mirko Widenhorn (John Locke).

Should you have suggestions for activities or wish to become involved with the work of the Alumni Association, please contact [alumni@coleurop.be](mailto:alumni@coleurop.be).

### *Hans Porschlegel 1928 – 2005*

His year at the College of Europe (1954/1955) was a life-changing experience for Hans Porschlegel. Earlier university activities had given him a strong interest in overcoming the horrific consequences of war in Germany and in Europe. Bruges opened his mind to European thinking and the need for building a unified Europe.

He brought a European and international perspective to an early post as Head of a residential College of the German Trade Union Federation DGB. He undertook many missions abroad for the OEEC, the International Metalworkers Federation and International Labour Organisation and helped establish a very successful National Productivity Board in Singapore, advising on European experience.

The high point of his career was fifteen years as Teacher and as Principal of the Sozialakademie Dortmund, a German equivalent of Ruskin College Oxford (for students who do not attend university at the normal age), set up by the British occupying power.

He will be greatly missed, particularly by the Gasperiens as they celebrate the 50th anniversary of their year in Bruges.

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## PRIX DE L'ANCIEN 2005

### *Le Prix*

La 3<sup>ème</sup> édition du Prix de l'Ancien est en cours. Vous avez été nombreux à nous envoyer vos nominations et nous tenons à vous remercier de votre soutien.

Cette initiative créée par l'Association des Anciens du Collège d'Europe avec le soutien du Collège d'Europe et en collaboration avec Norsk Hydro ASA vise à récompenser une Ancienne / un Ancien qui a contribué de manière significative dans sa vie personnelle ou professionnelle à la promotion des valeurs du Collège d'Europe. Ces valeurs sont : promotion de l'idéal européen, promotion de l'excellence en tout domaine, générosité, tolérance et respect de la diversité, amitié, solidarité entre les peuples et ouverture d'esprit.

### *Jury*

Une fois encore nous avons l'honneur de compter parmi nos membres du jury des personnalités de renommée mondiale. Notre comité est constitué cette année de :

M. Pat Cox, M. John Hume, M. Lionel Jospin, M. Javier Solana, M. Habib Thiam, Mme Simone Veil ainsi que M. Paul Demaret, Recteur du Collège d'Europe, et M. Eivind Reiten, Président et CEO de Norsk Hydro.

### *Les finalistes*

En date du 17 juin les membres du Conseil d'Administration de l'Association des Anciens et M. Bjørn Tretvoll, Senior Vice-President EU Affairs, Norsk Hydro ASA, ont sélectionné les 3 finalistes 2005 :

M. Iwo Byczewski  
M. Alan Forrest  
Mme Nuala Mole

Le gagnant se verra décerner la statue et le diplôme du Prix de l'Ancien. Les 3 finalistes seront invités par Norsk Hydro à assister à la cérémonie de remise du Prix de l'Ancien à Oslo, ainsi qu'à la remise du Prix Nobel de la Paix le 10 décembre et au concert le lendemain.

Vous trouverez de plus amples informations sur le déroulement du Prix sur notre site ou dans notre prochaine édition.



*Aristide Briand Promotion during their anniversary weekend*



## Naissances

Iñigo Ariztimuño né le 18 janvier 2004, fils de Isabel López-Garde (promotion Spinelli, 1987/1988) et Iñaki Ariztimuño.

Willem Kristian Ashmore né le 13 mai 2005, fils de Louise Tinkler (promotion Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, 1991/1992) et de Simon Ashmore.

Vittorio Bossiner né le 17 octobre 2004, fils de Caroline Vermeulen (promotion Walter Hallstein, 1995/1996) et de Giuseppe Bossiner.

Angélique Brand née le 23 juin 2005, fille de Stéphanie Guihard Brand (promotion Alexis de Tocqueville, 1996/1997) et Charl Brand.

William Cavanagh né le 5 février 2005, fils de Marie Dancourt-Cavanagh (promotion Ramon Llull, 1994/1995) et Jack Cavanagh.

Lucia, Clara et Stella Scappucci Cescon sont nées le 23 juin 2004, filles de Gioia Scapucci (promotion Ramon Llull, 1994/1995) et de Florian Cescon (promotion Leonardo da Vinci, 1998/1999).

Maud et Josephine Corstens sont nées le 22 et 23 juin 2005, filles de Jesca Bender (promotion Hendrik Brugmans, 1997/1998) et de Geert Corstens (promotion Alexis de Tocqueville, 1996/1997).

Inês Deisenhofer née le 12 décembre 2004, fille de Sofia Alves (promotion Ramon Llull, 1994/1995) et de Thomas Deisenhofer (promotion Walter Hallstein, 1995/1996).

Suzanne Durand née le 24 janvier 2005, fille de Mieke Lefevere et de Fabien Durand (promotion Ramon Llull, 1994/1995).

Izabella Maria Faryaszewski née le 30 décembre 2004, fille de Alexandra Freyman Faryaszewski (tous deux de la promotion Aristote, 2000/2001) et de Jan Faryaszewski.

Victor Constantin Fixson né le 29 juin 2005, fils de Martina Fixson, née Werner, et Oliver Fixson (promotion Denis de Rougemont, 1989/1990).

Chiara Giovanna Goldig née le 18 juillet 2004, fille de Francesca Astengo (promotion Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, 1991/1992) et de Loren Goldig.

Natasha Anna Simone Janssens née le 9 novembre 2004, fille de Jeanne-Mey Sun (promotion Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, 1991/1992) et de Tom Janssens.

Tristan Pelzer né le 21 juillet 2004, fils de Cécile Tassin-Pelzer (promotion Stefan Zweig, 1993/1994) et de Christoph Pelzer.

Louise Pérignon Fabre née le 20 juillet 2005, fille d'Isabelle Pérignon (promotion Walter Hallstein, 1995/1996) et d'Olivier Fabre.

Eliska Thomann née le 2 décembre 2004, fille de Markéta Thomannova-Körnerova et de Pierre Thomann (tous deux de la promotion Stefan Zweig, 1993/1994).

Noémie Von Busch née le 13 avril 2005, fille de Claire Herrmann et de Andreas Von Busch (tous deux de la promotion Ramon Llull, 1994/1995).

## Mariages

Karin Booss (promotion Alexis de Tocqueville, 1996/1997) et Ronald Klabunn le 29 octobre 2004.

Marie Ange Gaiffe (promotion Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, 1991/1992) et Pierre Schellekens (promotion Walter Hallstein, 1995/1996), le 11 juin 2005.

Delphine Hebert et Andrés Garcia Bermudez (promotion Ramon Llull, 1994/1995), le 4 septembre 2004.

Ivanka Lakova (promotion Alexis de Tocqueville, 1996/1997) et Arnaud Pasquali, le 28 mai 2005.

Jessica Malezet (promotion Aristote, 2000/2001) et Christopher Larsson.

Gisela Ribeiro Santos et Jacek Walendowski (tous deux de la promotion Leonardo da Vinci, 1998/1999), le 21 mai 2005.

Iris Viconopoulou et Francesco Amodeo (tous deux de la promotion Alexis de Tocqueville, 1996/1997), le 2 juillet 2005.

## Décès

Nous avons le regret de vous annoncer le décès de :

Steve Degeneve (promotion Hans et Sophie Scholl, 1990/1991) est décédé le 12 janvier 2004.

Jacques Fraysse (promotion Aristide Briand, 1974/1975) est décédé.

Gabor Csorba (promotion Thomas More, 1965/1966) est décédé le 24 avril 2005.

Kathy Nevin (promotion Aristide Briand, 1974/1975) est décédée le 19 mai 2005.

Emiel Oversteyns (promotion Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz, 1961/1962) est décédé le 11 août 2002.



Chers Amis,

Au cours des derniers mois, la Fondation Européenne Madariaga (MEF), sous l'impulsion de son Président Javier Solana et avec le soutien des Anciens du Collège d'Europe, a affiné son programme d'activités afin de s'adapter aux nouveaux enjeux européens, tout en restant fidèle à la mission qu'elle s'est fixée. Les élargissements successifs de l'Union Européenne et les débats autour du Traité Constitutionnel, ainsi que l'adoption d'une politique européenne de voisinage, témoignent tous du rôle croissant de la société civile, véhicule des valeurs de justice et de solidarité qui nous unissent. La Fondation Madariaga, souhaitant apporter sa contribution à l'édification d'une Europe à l'écoute des citoyens, a décidé d'axer ses projets autour de trois priorités : la prévention des conflits, la santé et l'environnement, et la recherche.

Afin de mettre en œuvre ce programme, la Fondation développe des partenariats avec des représentants de la société civile, du secteur public et du monde des affaires. Sa position stratégique au sein du réseau des fondations européennes, confirmée par sa nomination récente au Conseil d'Administration du Centre Européen des Fondations, lui permet de mener efficacement

une action basée sur le partenariat et la coopération. L'impact des initiatives de la Fondation est démultipliée grâce au réseau du Collège d'Europe et des Anciens, et je souhaiterais saisir cette occasion pour remercier tout ceux qui, parmi vous, ont déjà témoigné un intérêt actif pour notre travail. Vos suggestions et vos remarques sont toujours les bienvenues.

Raymond Georis  
Secrétaire Général  
Promotion Dautry

**NEW FOCUS ON THE BARENTS REGION: MEF SIGNS PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT TO CREATE A BARENTS INSTITUTE**

Stretching over major parts of North West Russia and three Nordic countries, the Barents region bridges areas which for decades were heavily influenced by high cold war tensions, as well as deep social, economic and political cleavages.

In 1993, the Barents Euro-Arctic Region was established in order to meet the post-cold war challenges. Since then it has been a striking example of conflict prevention, regional cooperation and successful economic development.

Today however, the region is entering a new era with unprecedented industrial and ecological challenges that could also affect the security of this fragile area. The huge reserves of hydrocarbons in the Barents Sea, and its

strategic location for shipping have raised the interest of powerful states as well as international companies and given the region more importance for the EU, as stated in the Northern Dimension Action Plan 2004-2006.



The Barents Euro-Arctic Region

In this context, on 28 April 2005, the Madariaga European Foundation signed a partnership agreement with the Norwegian Barents Secretariat. Besides offering a framework for the development of joint projects in North West Russia, this cooperation agreement aims at setting up a Barents Institute to strengthen research on vital development issues in the region.

The Institute, to be established in Kirkenes (Norway) and launched later this autumn, will focus its research activities on resource management and regional development between Nordic countries and North West Russia.

Marie-Ange Gaiffe  
Mozart Promotion

**POLLUTION MARITIME : VERS UNE RESPONSABILITÉ PÉNALE EUROPÉENNE**

Depuis quelques années se développe au sein de l'Union Européenne une réelle prise de conscience de la nécessité de mettre en œuvre des actions de répression pénale concertées dans le domaine de l'environnement. Le naufrage du Prestige de novembre 2002 a mis en évidence l'urgence d'une coopération judiciaire entre les Etats membres afin de lutter plus efficacement contre la pollution maritime. La Commission a présenté une proposition de Directive visant à transposer en droit communautaire les règles internationales de lutte contre la pollution par les navires, tandis qu'une décision-cadre jetant les bases de la coopération juridique semble sur le point de déboucher après deux ans de discussion.

Le projet FISH (Flight against SHip-Source pollution), mis en œuvre par la Fondation Madariaga avec le soutien de la Commission européenne, vise à dresser un état des lieux sur la réglementation applicable, en tenant compte des nouvelles perspectives offertes par l'évolution récente de la réglementation européenne avec la reconnaissance du concept de "crime environnemental". Les 3 et 4 mai, une conférence s'est tenue à la Fondation Madariaga, réunissant des spécialistes du droit pénal appliqué à la lutte contre la pollution maritime. Le programme de la conférence et les interventions sont disponibles sur le site [www.madariaga.org](http://www.madariaga.org).



MEF Staff 2005



## PARTNERS IN PREVENTION: MOVING FROM THEORY TO PRACTICE

*"A culture of prevention requires the imagination to see ahead to the consequences of our inaction. And it demands the political will and courage to take preventive action where this is costly, dangerous or unpopular and where the benefits may never be seen." Javier Solana, January 2004*



Anna Lindh, late  
Swedish Foreign  
Minister

Development and conflict prevention are necessary conditions of each other, as the Millennium Summit in September will highlight. But addressing this issue requires the coordination of international institutions, NGOs and civil society organisations.

To address this issue, and within the framework of MEF's Anna Lindh Programme on Conflict Prevention, a two-day conference entitled *Partners in Prevention: Moving From Theory to Practice*, took place on 23 - 24 March, at the Centre Borschette in Brussels. Jointly organised by the Luxembourg Presidency of the EU, the European Peacebuilding Liaison Office, the Folke Bernadotte Academy of Sweden and the MEF, the conference focused on the role of NGOs and civil society in crisis management and prevention. Proposals included, but were not limited to:

- A regular meeting between the EU presidency and civil society organisations addressing civilian crisis management and conflict prevention
- The involvement of NGOs in every stage of the prevention process
- The public discussion of policy contributions from civil society organisations

## TOWARD AN INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR PREVENTION OF GENOCIDE



David Hamburg

*On 8 March, David Hamburg\* gave a speech at the Madariaga Foundation to present his proposal for the creation of a Centre for the Prevention of Genocide. Below is a summary of his text.*

Despite repeated vows of "never again," genocides have occurred throughout the past century. We argue that prevention of genocide is feasible and we recommend ways to achieve this vital aim.

Recent studies of genocide have implications for prevention. Genocides are common in times of war, religious fervour, social upheaval, or revolution, and typically offer clear warning signals years before they occur.

Every modern case of genocide began with a mass-media propaganda campaign directed by political leaders who manipulated existing prejudices to kindle hatred, but did not act alone. They were supported by the machinery of the state, their political party, the police, paramilitary, and military forces, and professionals such as lawyers, teachers, doctors, and engineers. The time required to create the conditions for genocide can also be used for its prevention.

An International Centre for the Prevention of Genocide would have the capacity for both operational and structural means of prevention – especially robust preventive diplomacy, linked to fostering democratic socioeconomic development.

It would perform a number of activities:

1. Maintain a permanent staff equipped with broad multidisciplinary knowledge drawn from both study and practice of conflict resolution and violence prevention
2. Monitor conflict situations worldwide, not only where violence is in progress, but also where it threatens to develop
3. Establish an integrated warning-response system that ensures both rapid acquisition and expert evaluation of warning indicators of genocide, and their prompt delivery to policy-makers with an array of appropriate responses
4. Gradually consolidate a network of international and regional organisations such as the EU, UN, OSCE or the African Union. Stimulate and coordinate these bodies to perform the tasks of near- and long-term prevention best suited to each
5. Encourage supporting nations, the media, the Internet, religious institutions, and NGOs to disseminate information about genocidal situations. Urge relevant authorities to neutralise or block media incitement to genocide

The Centre would also actively promote long-term prevention: at the level of economic development; through training, education and research; and by disseminating information and expert findings to heighten public understanding of genocide and build support for prevention. Overall, the Centre could elicit cooperation to pool strengths, share burdens, and divide labour. In so doing, it would keep the world's focus on this dreadful problem.

The European Union's vigorous commitment to preventing deadly conflict makes it an excellent candidate for leadership in sponsoring an International Centre for the Prevention of Genocide. With early links to the UN and NATO, and later to a worldwide network, the ICPG could move "never again" from a poignant slogan to an emerging global transformation.

*David A. Hamburg\* and Alexander George\*\**

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\*\* Alexander George is Graham Stuart Professor of Political Science, Emeritus, at Stanford University.

The next issue of the MEF's Anna Lindh Programme (to be launched in New York in September 2005) will address the relationship between development and conflict prevention. The publication will contain general essays from the perspective of various eminent personalities, including Javier Solana, Louis Michel and Steven Stedman; as well as regional case studies including the Balkans, the Ukraine and the Barents region.



*The report of the "Partners in Prevention" conference, the full version of Dr Hamburg's text, and a book order form for the publication "Development, Security and Conflict Prevention," can be downloaded at [www.madariaga.org](http://www.madariaga.org).*



## UNE CONSTITUTION POUR L'EUROPE ?

*Michel Theys, journaliste spécialiste des questions européennes, était présent à MEF, le 17 mai 2005 pour modérer un débat avec la Ministre française Claudie Haigneré. Suite aux résultats des votes français et néerlandais, il nous livre ses impressions.*

Maintenant que le vin référendaire a été tiré en France et aux Pays-Bas, il faut le boire. Jusqu'à la lie, dans le chef de Claudie Haigneré – qui, en sa qualité de ministre déléguée aux Affaires européennes, était venue tracer une improbable "perspective française" à la Fondation Madariaga dix jours avant le référendum – et de Michel Barnier, les deux victimes expiatoires de la bronca ciotienne.

Ces deux ballons de "gros rouge qui tache", on s'emploie surtout, dans les Institutions de l'Union et les autres Etats membres, d'éviter qu'ils ne soient renversés. Josep Borrell, le président du Parlement européen, a ainsi rappelé que, en vertu de la déclaration n° 30 annexée au Traité constitutionnel, six Etats membres devront n'avoir pas ratifié d'ici la fin 2006 pour que la Constitution soit définitivement déclarée mort-née. S'ils sont cinq à avoir "rencontré des difficultés", il appartiendrait encore au Conseil européen de se saisir de la question.

Aujourd'hui, on n'en est pas là. Au-delà de la haute portée symbolique du refus de deux "pays fondateurs" et, qui plus est, de la patrie de Jean Monnet et de Robert Schuman, il est donc, politiquement parlant, primordial de veiller à ce que le processus de ratification se poursuive dans les Etats membres qui ne se sont pas encore prononcés. Sous cet angle, c'est bel et bien... Londres qui, aujourd'hui, détient un droit de vie ou de mort sur la Constitution européenne !

Pour Tony Blair, un nouveau débat plus important que la Constitution a désormais commencé car, derrière les "non" français et néerlandais, "se cache une question plus profonde concernant le futur de l'Europe et, en particulier, le futur de l'économie européenne". Cette phrase sibylline traduit-elle une volonté du Premier ministre britannique de "passer à autre chose" en faisant ainsi l'économie d'un référendum à ses yeux superfétatoire ? Ses principaux partenaires sont aujourd'hui dans les cordes, groggy. Ne sera-t-il pas tenté d'en profiter pour tenter d'imprimer une marque plus anglo-saxonne à l'Union au cours de la Présidence britannique ?

Si tel est son dessein, Tony Blair ne sera pas seulement le fossoyeur de la Constitution européenne, il deviendra le Judas de l'Europe ! Car tous les "non" ne sont pas univoques. Aux "non" des nationalistes et autres souverainistes, sans même parler des extrémistes de tout bord, s'opposent les "non" de ceux qui veulent plus d'Europe, une Europe plus efficace, plus cohérente, plus sociale. Une Europe différente de celle d'aujourd'hui, quand bien même c'est la Constitution qui leur en promettait une autre qui a été prise en otage.

A n'en point douter, les "non" positifs sont beaucoup plus nombreux que les "non" passésistes. A faire mine de ne pas le comprendre, Tony Blair commettrait une faute, mais aussi une erreur tactique. Le patron du PS belge, Elio Di Rupo, a lancé un appel au gouvernement belge pour qu'il entame "toute démarche utile pour renforcer l'intégration politique d'un noyau dur de pays européens

qui veulent aller plus loin ensemble". De son côté, le Premier ministre belge, Guy Verhofstadt, a jugé que les deux "non" plaçaient l'Europe à un carrefour. "Qu'allons-nous faire: une Union européenne pure zone de libre-échange ou une Union politique, jouant un rôle dans le monde, avec une politique étrangère, de défense, socio-économique ?"

Dans le chef des Belges, poser la question, c'est y répondre. Sont-ils vraiment les derniers à rêver d'une Europe plus intégrée, plus politique et, osons le mot, plus fédérale ? Voilà qui reste à prouver. L'Histoire n'est jamais écrite. Après les "non" français et néerlandais, c'est en tout cas une nouvelle histoire qui le sera. Pour le pire ou le meilleur.

*Michel Theys  
Journaliste*



The Centre for Health, Ethics and Society (CHES), set up jointly by MEF and Johnson & Johnson, seeks to inform and discuss policies that affect the health and well-being of European citizens.

Recent roundtables include:

- The EU and Medicines for Paediatric Use: which way forward?, 23 May 2005
- The EU and HIV/AIDS in Europe and its Neighbourhood, 31 May 2005 (see below)
- Health Stakeholder Perspectives on the New EU Health and Consumer Strategy, 7 July 2005
- Putting informal care on the EU policy agenda, 20 Sept. 2005

## HIV/AIDS IN EUROPE AND ITS NEIGHBOURHOOD: EU POLICY PRIORITIES AND ACTIONS



The past five years have seen a surge in HIV infection in Europe, particularly in the Eastern countries. Estonia alone has seen a rise in the total number of cases from 64 to 4,442 since 1999, and some parts of Europe now have the fastest rate of new infections in the world.

On the 31st May 2005, a CHES Roundtable discussion was organised by the MEF and the European Red Cross, in order to review current EU HIV/AIDS policies and address future concerns. The Roundtable brought together 45 representatives of three Commission Directorates General (Sanco, Research and Development), NGOs, patient groups, the Council of Ministers and European Parliament and experts in the field.

Discussions focused on:

- Establishing pan-European care and treatment standards
- Expanding the range of treatments by increasing investment
- Reducing treatment costs by allowing Eastern countries access to drugs at the same price as African nations

But the most problematic issue was the lack of government attention to the problem. Unfortunately, the key vulnerable groups (intravenous drug users, sex workers and the young) are marginalized within society. Consequently, policy-makers often ignore the problem, allowing infection to spread throughout the population. And without government involvement at some level, it was concluded that grassroots advocacy can only provide half the answer.

*Neil Dillon*



## THE EUROPEAN DEMENTIA CONSENSUS NETWORK (EDCON)



Set up in May 2005 by the MEF in partnership with Janssen-Cilag, the EDCON programme aims to identify and build consensus on controversial issues concerning the recognition and care for people with dementia, in order to improve outcomes of care for patients, their caregivers and society. Key issues will include: disclosure of the diagnosis to the patient; improving standards of care for people with dementia; access to diagnosis and treatment; assessment of competency in dementia. Consensus statements will be disseminated by publications, congress symposia, books, CD-Rom, the Internet and other means.

## NEW EURASIA FOUNDATION: A RUSSIAN-EUROPEAN-AMERICAN INITIATIVE



There is a classic Austro-Hungarian joke about Kaiser Franz-Joseph's famous question, which he raised when he was informed that Austria and Hungary were playing football. "Against whom?" the Emperor wondered, "They are on the same team."

Would any European leader today ask this very question upon learning about Europe kicking the ball with Russia? While Russia is part of Europe geographically, and presented as so in landmark speeches about Victory Day, few would assume that Europeans and Russians are heading in the same direction.

Nevertheless, the New Eurasia Foundation (FNE), the first Russian-European-American initiative, now registered and operating in Moscow, unites Russia and Europe with the U.S. on board as well, acting as a key player in this inclusive civil society encounter.

Since its official launch in Moscow by the three founding partners (Madariaga European Foundation, Dynasty



Andrei Kortunov,  
President of FNE

Foundation and Eurasia Foundation) on December 1, 2004, FNE continues its grant-making and technical assistance program, helping hundreds of small businesses, NGO resource centres, community schools and independent media outlets, to name a few. The effort has European finesse, Russian soul and American heritage—FNE builds on the infrastructure and programmatic success of the Washington-based Eurasia Foundation.

The European season started with an important international event in Luxembourg, organised with the Luxembourg Institute for European and International Studies and supported by the Robert Bosch Foundation, where the EU Presidency was provided with 70 personalities from Russia and Europe, to brainstorm efficient strategies for creating positive action between the Eastern and Western ends of the European arena. A series of concrete policy recommendations was

drawn up, seeking to narrow the implementation gap in top-level decisions, to strengthen civil-society and second-track cooperation, and to promote cooperation in the area of education, research and culture. The British and Austrians began warming up for similar events, as their presidencies near. Student loan schemes, environment and Northern Caucasus issues were added to the scorecard.

The team is now addressing foreign assistance issues, identifying ways to involve foundations. A European-American-Russian partnership could be a winning scenario on this issue, and could create a potent franchise, one which could even be supported by a European Parliament budget item. Among the spectacular goals would be harmonization of the EU-Russia-US laws, convergence of values and scoring joint social responsibility. The trainers, using their deep experience, seek a win-win encounter instead of a zero-sum game.

Gabor Beszterczey  
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## PRE-LAUNCH OF THE UNIVERSAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION: EDUCATION BY ALL



In a special pre-launch event at the European Foundation Center's Annual Meeting in Budapest, Dr Marwan Awartani, Secretary General of the Universal Education Foundation (which signed a partnership with MEF in 2004) asserted that "Education by all is needed to promote the well-being of children," in calling upon governments, NGOs, foundations, and private citizens to assume responsibility for education. "Education," he claimed, "should not be a narrow activity carried on within the confines of schools, but rather should be the collective responsibility of all social systems, especially media, information communication technology and healthcare systems."

Building on the premise of Nelson Mandela that "education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world," the Universal Education Foundation (UEF) has established the Universal Education Awards, which aim to identify, honor, and inspire out-of-the-box pedagogical endeavors. With a special focus on early childhood, health, media, and information technology, the awards will highlight innovative and replicable contributions within different social systems.

Daniel Kropf, chair of the UEF Board, articulated its vision of a world where society is aware of its educational responsibility. "Both the health and the education systems need to have a common purpose and that is the development of healthy, conscious, caring, and responsible world citizens," he said in announcing the programme of the foundation and its European, American and Middle East partners.

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La **Biélorussie** a été un sujet d'étude sur les deux campus. A Bruges, les étudiants ont organisé une conférence au mois d'avril portant sur la situation politique actuelle de la Biélorussie à laquelle Mr l'Ambassadeur Hans-Georg Wiecek a participé. Au mois de mai, les étudiants de Natolin ont initié un projet d'échange avec des étudiants biélorusses dont la seconde phase s'est tenue à Minsk au mois d'août. Les thèmes principaux de ces rencontres entre Biélorusses et la communauté internationale du Collège d'Europe étaient la démocratie, les droits de l'homme, l'Europe et l'intégration européenne. Les partenaires de ce projet étaient le Conseil de l'Europe, la Fondation Batory et le Forum des jeunes diplomates. Les Ambassades du Royaume Uni à Minsk et à Varsovie ainsi que la Fondation Konrad Adenauer soutiennent financièrement ce projet.

The **Global Competition Law Centre** (GCLC) has organised two large-scale conferences since December. The first, entitled 'Margin Squeeze under EC competition law with a special focus on the Telecommunications Sector', took place in London in December in association with British Telecommunications. In June, the second annual conference of the GCLC was held in Brussels. This year, the conference focused on 'The Modernisation of Article 82'. The keynote speech was given by Philip Lowe, Director-General of DG Competition. A report, covering the main issues raised by the application of Article 82 of the EC Treaty, which prohibits abuse of a dominant position, has been produced incorporating much of the research presented at the conference. The GCLC continues to organise its Lunch Talk series on a regular basis. For more information about the activities of the GCLC, see [www.gclc.coleurop.be](http://www.gclc.coleurop.be).

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