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HUMANITIES AND THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD

DRAFT AGENDA

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H. E. Mr. Filip Vujanović, President of Montenegro

7–9 June 2012, Podgorica, Montenegro
Wednesday, 6 June 2012

Arrival of participants
20.00–22.00  Welcome reception (Hotel “Crna Gora”)

Thursday, 7 June 2012

8.40  Bus transfer to the Montenegrin Academy of Sciences and Arts

9.00–9.30  Opening of the Conference

◆ H. E. Mr. Filip Vujanović, President of Montenegro
◆ Prof. Momir Đurović, President, Montenegrin Academy of Sciences and Arts
◆ Prof. Ivo Šlaus, President, World Academy of Art & Science
◆ Prof. Felix Unger, President, European Academy of Sciences and Arts
◆ Dr. Ruediger Klein, Executive Director, ALLEA

9.30–10.00  Coffee break

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¹ The Opening of the Conference and I Session (till Lunch) will be held at the Montenegrin Academy of Sciences and Arts. The rest of the Conference programme will take place at the Hotel “Crna Gora”.
10.00–13.30 I Session
(chair: Prof. Ivo Šlaus, Prof. Sonja Tomović-Šundić)

- Prof. Ullica Segerstrale, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Finnish Society of Sciences and Letters
  The Heart of the Humanities

- Mr. Dorian Karatzas, Head of the Ethics Sector, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission
  Ethics and Horizon 2020: Integrating Ethics in Research and Innovation

- Prof. Erich Hoedl, Vice President, European Academy of Sciences and Arts
  Horizon 2020: Social Sciences and Humanities have to play a major role

- Cardinal Peter K. A. Turkson, President, Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, Vatican City
  Globalisation: a threat to flee or a challenge to embrace?

- Prof. Emil Jurcan, Faculty of Orthodox Theology of Alba Iulia, Romania
  Humanities and spirituality in Romanian area. Specific features

- Prof. Evanghelos Moutsopoulos, Academy of Athens, Greece
  Philosophy embracing Humanities

- Prof. Lorenzo Gascon, Vice-President, Royal Academy of Economics and Finances of Spain, Barcelona
  Contemporary world and ethics

- Prof. Ionel Haiduc, President, Romanian Academy, Prof. Ioan-Aurel Pop, Director, Center for Transylvanian Studies of Romanian Academy
  Humanities in a Multilingual Institution – the Example of Babes-Bolyai University (Cluj – Napoca, Romania)

Note: The time available to each speaker is 15 minutes maximum (possible questions included).
◆ Prof. **Vojislav Stanovčić**, Secretary, Department of Social Sciences, Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts

*Positivism, Scientism, Science and “Practical Philosophy”*

◆ Prof. **Agni Vlavianos Arvanitis**, President, Biopolitics International Organization, Greece, fellow of WAAS

*Biopolicy: Building global societal values – the Bio-Assessment of the Humanities and Technology*

◆ Prof. **Jaroslav Panek**, Vice-President, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic

*Humanities as a Bridge between National Identity and Global Openness*

**Inauguration of the World Academy of Art & Science Centre in Podgorica.**

13.00–13.30  **Discussion**

13.30–15.00  **Lunch** (Hotel “Crna Gora”)

15.00–19.30  **II Session**

*(chair: Prof. Ionel Haiduc, Prof. Raoul Weiler)*

◆ Prof. **Dragoljub R. Živojinović**, Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts

*History and Politics*

◆ Prof. **Markus Hilgert**, Ruprecht-Karls-University, Assyriologie, Heidelberg, Germany

*Learning from the Past? On the Societal Impact of Studying Ancient Cultures*

◆ Prof. **Ahmad Murad Merican**, Department of Management and Humanities, University Teknologi Petronas, Perak, Malaysia

*Humanities Futures: Meaning, Man and Worldview*
◆ Prof. **Nataša Hrastnik**, Faculty of Humanities, University of Donja Gorica, Slovenia

*Humanities and the Role of Cross-Cultural Research*

◆ Prof. **Vladimir Premec**, Academy of Sciences and Arts of Bosnia and Herzegovina

*Towards the Unity of the World*

◆ Prof. **Valery Aleksandrovich Tishkov**, Director, Institute of ethnology and anthropology, Russian Academy of Sciences

*The New Historical Culture*

◆ Prof. **Zoran Lakić**, Montenegrin Academy of Sciences and Arts

*Science is beyond and over politics*

◆ Dr. **Gilbert Fayl**, President, The Global Round Table, Brussels

*Waiting for the White Knight*

◆ Prof. **Joško Sindik**, Prof. **Saša Missoni**, Institute for Anthropological Research, Zagreb, Croatia

*Stimulating developmental milestones of preschool children through interdisciplinary alliances between scientists and professionals*

17.00–17.30  **Coffee break**

### Continuation of II Session

*(Chair: Prof. Dragoljub R. Živojinović, Prof. Agni Vlavianos Arvanitis)*

◆ Prof. **Robert Dassanowsky**, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, President, Austrian Studies Association, U. S. Delegate, European Academy of Sciences and Arts

*Finding Europe in a Deconstruction of Humanities: Digitalization and Posthumanism as Tool or Totalization?*

◆ Prof. **Eva Smolkova**, Slovak Academy of Sciences

*Develop practical alliances between scientists, engineers and humanities*
Prof. Ljudmila Popović, Comparative Literature, University of Colorado, junior fellow of WAAS
Being in Superposition

Prof. Milica Kostić, Montenegrin Academy of Sciences and Arts
Humanities in small countries and Globalization

Prof. Emil Constantinescu, President of Romanian Academic Forum, President of Romania 1996–2000, member of the Board of Trustees of WAAS
A Modern Alchemy: from the Lead of Information to the Gold of Knowledge

Prof. Mirjana Radović-Marković, Institute of Economic Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Creative education and new learning as means of encouraging creativity, original thinking and entrepreneurship

19.00–19.30 Discussion

19.30 Bus transfer from the Hotel to the Boat restaurant on Skadar Lake
20.00–22.00 Dinner (boat-restaurant on Skadar Lake)

Friday, 8 June 2012

8.30–13.30 III Session
(chair: Prof. Garry Jacobs, Dr Ljudmila Popović)

Prof. Rudolf Rizman, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
Why the World needs Humanities?

Prof. Vučina Vasović, Faculty of Political Science, Belgrade, Serbia
Humanism, Politics and Democracy

Prof. Ljubomir Zuković, Vice-President, Prof. Dragoljub Mirjanić, Secretary general, Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Developing practical alliances between scientists, engineers, social scientists and humanists
Prof. Dragan K. Vukčević, Montenegrin Academy of Sciences and Arts
Knowledge and the Virtue

Prof. Ilija Vujačić, Dean, Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade, Serbia
Popper's Conception of Social Engineering and its Inconsistencies

Mr. Sci. Ardian Gola, Kosova Academy of Sciences and Arts
Theorizing technology in the “post-essentialist” era

Maruta Pranka, Riga Stradiņš University, Hereditary Cancer Institute, Latvia
Biographical Approach in Multidisciplinary Research

Prof. Vladimir Dimitrov, Scientific Secretary, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
The Interdependence between Humanities and Natural Sciences and How to Master the Collaborations

10.30–11.00 Coffee break

Continuation of III Session
(Chair: Prof. Lorenzo Gascon, Prof. Erich Hoedl)

Prof. Vitomir Mitevski, Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts
The Ancient Models of Humanistic Education and the Modern World

Prof. Olof G. Tandberg, Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, International Scientific Cooperation, fellow of WAAS
Abdus Salam – “More than a Nobel Prize Laureate”

Prof. Ludwig Tavernier, Department of Art History and its Communications, Koblenz-Landau University, Germany
Interculturality and progress. The Euro-Mediterranean culture and knowledge area from an art-historical perspective
Prof. Sonja Tomović-Šundić, Dean, Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Montenegro, Podgorica
*Humanities and the Global Civilization*

Prof. Mileva Filipović, Faculty of Law, University of Montenegro, Podgorica
*New Scientific Revolution in Sociology*

Prof. Slavica Perović, Institute for Foreign Languages, University of Montenegro, Podgorica
*Language, gender and identity*

Prof. Slavia Barlieva, Scientific Secretary, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
*Between National and European. Humanities towards resituating the process of identity formation*

Dr. Iveta Briška, Riga Stradins University, Latvia
*Changes in Discourse on Ecological Risks in Latvia*

13.00–13.30  *Discussion*

13.30–15.00  *Lunch*

15.00–19.30  **IV session: Individuality**³

*(Chair: Prof. Ivo Šlaus)*

Prof. Garry Jacobs, Chairman of the Board, World Academy of Art and Science
*The Emerging Individual*

Prof. Ivo Šlaus, President, World Academy of Art and Science
*Human Capital, Individuality & Self-augmenting Growth*

³ All speakers are fellows of World Academy of Art & Science.
Mr. **Augusto Forti**, Vice president, International Institute for Opera and Poetry; Retired Professor of Geophysics

*History of the concept of the individual and individuality in Western society*

Prof. **Stacey Day**, visiting Professor of Medical Education, University of Oita, Japan

*Individuation and the imperative need for biopsychosocial moral education in the 21st century*

Mr. **Ashok Natarajan**, Secretary and Senior Research Fellow, The Mother’s Service Society, Pondicherry, India

*Evolution of individuality*

Prof. **Zbigniew Bochniarz**, Visiting Professor, University of Washington, USA

*An Economist’s reflections on Individuality, Human and Social Capital and Responsibilities of Academia*

Prof. **Faris Gavr rankapetanović**, Director, University of Sarajevo Clinical Centre, Bosnia and Herzegovina

*Globalisation as a Precondition for Individualism*

16.45–17.15 *Discussion*

17.15–17.30 *Coffee Break*

**Continuation of IV Session**

*(Chair: Prof. Garry Jacobs)*

Prof. **Winston Nagan**, Professor of Law & Director, University of Florida, Levin College of Law, USA

*Aesthetics and Human Rights*

Dr. **Saulo Casali Bahia**, Federal Justice, Brazil

*Individuality and Law in Latin America*
Dr. **Alberto Zucconi**, President, Person Centred Approach Institute (IACP), Italy
*The fully functioning person: a bio-psycho-social viewpoint*

Dr. **Raoul Weiler**, Emeritus Professor, University of Leuven, Belgium
*Civilization in danger? In search for a new world vision*

Mrs. **Janani Harish**, Research Associate, The Mother’s Service Society, India
*Individuality and social evolution in Literature*

Prof. **Nancy Flournoy**, Department of Statistics, University of Missouri, Columbia
*Integrating the Humanities with Applications of the Scientific method*

19.15–19.45  **Discussion**

20.00–22.00  **WAAS Plenum (Hotel “Crna Gora” Green Saloon)**
20.00–22.00  **IACSEE Programme Committee meeting**
             (Hotel “Crna Gora” Yellow Saloon)

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**Saturday, 9 June, 2012**

9.00–18.00  **Visit to Cetinje, Royal Capital of Montenegro and the coastal area (optional)**

09.00–13.00  **Limits To Rationality (WAAS meeting)**
**Prof. Ivo Šlaus**
**Prof. Žarko Puhovsky**
**Prof. Garry Jacobs**
**Prof. Ljudmila Popović**
**Prof. Simeon Anguelov**

**Discussion on WAAS projects.**
Full paper submission:  
1 July 2012

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English

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