

A joint EquNET & CEPS *Symposium* on Equity in Higher Education

University of Ljubljana, 23 – 24 November 2010

I. Hribar Room

Tuesday, 23 November

9.00 – 10.00 Opening; greetings

Chairs: Pavel Zgaga, CEPS University of Ljubljana & Fabio Nascimbeni, MENON, EQUeNet

Greetings by State Secretary Dr. Jozsef Györkös,
Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology

Greetings by Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Julijana Kristl

(9.15) EquNET Report Presentation

Anthony F. Camilleri, EquNET coordinator & Andreas Bohoneck, ZSI, Vienna
- discussion

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break

10.30 – 13.15 Theme 1: Conceptualising Equity for Policymaking

Chair: Klemen Miklavic, CEPS, University of Ljubljana

10.30 - 11.30 *How to understand equity in higher education*
Zdenko Kodolja, Institute of Education, Ljubljana

11.30 – 12.30 *Theory of practice, mixed methods research and the development of social sensitivity accreditation in HE*
Karin Doolan, Institute for Social Research in Zagreb
- Discussion

12.30 – 13.30 *Segmentation in HE - frequently overlooked form of the reproduction of inequality*
Slavko Gaber & Veronika Tašner, CEPS University of Ljubljana
- Discussion

13.30 – 14.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 16.30 Theme 2: Universal Higher Education, diversity, society and equity

Chair: Manja Klemenčič, CEPS, University of Ljubljana

14.30 – 15.30 *Contradictory functions in higher education's contribution to social equity*
John Brennan, CHERI, The Open University, London
- Discussion

15.30 – 16.30 *Degrees, Jobs and Status in Society - the Tension between Meritocracy and Equality*
Ulrich Teichler, INCHER, Universität Kassel
- Discussion

16.30-16.45 Coffee break

16.45-17.45 Panel discussion and conclusions of the day

Chair: Pavel Zgaga, CEPS, University of Ljubljana

Panelists (t.b.c.):

- Melinda Szabo, European Students' Union, Brussels, Belgium

- Pavel Gregoric, University of Zagreb, Croatia

- Bardhyl Musai, University of Tirana, Albania

- Dionisis Kladis, University of Peloponnesus, Corinth, Greece

18.00-19.00 Reception

given by Prof. Dr. Stane Pejovnik, Rector of the University of Ljubljana

19.30 **Dinner** (old city; walking distance)
Guest of the evening: Dr. Franci Demšar,
Director of the Slovenian Research Agency (ARRS)

Wednesday, 24 November

09.00 – 12.30 **Theme 2: Universal Higher Education, diversity, society and equity**
Chair: Martina Vukasovic, Center for Education Policy (COP), Belgrade, Serbia

09.00 – 10.00 *The roles of reputational competition and positional goods in maintaining patterns of inequality*
Roger Dale, Centre for Globalisation, Education and Societies
University of Bristol
- Discussion

10.00 – 11.00 *Stratification within Higher Education* (working title)
Voldemar Tomusk, International Higher Education Support Program, Open Society
Institute
- Discussion

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 12.30 *Who gets a degree? Access to tertiary education in Europe 1950-2009*
Aleš Bartušek, Education Policy Centre
Charles University in Prague, Faculty of Education
- Discussion

12.30-13.30 **Lunch break**

13.30– 15.30 **Theme 3: Equity in Higher Education systems, mechanisms and financing**
Chair: Claudio Dondi, President, SCIENTER

13.30 – 14.30 *The idea of an academic tax/ duty* (working title)
Dieter Dohmen, FiBS Berlin
- Discussion

14.30 – 15.30 *Strategies for ensuring equitable access to HE for immigrant groups*
Leon Cremonini, CHEPS, University of Twente
- Discussion

15.30-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-17.00 **Panel discussion, seminar findings and conclusions**
Chair: Janja Komljenovič, CEPS, University of Ljubljana

Panelists (t.b.c.):

- Per Nyborg, former Head of the Bologna Secretariat, Oslo, Norway
- Blerim Saqipi, University of Prishtina, Kosovo
- Vanja Ivosevic, Center for Education Policy (COP), Belgrade, Serbia
- Kai Muehleck, Hochschul-Informationssystem GmbH, Hannover

17.00 **Closing**