

Conference

OSCE and Minorities : Assessment and Prospects

Place : *Warsaw*

Date : **7 - 8 april 2006**

Contributors : 21, for each debate, one presentation, two disputants

Time : Three half days

Organisation pool : Centre Thucydide – Paris / International Relations Institute of Warsaw

First half day : 7 april 2006 - 9 am – 1 pm

Opening address : 9 am – 9.30 pm :

Stanislaw Parzymies, International relations institute, Warsaw
Serge Sur, Thucydide Centre, Panthéon-Assas University
Malgorzata Gersdorf, Vice-President Warsaw University
Krzysztof Drzewicki, Senior Legal Adviser of the High-
Commissioner on National minorities Office
Christoph Strohal, Office for democratic institutions and Human
rights (ODIHR) Director

First theme : Minority issue in the OSCE area

Session 1. 9.30 a.m. – 10.45 a.m. : Minority issue in postcommunist Europe

Chairman : *Adam Rotfeld*

Presentation : Stanislaw Pawlak

Discussants : Levente Salat
Milan Milanov

General discussion

10.45 a.m. – 11.15 a.m. : Coffee break

Session 2. (11.15 a.m. – 12. 30 a.m.) : state of minority issue in Western Europe

Chairman : Ewa Chylinski

Presentation : Alberto Perez Calvo

*Discussants : André Liebich
Lionel Arnaud*

General discussion

Second half day: 7 april 2006 - 2.30 pm – 6.15 pm

First theme : Minority issue in the OSCE area

Session 3. (2.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.) : Minorities in North America area

Chairman : Ednan Agaev

Presentation : Will Kymlicka

*Discussants: Cassandra Butts
Guillaume Parmentier*

General discussion

Session 4. (3.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.) : Resurgence of Minority issue in post Soviet space

Chairman : Joseph Marko

Presentation (10 mn) : Jonathan Wheatley

*Discussants (7 mn for each person) : Ednan Agaev
Oleh Protsyk*

General discussion

4.30 p.m. – 5 p.m. : Coffee break

Second theme : Regulation tools of the OSCE

**Session 5. (5 p.m. – 6.15 p.m.) : Evolution of the OSCE normative response :
from collective to individual rights**

Chairman : Will Kymlicka

Presentation : Janus Symonides

*Discussants : Boris Cilevics
Gabriel Andreescu*

General discussion

Third half day : 8 april 2006 - 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Second theme : Regulation tools of the OSCE

**Session 6. (9 a.m. – 10.15 a.m.) : Action tool and effectiveness of the High-Commissioner
and the OSCE field missions**

Chairman : Liviu Bota

Presentation : Victor-Yves Ghebali

*Discussants : Wolfgang Zellner
Harald Schenker*

Coffee Break : 10.15 a.m. - 10.45 a.m.

Third theme : Perspectives on the role of the OSCE in regulating minority issue

Session 7. (10.45 a.m. – 12.15 a.m.) : The OSCE and the other international institutions - complementarity, concurrence, co-operation

Chairman : To be confirmed

Presentation : Walter Kemp

*Discussants : Liviu Bota
Ewa Chylinski*

Conclusion : 12.15 a.m. – 12.30 a.m. :

Serge Sur, Centre Thucydide, Paris

Closing of the Conference
Edward Halizak, International relations Institute, Warsaw