
Improving Solidarity in Central and Eastern Europe: New Approaches to International Reconciliation

Closing Conference of the Project
“The Seven Neighbors of Hungary – Questions of Historical Reconciliation and Cooperation in the 21st Century”

June 25 2012

Location: *Central European University, 1051 Budapest, Nádor u. 9, Gellner Room*

10.00 Welcome by **Péter Balázs**, Director of the Center for EU Enlargement Studies, presentation of the project
Keynote Speech: **Gert Weisskirchen**, Willy Brandt School, University of Erfurt, Germany

10.30 *Panel 1: Sources of international tensions in Central and Eastern Europe*

Chair: Barbara Kunz

Competing historical narratives in the CEE region

Balázs Trencsényi, CEU, Budapest, Hungary

Patterns of Memory

Ferenc Laczó, Friedrich-Schiller University Jena, Germany

Hungary and Romania: Historical reconciliation or reconciling histories?

Gábor Egry, Institute of Political History, Budapest, Hungary

12.00 *Buffet Lunch*

12.50 *Panel 2: Models of international reconciliation – lessons learned*

Chair: Ferenc Laczó

French-German reconciliation

Barbara Kunz, Stiftung Genshagen, Schloss Genshagen, Germany

Reconciliation in the Balkans, managing diversities

Mitja Žagar, Institute for Ethnic Studies, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Patterns of creating common identities

Slavka Otcenasova Pavol Jozef Šafárik University, Košice, Slovakia

14.20 *Coffee break*

14.40 *Ambassadorial panel with representatives of the embassies of Austria, Croatia, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine*

Panel chaired by **Péter Balázs** (CENS)