

Curriculum Vitae

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Employment

Since September 2006: Comenius University, Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences,
Institute of Social Anthropology, Bratislava, Slovakia, lecturer.

Research interests

Anthropology of politics and social movements; economic anthropology; nationalism,
populism and religion; politics of memory; social transformations in Eastern Europe; Poland,
Slovakia, Western Ukraine;

Fieldwork: Przemyśl, Poland (2003-2004); Prešov, Košice, Slovakia (2004, 2009 - present);
Uzhgorod, Ukraine (irregular research visits in 2007; 2009 - present).

Academic degrees and scholarships

February 2003 - January 2006: Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/S.,
Germany; doctoral candidate (thanks to scholarship of Max Planck Society); PhD defense
(July 2006) at Martin Luther University, Halle-Wittenberg, Germany (supervisor Chris
Hann); the thesis published as *Nation and Religion: The Politics of Commemoration in South-
East Poland*, Münster: Lit 2007 (Vol. 14, Halle Series in the Anthropology of Eurasia).

October 2002 - January 2003: Sussex European Institute, University of Sussex, Brighton,
United Kingdom; Marie Curie visiting fellow; research project: ‘Contemporary Populism in
East Central Europe’ (supervisor Jon Mitchell).

2001 – 2002: University of Sussex, Brighton, United Kingdom; MA in Anthropology of
Europe (thanks to Open Society Institute and Foreign and Commonwealth Office Chevening
Scholarship); MA dissertation title: ‘Political Culture in Central and Eastern Europe: An
Anthropological Approach’ (supervisor Jeff Pratt).

1999 – 2004: Institute of Ethnology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava, Slovakia;
PhD student (supervisor Juraj Podoba).

1994 - 1999: Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia, Faculty of Arts, branch: political
science – journalism; Master’s Degree – Mgr; dissertation title: ‘Konfessionalizmus a politický
vývoj Slovenska’ (The Confessionalism and Political Development in Slovakia; supervisor
Soňa Szomolányi).

Postdoctoral Fellowships

April – May 2009: University of Helsinki, Finnland, Aleksanteri Institute Visiting Scholar.

October – December 2008: Institute for Human Sciences, Vienna, Austria, Andrew W. Mellon Visiting Fellow.

June – July 2008: Geistwissenschaftliches Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas (GWZO), Leipzig, Germany, visiting fellow.

Awards

Libellus Primus 2008 – the book prize of Jan Hus Foundation, Czech Republic and Slovakia, for the best first monograph in social sciences and humanities (*Nation and Religion. The Politics of Commemoration in South-East Poland*);

2nd Prize for the publication achievement in 2007 - Národopisná spoločnosť Slovenska - Slovak Ethnological Society (*Nation and Religion. The Politics of Commemoration in South-East Poland*).

Other professional experiences

Since September 2009 - Comenius University Centre of Excellence for Social Innovations; researcher.

Since July 2009: MEDEA – Models and their Effects on Development paths: an Ethnographic and comparative Approach to knowledge transmission and livelihood strategies; collaborative project no. 225670 of the EU 7th Framework Program; head of Slovak consortium partner.

November 2007 – June 2008: Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts (BISLA), Bratislava, Slovakia, part-time faculty member.

October 2007 – September 2008: National project ‘Excellent University’, member of the expert advisory team ‘Science, society and challenges of civilization’, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia.

Since 2006: Research Center of the Slovak Foreign Policy Association (RC SFPA), Bratislava, Slovakia, projects collaborator.

Editorial positions

Since September 2010 – OS – občianska spoločnosť bimonthly, editor-in-chief;

2008: guest editor of the special social anthropological issue of *Sociológia* 40: 6.

Since 1999: co-editor of the quarterly *International Issues and Slovak Foreign Policy Affairs*, the Research Center of the Slovak Foreign Policy Association (SFPA), Bratislava.

1997 - 2001: Slovak Foreign Policy Association (SFPA), Bratislava; editor and editor-in-chief of the monthly *Listy SFPA* (currently *Zahraničná politika*).

Languages

Slovak (mother tongue), English (written and spoken ability)
Polish, Ukrainian, Russian, German (spoken and reading ability)

Selected bibliography

Monographs

Forthcoming - *Slovensko a (politická) kultúra*, Bratislava: Kalligram.

2007. *Nation and Religion: The Politics of Commemoration in South-east Poland*. Münster: Lit (vol. 14, Halle Studies in the Anthropology of Eurasia).

Scientific Articles in Journals (CC and other databases)

2009. ‘Scale and Ethnicity in Southeast Poland: Tourism in the European Periphery’, *Etnográfica* 13(2): 373-393.

2008. ‘Multiculturalism and National Cultures in Eastern Europe’, *Sociológia*, 40: 6, 495-514.

2008. ‘Europeanization and post-peasant populism in Eastern Europe’, *Europe-Asia Studies*, 60:5, 757–771.

2007. Národnizmus, náboženstvo a multikulturalizmus v juhovýchodnom Poľsku (Nationalism, religion and multiculturalism in south-east Poland), *Sociologický časopis - Czech Sociological Review* 43/1: 31-47.

2006 ‘Die nicht-existente Gemeinschaft. Die Slowakei und Deutschland in der EU’ *Osteuropa* 56/10: 65-75 (with Vladimír Bilčík).

2005. ‘Religious populism? Some reflections on politics in post-socialist south-east Poland.’ *Slovak Foreign Policy Affairs*, Vol. 6, No. 1, 1/2005, pp 75-84.

2002. ‘Does Political Culture Matter? The ”Westernization” of Slovakia after the year 1989’, *Slovak Foreign Policy Affairs*, vol. 3, 1/2002 (with Tomáš Strážay). Reprinted also in Skalník, P., ed., 2004. *Politická kultúra: antropologie, sociologie, politologie* (Political culture: anthropology, sociology, political science), Prague: Set Out/CeFReS.

Articles in Edited Volumes and Scholarly Journals

Forthcoming – ‘Tasting Wine in Slovakia: Post-socialist Elite Consumption of Cultural Particularities’, in *Anthropology of Wine: Ethnography from the Vineyard to the Glass* Rachel E. Black and Robert C. Ulin (eds), Berg Publishers.

Forthcoming - ‘Slovakia’ in Donnacha Ó Beacháin, Vera Sheridan and Sabina Stan (eds). *Happy Ever After? Life in Post-Communist Europe After EU Membership*, London: Routledge (with Vladimír Bilčík).

2011. Európska ideológia slovenského patriotizmu, in Bátor, J. a Jambor, E.: *Globálna prezentácia: možnosti a výzvy*, Bratislava: Ústav európskych štúdií a medzinárodných vzťahov FSEV UK, s. 20-29.
2010. ‘Spoleczne zycie wina’, *Przemyski przeglad kulturalny*, Vol. 17, No. 2 (2010), pp. 48-52.
2010. ‘Spoločenské inovácie: aktuálna téma alebo ďalší módny trend?’ *OS* 14/2: 5-9 (with Darina Malová).
2010. ‘Nation, religion and tolerance in Eastern Europe’, in *Religion, identity, postsocialism*, The Halle Focus Group 2003-2010, Halle: Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, pp 55-58.
2009. ‘O korenoch a elite’ (On Roots and on Elite), in *Slová. Pamätnica k sedemdesiatke Rudolfa Chmela* (Words: Memory Book for Rudolf Chmel’s 70th Birthday), Bratislava: Kalligram, s. 25-34.
2009. ‘Národ, náboženstvo a modernita v juhovýchodnom Poľsku: antropologická štúdia nacionalizmu v stredovýchodnej Európe’ (Nation, nationalism, and modernity in South-East Poland: an anthropological case study of nationalism in Central and Eastern Europe), in Findor, Andrej and Peter Drál’ (eds), *Ako skúmať národ. Deväť štúdií o etnicite a nacionalizme*, Brno: Tribun, pp. 131-157.
2009. ‘Syncretism among the Greek Catholic Ukrainians in Southeast Poland’ in S. Mahieu; V. Naumescu, eds, *Churches in-between. Greek Catholic Churches in Postsocialist Europe*, Münster: Lit, pp. 183-205.
2008. ‘Má slovenská zahraničná politika sociálnodemokratickú dimenziu?’ *Zahraničná politika* 12/1, s. 23-25.
2007. ‘Prečo Milan Hodža nie je národným hrdinom? Sonda do nekrofilie slovenskej politiky’ (Why Milan Hodža is not a national hero? A probe into Slovak political necrophilia), *OS* 6: 30-51.
2007. ‘V Karpatskej krajinke’ (In Carpathian Little Country), *OS* 2: 114-128. <http://www.salon.eu.sk/author.php?author=44>
- 2006 ‘The Catholic tolerance: reconciliation of nations in south-east Poland’ in C. M. Hann and civil religion group, *Postsocialist Religious Question*, Münster: Lit, pp. 293-313.
2004. *Is rural populism on the decline? Continuities and Changes in Twentieth Century Central Europe: the case of Slovakia*. SEI Working Paper No. 73, University of Sussex, Brighton. <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/sei/documents/wp73.pdf>
2004. ‘Ohrozujie Európa existenciu národa?’ (Does Europe Threaten the Existence of a Nation?) *Listy SFPA* 3/2004. <http://www.euractiv.sk/buducnost-eu/analyza/ohrozujie-europa-existenciu-naroda>

2004. 'Má Európa východnú hranicu alebo aká bude Curzonova línia novej Európskej únie?' (Does Europe Have an Eastern Border or how will be the Curzon Line of European Union Like?) *Listy SFPA* 1/2004.

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