

# **Questionnaire**

## **Summary of the main activities of a research institute of the Slovak Academy of Sciences**

*Period: January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2021*

### **1. Basic information on the institute:**

#### **1.1. Legal name and address**

Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences  
Klemensova 19  
813 64 Bratislava

#### **1.2. URL of the institute web site**

<http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/>

#### **1.3. Executive body of the institute and its composition**

<b>Directoriat</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Year of birth</b>	<b>Years in the position, from - to</b>
<b>Director</b>	prof. PhDr. Silvia Miháliková, PhD.	1952	2016-2018
<b>Deputy director</b>	Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.	1971	2016-2018
<b>Scientific secretary</b>	Mgr. Ing. Miloslav Bahna, PhD.	1975	2016-2018
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<b>Deputy director</b>	prof. PhDr. Silvia Miháliková, PhD.	1952	2019 -
<b>Scientific secretary</b>	Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.	1971	2019 -

**Add more rows for any changes during the evaluation period**

#### **1.4. Head of the Scientific Board**

prof. PhDr. Silvia Miháliková, PhD.

##### **1.4.1 Composition of the International Advisory Board**

prof. PhDr. Dana Hamplová, PhD., Institute of Sociology of the Czech Academy of Sciences  
Prof Erika Harris, PhD, BA, University of Liverpool  
Dr Tomáš Sniegoň, Lund University

#### **1.5. Basic information on the research personnel**

**1.5.1. Fulltime equivalent work capacity of all employees (FTE all), FTE of employees with university degrees engaged in research projects (FTE researchers)**

2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021		2016-2021	
FTE all	FTE researchers	average FTE all per year	average FTE researchers per year										
21,53	16,98	20,85	16,38	20,20	15,68	18,15	13,63	21,45	16,29	21,32	15,26	20,58	15,70

**1.5.2. If applicable, add also a short information on the merger of the institute in the evaluation period. You can also add rows in the above table corresponding to the founding institutes**

## **1.6. Basic information on the funding of the institute**

### **1.6.1. Institutional salary budget, other salary budget<sup>1</sup>, non-salary budget<sup>2</sup>**

Salary budget	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	average
<b>Institutional salary budget</b> <i>[millions of EUR]</i>	0,379	0,467	0,438	0,442	0,526	0,507	<b>0,460</b>
<b>Other salary budget</b> <i>[millions of EUR]</i>	0,140	0,093	0,011	0,072	0,051	0,029	<b>0,066</b>
<b>Total salary budget</b> <i>[millions of EUR]</i>	0,519	0,560	0,449	0,514	0,577	0,536	<b>0,526</b>
<b>Non-salary budget</b> <i>[millions of EUR]</i>	0,148	0,108	0,192	0,189	0,193	0,171	<b>0,167</b>

## **1.7. Mission Statement of the Institute as presented in the Foundation Charter indicating the years when it was adopted and revised**

### ***The scope of activities of the organization***

(1) The predominant main activity of the organization shall be carrying out of research in the fields of science and technology (hereinafter also referred to as "disciplines"): Sociology (050401), Theory and methodology of sociology (050402), Branches of sociology (050403), Other related fields of social sciences (050499).

(2) The other main activities of the organization are:

(a) the provision and management of research and development infrastructure to which the organization has ownership or other rights; the extent of the research and development infrastructure, rights to which the organization acquires by changing the legal form of the organization to a public research institution 1.1. 2022, will be derived from the protocol between the Slovak Academy of Sciences and the organization pursuant to Section 21aa, paragraph 11 of the Academy Act,

(b) the acquisition, processing, and dissemination of information on science and technology and knowledge from its own research and development, in the disciplines referred to in paragraph 1; publishing the journal Sociológia / Slovak Sociological Review (ISSN 0049 - 1225),

(c) participating in the implementation of study programs in cooperation with the university

<sup>1</sup> Salary budget originating outside the regular budgetary resources of the organization, e.g. from the project funding.

<sup>2</sup> Includes Goods and Services and PhD fellowships

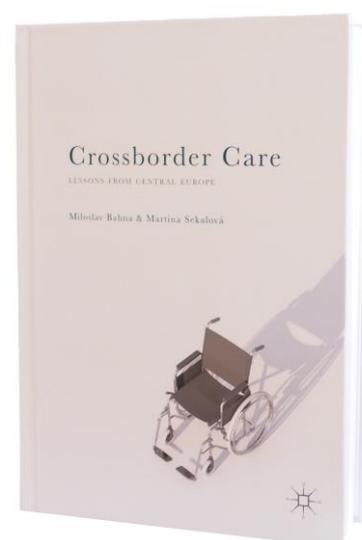
programs of the third cycle of higher education studies, namely, study programs sociology and the theory and methodology of sociology in the field of study sociology and social anthropology,

d) cooperation in science and technology with universities, other legal entities carrying out research and development, and with entrepreneurs, in the fields referred to in paragraph 1.

**1.8. Summary of R&D activity pursued by the institute during the evaluation period in both national and international contexts. Describe the scientific importance and societal impact of each important result/discovery. Explain on general level – the information should be understandable for a non-specialist (recommended 5 pages, max. 10 pages for larger institutes with more than 50 average FTE researchers per year as per Table 1.5.1.)**

The evaluation period was characterized by a **major push of the Institute towards international visibility and relevance** while maintaining its position as a flagship provider of national research and expertise in the field of sociology in Slovakia. Our expertise and research continue to enjoy a very high visibility as demonstrated by hundreds of media mentions and appearances with a clear social impact demonstrated in the case studies presented in part 2.6. Researchers from the Institute are also increasingly visible at international conferences and academic events. In 2016, the Institute admitted its first PhD students since its renewed accreditation for PhD studies obtained in 2015. Providing an annual PhD lecture series, the Institute collaborates with its university partners at Comenius University in Bratislava and Trnava University in Trnava and currently hosts **the largest sociology PhD programme in Slovakia**. The position of the Institute is also visible in its ability to attract international scholars, who frequently choose our Institute as the host institution for their Individual Marie Skłodowska-Curie projects, SASPRO fellowships and other international exchanges (e.g. SAIA fellowships).

The drive towards establishing the Institute as a major player in the discipline can be demonstrated by the **growing share of publications in globally relevant publication outlets**, be it monographs at established academic publishers (Routledge, Palgrave Macmillan) or major international journals in the field. The English language monographs published at major academic publishers include works by the Institute's core researchers as well as by long-term collaborators, especially Marie Skłodowska-Curie / SASPRO research fellows. Within this growing collection of publications written in English few titles particularly stood out. *Crossborder Care: Lessons from Central Europe* (Palgrave Macmillan 2019) by Miloslav Bahna (with Martina Sekulová) was the first to extensively cover the topic of crossborder care between Austria and Slovakia as a special case of the commodification of care. The book has been awarded the status of an outstanding monograph by the Slovak Academy of Sciences and was deemed to be among the best sociological works of 2020 in the Alexander Hirner competition. The monograph *Sociology of Crisis: Visualising Urban Austerity* (Routledge 2017) by Myrto Tsilimpounidi, has been listed as a 'leading handbook in the field' in the Routledge 'Advancements of Sociology' series. The publication was awarded the 2017 Prize for the Popularisation of Science by the Slovak Academy of Sciences.



Our scholars have an excellent track record in **publishing first- or single-authored articles with top-tier journals**, such as *Acta Sociologica*, *European Journal of Industrial Relations*, *European Sociological Review*, *European Societies*, *Focaal*, *Gender, Place and Culture*,

*International Migration review, Journal of Cultural Economy, Qualitative Inquiry, Social Anthropology, Social Politics, Work, Employment and Society*, and others. Within this growing collection we are particularly proud of the paper “Does the freedom of information law increase transparency at the local level? Evidence from a field experiment” published in *Government Information Quarterly* in 2018. The study, the first of its kind in Slovakia, focuses on the question of whether freedom of information laws increase transparency at the local level. The paper’s uniqueness lies in the fact that it studies all the municipalities in the country. One of the most cited 2018 articles of the *Population, Space and Place* journal, “Study choices and returns of international students: On the role of cultural and economic capital of the family” examines the interplay of cultural and economic capital in the post-graduation career paths of international students from Slovakia. Another example of our contribution to international debates in the field of Sociology is the 2020 study “Explaining the role of international scholars in semi-peripheries. Evidence from Slovakia” published in *Studies in Higher Education*. This paper explains the mechanisms behind the internationalization of Slovak universities. Co-authored with a visiting scholar at the Institute, this paper represents the results of international collaboration based on exchange stays at the Institute funded by the SAIA agency.

The institute also **maintains its leading position nationally** by publishing in Slovak, while continuing to increase its international visibility with **a high and growing share of English-language publications**. Our principal outputs therefore include Slovak language monographs which are the results of international cooperation or are important syntheses of long term processes of societal transformation. The book based on the European Values Study *Odděleně spolu?: Česko a Slovensko optikou vývoje hodnot po roce 1991 [Living apart together? Czechia and Slovakia through the lense of value development after 1991]* edited by Ladislav Rabušic, Zuzana Kusá, Beatrice Chromková Manea, and Katarína Strapcová (Slovart, 2019) provides the first systematic comparison of the development of values orientations related to family, work, religion, solidarity, politics and the public sphere in Czechia and Slovakia since the split of the common state. The majority of its chapters are co-authored by Slovak and Czech sociologists, who analyse data from four European Values Study surveys (1991, 1999, 2008 and 2017) in both countries. An important aspect of free market transformation - the conversion of cooperatives in the Slovak agriculture sector - is dealt with in the award winning monograph by Jana Lindbloom (winning both the Alexander Hirner prize of the Slovak Sociological Society and the Literary fund award) *Transformácia a zánik poľnohospodárskych družstiev [The Transformation and Fall of Agricultural Cooperatives]* published in 2019 by the VEDA publishing house of the Slovak Academy of Sciences.

The 2016 monograph *Sídelný vývoj na Slovensku (1990-2014) a jeho sociálno-priestorové kontexty a dopady [Settlement development in Slovakia (1990-2014) and its social-spatial contexts and implications]* by Peter Gajdoš and Katarína Moravanská represents another example of a synthesis of long term research at the Institute. The most important contribution is the examination of social, cultural and demographic factors that affect regional development in all regions and all settlements in Slovakia in a period of more than 20 years. This results in a social settlement typology of municipalities, which demonstrates significant settlement and regional differentiation in Slovakia.

The **institute’s own Sociológia journal** is also used as a publication outlet of researchers at the institute, whether in its Slovak or English language issues. However, the journal is more than an in-house publisher: it successfully attracts authors from other regional and international institutions, steadily increasing its position in international rankings and competitiveness. Papers co-authored by institute fellows constitute only 7.9% of the papers published in the evaluation period. Another evidence of the growing profile of the journal is visible in the constantly increasing number of submissions with an average of 110 submitted papers per year (the only exception was the pandemic year 2021). Approximately 30% of these were written by scholars from Slovakia – either in Slovak or in English. Thus, most of the submissions are from abroad, which shows that the journal is a recognized platform for sociologists and other social scientists in the Central European region with the largest contribution coming from Czech scholars amounting to almost 30% of submissions (with manuscripts either in Czech or in English). Other scholars who have published in *Sociológia*

in the evaluation period have been from Poland, Germany, Romania, Serbia, Lithuania, Spain and the Netherlands, but also from Argentina or South Africa. On average, there are around 26 studies published per year. Thus, the rejection rate is fairly high, at around 76%. Without over-emphasising the IF metrics, it can be noted that the impact factor of *Sociologia* has been rising steadily, **surpassing other sociology journals from the region**, with its all-time high of 0.796 in 2019. Currently, for 2021, it stands at 0.635. *Sociologia* therefore represents a journal with both national and international impact far beyond the Institute, not only in the field of sociology but also in related disciplines such as political science, geography, or anthropology.

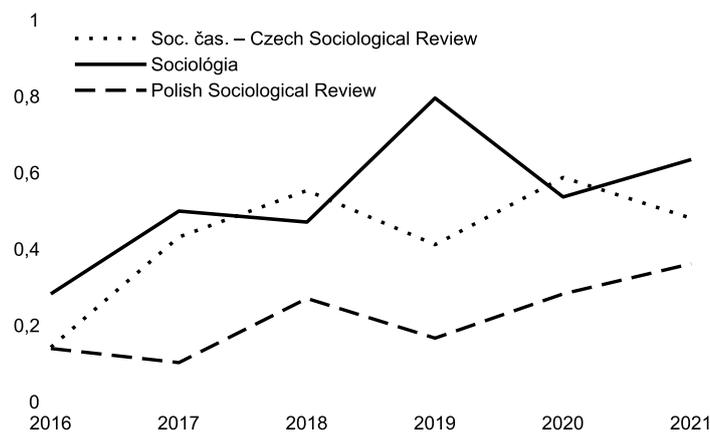
The Institute has continued its **international cooperation in the field of comparative sociology** through its active participation in the International Social Survey Programme (ISSP, <https://issp.org/>) and the European Values Study (EVS, <https://europeanvaluesstudy.eu/>).

The Institute is a long-term representative in both cooperations (1995 ISSP, 1999 EVS), which serve as bases for international project and publication collaboration within the region and internationally. Beyond fielding the national representative surveys, as a member of the respective “Drafting Group”, the Institute was

actively **involved in questionnaire development for the ISSP modules** of Family and Changing Gender Roles V (in 2019 to 2021) and National Identity & Citizenship (in 2020 to 2022). The Institute has also been a **member of the ISSP Standing Committee** (from 2016 to 2021) and the host of the ISSP 2022 drafting group meeting in 2020. In June 2022, the Institute hosted the ISSP general meeting in Bratislava and is a member of the Council of Program Directors of the European Values Survey. Besides comparative research under the auspices of major international cooperations, several joint Slovak and Czech surveys were conducted on the occasion of important anniversaries in the 2016 to 2021 period. These surveys were devoted to exploring the opinions and attitudes towards significant historical events and personalities in Czechoslovak history including the centennial of Czechoslovakia, eighty years since the Munich Agreement, seventy years since the rise of the communists to power in 1948, half a century since the Prague Spring in 1968 or thirty years since the Velvet Revolution in 1989.

The Institute's role as national service provider for the CESSDA ERIC social science data archives infrastructure represents another form of its international cooperation. By operating the Slovak Archive of Social Data (<http://sasd.sav.sk>), the Institute has allowed Slovakia to become a **founding member of the pan-European ESFRI infrastructure in 2017**. In the evaluation period, the archive has seen a gradual expansion of its datasets, driven by actively seeking out early post-1989 public opinion polls as well as via cooperation with public institutions and by including a large volume of its own COVID-19 related surveys. This rise has been accompanied by an increase in the number of data requests, which now amount to a few hundred per year.

Research pursued at the Institute has continued to generate societal impact which has materialized in **large numbers of media appearances and expert evaluations provided by the Institute's members**. From 2016 to 2021, experts from the Institute provided over 600 media appearances including international media outlets such as the Dutch NRC newspaper or the Austrian ORF public television station. As demonstrated by our four case studies, research and expertise provided by the institute have been successful at generating societal impact and public attention.



Impact factor of sociology journals in CEE region, 2016 - 2021

In this regard, the crisis caused by the **COVID-19 pandemic generated a vivid interest for sociological insights** into societal aspects of the pandemic. The Institute was well-positioned to answer these by forming a partnership with the Institute for Social Communication at SAS and two partners outside of academy (the MNForce research agency and the Seesame communication agency), which allowed the Institute to conduct monthly and bi-monthly surveys in 2020 and 2021 under the title “How are you, Slovakia?” This became a well-established source on general sentiment towards the pandemic, compliance with anti-pandemic measures, and insight regarding COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy in Slovakia. This partnership between two SAS institutes and the non-academic sphere was awarded the Počin roka [Act of the Year] prize in the PROKOP competition organized by the Association of public relations of the Slovak Republic in 2021. This cooperation also formed the basis for organizing the 2021 People and Society in Times of the Pandemic conference. The response to pandemic generated also new demand for expert knowledge of society. Several members of the Institute were invited to join various **governmental advisory committees** and interdisciplinary expert groups.

Last but not least, in the evaluation period, the Institute has participated in a dozen project applications in the Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe project schemes. Most notably, **three ERC starting grant applications were submitted** (two by core researchers at the institute and one by a SASPRO fellow), with **the most recent application successfully passing step 1 of the evaluation and being currently under evaluation in step 2**. Given the unfavorable situation in Slovakia, where since 2007 only two ERC grants have been awarded to scientists with an affiliation with a Slovak institution and almost no applications pass the first evaluation step, the success of our latest ERC application is a very promising development not only for our Institute, but for science in Slovakia, even beyond the field of sociology and social sciences.

## **2. Partial indicators of main activities:**

### **2.1. Research output**

#### **2.1.1. Principal types of research output of the institute: basic research/applied research, international/regional (in percentage)**

basic research/applied research 60 % – 40 %

international/regional 60 % – 40 %

#### **2.1.2 List of selected publications documenting the most important results of basic research. The total number of publications should not exceed the number of average FTE researchers per year. The principal research outputs (max. 10% of the total number of selected publications, including Digital Object Identifier – DOI if available) should be underlined. Authors from the evaluated organizations should be underlined.**

### **Scientific monographs**

AAB ČAMBÁLIKOVÁ, Monika - UHLEROVÁ, Monika. *Regionálny sociálny dialóg* [Regional social dialogue]. Recenzenti: Ján Králik, Eleonóra Kováčová. Bratislava : Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, 2021. 107 s. Available at: <https://library.fes.de/pdf-files/bueros/slowakei/18169.pdf>. ISBN 978-80-89149-93-3

AAA BAHNA, Miloslav - SEKULOVÁ, Martina. *Crossborder Care : Lessons from Central Europe*. Cham : Palgrave Macmillan, 2019. 149 p. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-97028-8>. ISBN 978-3-319-97027-1 (VEGA 2/0015/16 : *Bezhraničná starostlivosť?*)

Opatrovateľky zo Slovenska v Rakúsku = Borderless care? Care workers from Slovakia in Austria. APVV-14-0527 : EASTWESTCOMP - Medzi východom a západom, hodnotová integrácia alebo divergencia? Slovensko v medzinárodných komparatívnych výskumoch = Between East and West, Integration or Divergence of Values? Slovakia in Cross-National Comparative Research)

AAB LINDBLOOM, Jana. *Transformácia a zánik poľnohospodárskych družstiev* [The Transformation and Fall of Agricultural Cooperatives]. Recenzenti: Gejza Blaas, Anna Bandlerová. Bratislava : VEDA, 2019. 255 s. ISBN 978-80-224-1802-7 (Vega 2/0184/15 : Organizačné zmeny a organizácia zmeny = Organizational changes and the organization of change)

FAI *Oddelené spolu? : Česko a Slovensko optikou vývoje hodnôt po roce 1991* = Living apart together? Czechia and Slovakia through the lense of value development after 1991. Editori Ladislav Rabušic, Zuzana Kusá, Beatrice Chromková Manea, Katarína Strapcová. Bratislava : SLOVART, spol. s r. o., 2019. 428 s. ISBN 978-80-556-4590-2 (APVV-15-0653 : Hodnoty v dynamike spoločenských zmien na Slovensku a v Európe (HODYSE))

AAA SMITH, Simon. *Discussing the News : The Uneasy Alliance of Participatory Journalists and the Critical Public*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2017. 151 p. Available at: <<http://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9783319529646>>. ISBN 978-3-319-52964-6 (FP7-PEOPLE-2011-IEFG : Médiami umožnená e-participácia na Slovensku = Media-hosted eParticipation in Slovakia)

AAA TSILIMPOUNIDI, Myrto. *Sociology of Crisis : Visualising urban austerity*. Abingdon : Routledge, 2017. 191 p. Available at: <https://www.routledge.com/Sociology-of-Crisis-Visualising-Urban-Austerity/Tsilimpounidi/p/book/9781138839915>. ISBN 987-1-138-83991-5 (SASPRO 1176/02/03 : SocCrisis - Sociológia krízy: vizualizácia politiky škrtov v urbánnom priestore = Sociology of Crisis: Visualising Urban Austerity)

AAB GAJDOŠ, Peter - MORAVANSKÁ, Katarína. *Sídlný vývoj na Slovensku (1990-2014) a jeho sociálno-priestorové kontexty a dopady* [Settlement development in Slovakia (1990-2014) and its social-spatial context and implications]. Recenzenti Darina Lalíková, Ľubomír Falťan. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 245 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-94-3 (VEGA 2/0127/14 : Malé mestá na Slovensku a ich pozícia v meniacej sa sociálno-priestorovej situácii spoločnosti = Small Towns in Slovakia and Their Position in the Changing Socio-Spatial Situation of the Society)

AAB KUSÁ, Zuzana. *Škola nie je pre všetkých* [School is not for Everybody]. Recenzentky Naďa Bizová, Jurina Rusnáková. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 285 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-98-5 (Vega č. 2/0157/14 : Sociálna inklúzia v škole v pohľade sociológie každodennosti = Social Inclusion in School from the Perspective of Sociology of Everyday Life)

FAI *Príliš ľudská tvár socializmu? Reforma zdola a okolnosti reformného procesu v Československu 1968* [Socialism with Too Human a Face? Reform from Below and the Context of the Reform Process in Czechoslovakia, 1968]. Zostavovatelia Miroslav Tížik, Norbert Kmeť ; recenzenti Jan Mervart, Richard Pavlovič. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 715 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-97-8 (APVV-0627-12 : Demokratickosť a občania na Slovensku: polstoročie zmien = Democracy and Citizens in Slovakia: A Half-Century of Change)

## Chapters in scientific monographs

ABC TÍŽIK, Miroslav. Slovakia as a country without atheism but with a history of atheization. In *Freethought and Atheism in Central and Eastern Europe : The Development of Secularity and Non-Religion*. - Abingdon : Routledge, 2020, s. 258-283. ISBN 978-0-367-22631-2. (APVV-15-0653 : Hodnoty v dynamike spoločenských zmien na Slovensku a v Európe (HODYSE))

ABC ZAGRAPAN, Jozef. Slovakia. In *Thirty Years of Political Campaigning in Central and Eastern Europe*. - Cham : Palgrave Macmillan, 2019, p. 149-165. ISBN 978-3-030-27692-8. Available at: <https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007%2F978-3-030-27693-5.pdf>

ABC ZEMAN, Milan. Nové formy a trendy v trávení voľného času v Česku a na Slovensku [New forms and trends in leisure time in the Czech Republic and Slovakia]. In *Volný čas, spoločnosť, kultúra: Česko - Slovensko*. - Praha : Slon, 2019, s. 133-150. ISBN 978-80-7419-270-8. (APVV-16-0232 : Konzumná spoločnosť a konzumné regióny. Stratifikácia postkomunistickej spoločnosti)

AECA MIHÁLIKOVÁ, Silvia. Ein Image für eine Unbekannte Nation Erfinden? Der Fall Slowakei. In *Imaginäre Räume in Zentraleuropa : Kulturelle Transformationen, politische Repräsentationen und trans/nationale identitätsentwürfe*. - Herne : Gabriele Schäfer Verlag, 2019, s. 221-263. ISBN 978-3-9444-8766-3.

ABC LINDBLOOM, Jana. The Local Counterparts of Financialization: Organizational Accomplishments of Farm/land Investments and Sales. In *The Financialization of Agri-Food Systems*. - Abingdon : Routledge, 2018, p. 261-308. ISBN 978-1-13-806851-3. Available at: <https://www.routledge.com/The-Financialization-of-Agri-Food-Systems-Contested-Transformations/Bjorkhaug-Magnan-Lawrence/p/book/9781138068513>

## Scientific papers in journals

ADCA SPÁČ, Peter - VODA, Petr - ZAGRAPAN, Jozef. Does the freedom of information law increase transparency at the local level? Evidence from a field experiment. In *Government Information Quarterly*, 2018, vol. 35, p. 408-417. (2017: 4.009 - IF, Q1 - JCR, 1.321 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2018 - Current Contents). ISSN 0740-624X. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.giq.2018.05.003>

ADCA LUCZAJ, Kamil - BAHNA, Miloslav. Explaining the role of international scholars in semi-peripheries. Evidence from Slovakia. In *Studies in Higher Education*, 2020, vol. 45, no. 4, p. 706-722. (2019: 3.000 - IF, Q1 - JCR, 1.836 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2020 - Current Contents). ISSN 0307-5079. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1080/03075079.2018.1550744>

ADCA BAHNA, Miloslav. Study choices and returns of international students: On the role of cultural and economic capital of the family. In *Population, Space and Place*, 2018, vol. 24, no. 2, art. no. e2082. (2017: 2.439 - IF, Q1 - JCR, 1.425 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2018 - Current Contents). ISSN 1544-8444. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1002/psp.2082> (APVV-14-0527 : EASTWESTCOMP - Medzi východom a západom, hodnotová integrácia alebo divergencia? Slovensko v medzinárodných komparatívnych výskumoch = Between East and West, Integration or Divergence of Values? Slovakia in Cross-National Comparative Research)

ADCA SEKERÁKOVÁ BÚRIKOVÁ, Zuzana. Invisible in homes, visible in cities: visibility and dis/empowerment in paid domestic work in London. In *Gender, Place and Culture*, 2021, vol. 28, no. 12, p. 1695-1714. (2020: 2.032 - IF, Q2 - JCR, 0.998 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2021 - Current Contents). ISSN 0966-369X. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1080/0966369X.2020.1835832>

ADCA VAN DER HEIDE, Arjen - ŽELINSKÝ, Dominik. 'Level up your money game': an analysis of gamification discourse in financial services. In *Journal of Cultural Economy*, 2021, vol.

14, no. 6, p. 711-731. (2020: 1.959 - IF, Q1 - JCR, 0.804 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2021 - Current Contents). ISSN 1753-0350. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1080/17530350.2021.1882537>

ADDA KLOBUCKÝ, Robert. Obsahová analýza časopisu Sociológia po roku 1989. Príspevok k päťdesiatemu výročiu založenia časopisu = A Content Analysis of Sociológia/Slovak Sociological Review since 1989: A Com-memoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Journal [A Content Analysis of Sociológia/Slovak Sociological Review since 1989: A Com-memoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Journal]. In *Sociológia - Slovak Sociological Review*, 2019, roč. 51, č. 2, s. 179-197. (2018: 0.471 - IF, Q4 - JCR, 0.278 - SJR, Q2 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2019 - Current Contents). ISSN 0049-1225. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.31577/sociologia.2019.51.2.9> (APVV-14-0527 : EASTWESTCOMP - Medzi východom a západom, hodnotová integrácia alebo divergencia? Slovensko v medzinárodných komparatívnych výskumoch = Between East and West, Integration or Divergence of Values? Slovakia in Cross-National Comparative Research)

ADCB TÍŽIK, Miroslav. Religious Minority as a Source of National and State Identity: The Case of Slovakia. In *Studies in Religion*, 2021, vol. 50, no. 4, p. 513-538. (2020: 0.172 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2021 - Current Contents). ISSN 0008-4298. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1177/00084298211013304>

ADMB DRAŽKIEWICZ, Elżbieta - HARAMBAM, Jaron. What should academics do about conspiracy theories? Moving beyond debunking to better deal with conspiratorial movements, misinformation and post-truth. In *Journal for Cultural Research*, 2021, vol. 25, no. 1, p. 1-11. (2020: 0.159 - SJR, Q2 - SJR). ISSN 1479-7585. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1080/14797585.2021.1886420>

### 2.1.3 List of monographs/books published abroad

AAA BAHNA, Miloslav - SEKULOVÁ, Martina. *Crossborder Care : Lessons from Central Europe*. Cham : Palgrave Macmillan, 2019. 149 p. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-97028-8>

AAA PAP, András László. *Democratic Decline in Hungary : law and Society in an Illiberal Democracy*. Abingdon : Routledge, 2018. 176 p. Available at: <<https://www.routledge.com/Democratic-Decline-in-Hungary-Law-and-Society-in-an-Illiberal-Democracy/Pap/p/book/9781138052123>>. ISBN 978-1-13805-212-3

AAA SMITH, Simon. *Discussing the News : The Uneasy Alliance of Participatory Journalists and the Critical Public*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2017. 151 p. Available at: <<http://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9783319529646>>. ISBN 978-3-319-52964-6

AAA TSILIMPOUNIDI, Myrto. *Sociology of Crisis : Visualising urban austerity*. Abingdon : Routledge, 2017. 191 p. Available at: <<https://www.routledge.com/Sociology-of-Crisis-Visualising-Urban-Austerity/Tsilimpounidi/p/book/9781138839915>>. ISBN 987-1-138-83991-5

FAI *Graffiti and Street Art : Reading, Writing and Representing the City*. Edited by Konstantinos Avramidis, Myrto Tsilimpounidi. Abingdon : Routledge, 2017. 282 p. Available at: <<https://www.routledge.com/Graffiti-and-Street-Art-Reading-Writing-and-Representing-the-City/Avramidis-Tsilimpounidi/p/book/9781472473332>>. ISBN 978-1-4724-7333-2

FAI *Dynamika miestnej spoločnosti v globalizácii : výsledky sociologického výskumu v troch mestách na Slovensku* [Dynamics of local society in globalization: results of sociological research in three cities in Slovakia]. Akihiro Ishikawa, Masamichi Sasaki,

Ľubomír Falťan (eds.). Tokio : Inštitút spoločenských vied Chuo university v Tokiu, 2016. 533 s. ISBN 978-4-8057-1334-1

FAI TAMÁS, G.M. *K filozofii socializmu* [On the Philosophy of Socialism] ; Edited by Joseph Grim Feinberg, Pavel Siostrzonek. Praha : Filosofia, 2016. 242 s. ISBN 978-80-7007-453-4

#### 2.1.4. List of monographs/books published in Slovakia

AAB BAHNA, Miloslav - HOFREITER, Roman - GYÁRFÁŠOVÁ, Olga - ZAGRAPAN, Jozef. *Medzi Východom a Západom : prípad Slovensko* [Between East and West: the case of Slovakia]. Recenzenti Roman Džambazovič, Robert Klobucký, Ivan Chorvát, Daniel Gerbery, Silvia Miháliková, Peter Spáč. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2021. 224 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-30-8

AAB ČAMBÁLIKOVÁ, Monika - UHLEROVÁ, Monika. *Regionálny sociálny dialóg* [Regional social dialogue]. Recenzenti: Ján Králik, Eleonóra Kováčová. Bratislava : Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, 2021. 107 s. Available at: <<https://library.fes.de/pdf-files/bueros/slowakei/18169.pdf>>. ISBN 978-80-89149-93-3

AAB KUSÁ, Zuzana. *Práca na podloženej teórii v kvalitatívnom výskume* [Work on Grounded Theory in Qualitative Research]. Recenzenti: Gizela Brutovská, Daniel Gerbery. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2021. 129 s. Available at: <[http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/3219\\_attach\\_Praca\\_na\\_podlozenej\\_teorii\\_Kusa\\_2021\\_fulltext.pdf](http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/3219_attach_Praca_na_podlozenej_teorii_Kusa_2021_fulltext.pdf)>. ISBN 978-80-89897-29-2

AAB KRIŽAN, František - BILKOVÁ, Kristína - HENCELOVÁ, Petra - DANIELOVÁ, Katarína - ČULÁKOVÁ, Katarína - ZEMAN, Milan. *Nákupné správanie spotrebiteľov na Slovensku vybrané kapitoly* [Consumer shopping behaviour in Slovakia selected chapters]. 1. vyd. Bratislava : Univerzita Komenského v Bratislave vo vydavateľstve UK, 2020. 134 s. ISBN 978-80-223-5070-9

AAB FALŤAN, Ľubomír - FALŤANOVÁ, Ľubica. *Vidiecke spoločenstvo na Slovensku – podoby a dilemy* [Rural community in Slovakia - forms and dilemmas]. Recenzenti Daniel Luther, Stanislav Buchta. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2019. 223 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-09-4

AAB GAJDOŠ, Peter - MORAVANSKÁ, Katarína. *Sociálna marginalita území na Slovensku a jej vývojové zmeny* [Social Marginality of Regions in Slovakia and its Changes] . Recenzenti: Anton Michálek, Roman Džambazovič. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2019. 185 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-16-2

AAB GAJDOŠ, Peter - MORAVANSKÁ, Katarína. *Suburbanizácia na Slovensku : Vývojové zmeny a sociálno-priestorové dopady* [Suburbanization in Slovakia: Developmental Changes and Socio-spatial Impacts] . Recenzenti: Gabriela Repaská, Mária Strussová. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2019. 141 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-070

AAB LINDBLOOM, Jana. *Transformácia a zánik poľnohospodárskych družstiev* [The Transformation and Fall of Agricultural Cooperatives]. Recenzenti: Gejza Blaas, Anna Bandlerová. Bratislava : VEDA, 2019. 255 s. ISBN 978-80-224-1802-7

AAB FEINBERG, Joseph Grim. *Vrátiť folklór ľuďom* [Return Folklore to the People]. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2018. 270 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-05-6

AAB BÚZIK, Bohumil. *Modernizácia a jej vzkriesenie na slovenský spôsob* [Modernisation and the Slovak Way of its Resurrection]. Recenzenti Dilbar Alieva, Ján Sopóci. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 301 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-85-5

AAB FALŤAN, Ľubomír - STRUSSOVÁ, Mária. *Mikroregionálna a euroregionálna spolupráca obcí na Slovensku* [Microregional and Euroregional cooperation of municipalities in Slovakia]. Recenzenti Ľudmila Malíková, Stanislav Konečný. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 169 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-00-1

AAB GAJDOŠ, Peter - MORAVANSKÁ, Katarína. *Sídlný vývoj na Slovensku (1990-2014) a jeho sociálno-priestorové kontexty a dopady* [Settlement development in Slovakia (1990-2014) and its social-spatial context and implications]. Recenzenti Darina Lalíková, Ľubomír Falťan. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 245 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-94-3

AAB KLOBUCKÝ, Robert. *Nelegálne drogy a drogová politika na Slovensku* [Illicit drugs and drug policy in Slovakia] [elektronický zdroj]. Recenzenti: Gabriela Lubelcová, Andrej Findor. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 105 s. Available at: <<http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/publikacie.php?id=2542>>. ISBN 978-80-89897-03-2

AAB KUSÁ, Zuzana. *Škola nie je pre všetkých* [School is not for Everybody]. Recenzentky Naďa Bizová, Jurina Rusnáková. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 285 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-98-5

FAI *Anatómia revolúcie: Historické poučenia a sociologické analýzy*. [Anatomy of Revolution. Historical Lectures and Sociological Analyses [elektronický zdroj]. Editorka: Dilbar Alieva. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2020. 159 s. Available at: <[http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/3146\\_attach\\_anatomia\\_revolucie\\_2020.pdf](http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/3146_attach_anatomia_revolucie_2020.pdf)> ISBN 978-80-89897-21-6

FAI *Dilemmas of Worldview, Atheism and Religious Belief in Slovakia. On Overcoming and Researching Religion in Slovak Sociology in the Second Half of the 20th Century*. Miroslav Tížik, Ľubomír Sivák (eds.). Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2019. 308 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-14-8

FAI *Slovensko na hodnotových mapách : názory slovenskej verejnosti v kontexte medzinárodného komparatívneho výskumu ISSP* [Slovakia on Value Maps: Opinion of the Slovak Public in the Context of ISSP International Comparative Research]. [elektronický zdroj]. Miloslav Bahna (editor). Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2019. 80 s. Available at: [http://sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/3103\\_attach\\_Slovensko\\_na\\_hodnotovych\\_mapach\\_2019.pdf](http://sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/3103_attach_Slovensko_na_hodnotovych_mapach_2019.pdf). ISBN 978-80-89897-11-7

FAI *Odděleně spolu? : Česko a Slovensko optikou vývoje hodnot po roce 1991 = Living apart together? Czechia and Slovakia through the lense of value development after 1991*. Editori Ladislav Rabušic, Zuzana Kusá, Beatrice Chromková Manea, Katarína Strapcová. Bratislava : SLOVART, spol. s r. o., 2019. 428 s. ISBN 978-80-556-4590-2

FAI *Diaries of Sociologists 2 : Róbert Roško 1963-1995*. Editors Ľudovít Turčan, Robert Klobucký. Bratislava : Institute for Sociology of SAS, 2019. 340 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-12-4

FAI *Slovenské voľby 2016: retrospektívne analýzy. analýzy [Slovak Elections 2016: Analyses in Retrospect]*. Editor Vladimír Krivý ; recenzenti: Karen Henderson, Tibor Madleňák. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2018. 262 s. ISBN 978-80-89897-08-7

FAI *Príliš ľudská tvár socializmu? Reforma zdola a okolnosti reformného procesu v Československu 1968* [Socialism with Too Human a Face? Reform from Below and the

Context of the Reform Process in Czechoslovakia, 1968]. Zostavovatelia Miroslav Tížik, Norbert Kmet' ; recenzenti Jan Mervart, Richard Pavlovič. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 715 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-97-8

FAI *Sociológia a každodennosť. Pocta dielu Dilbar Alievy. [Sociology and Everyday Life. Tribute to the Work of Dilbar Alieva].* Zostavovateľka Zuzana Kusá ; recenzentky Silvia Miháliková, Katarína Strapcová. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 252 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-90-9

- 2.1.5. List of other scientific outputs specifically important for the institute, max. 10 items for institute with less than 50 average FTE researchers per year, 20 for institutes with 50 – 100 average FTE researchers per year and so on**

***Restoration and archiving of early post-1989 public opinion polls data*** (10 previously un-archived datasets fielded between 1991 and 1997 were documented and made available via the Slovak Archive of Social Data)

***COVID-19 survey data made available for research purposes*** (the largest collection of pandemic related public opinion data in Slovakia from the How are you Slovakia and other pandemic-related research )

***Two joint Slovak and Czech surveys*** exploring the opinions and attitudes of the population towards significant historical events and personalities in our history.

- 2.1.6. List of patents, patent applications, and other intellectual property rights registered abroad**

- 2.1.7. List of patents, patent applications, and other intellectual property rights registered in Slovakia**

- 2.1.8. Narrative on the most important research outputs of the institute – especially focused on their importance for society (3-5 pages)**

The following most important research outputs are structured by their respective research areas (the post-communist transformation of society, information and education, visual sociology, the sociology of religion, the sociology of finance and economics, and the sociology of migration). See chapter 2.1.2. for the full bibliographic data of these publications.

The largest group of outputs is devoted to the broad issue of **the post-communist transformation of society**.

The book [\*Living apart together? Czechia and Slovakia through the lense of value development after 1991.\*](#) provides the first systematic comparison of the development of value orientations related to family, work, religion, solidarity, politics and the public sphere in Czechia and Slovakia since the split of the common state. The majority of its chapters are co-authored by Slovak and Czech sociologists who analyze the data from the four European Values Study surveys (1991, 1999, 2008 and 2017) in both countries. The book is important source for wider public reflections on “who we are” and how economic, political and cultural contexts might shape our values.

The book also draws public attention to role of public (political) discourse in the increase of intolerance to foreigners and minorities in all age groups in Czechia and Slovakia as the

2008 - 2017 increase cannot be explained by worsening or uncertainty of living conditions or a decline in education of population.

[Settlement development in Slovakia \(1990-2014\) and its social-spatial contexts and implications](#) is a book by Peter Gajdoš and Katarína Moravanská which analyses the regional and settlement situation in Slovakia between 1990 and 2015. This work builds on the results of projects carried out at the Institute for Sociology in the last 15 to 20 years in the field of regional development. The authors point to diverse socio-spatial processes that have led to current regional disparities. The findings highlight current trends in both differentiating and convergent processes in regional development. Despite some partial counterbalancing of regional differences, the authors identified the types of municipalities and entire regions that most suffer from difficult social and development conditions. The books focus on spatial sociology are among the most cited outputs of the Institute (see section 2.2.3.). References to this work are not only from academic research but can be found also in development and strategic documents of municipalities and regions. This publication has also found application by various government bodies and public administration.

[The Transformation and Fall of Agricultural Cooperatives](#) by Jana Lindbloom is a thorough study of the complex process of the transformation of post-socialist agricultural cooperatives in Slovakia. It recounts the whole period from 1989 to the present. The book's main ambition is to provide detailed answers to the questions of ordinary people (many of them former shareholders) about what actually happened to and in cooperatives. This monograph has been awarded for both its national legacy value (the Slovak Literary Fund Award) as well for its sociological quality (the Award of the Slovak Sociological Society). This study of cooperatives has gained attention both in Slovakia (multiple reviews in scientific journals) and abroad (e.g. a fully funded visiting-scholar stay at the Université Clermont Auvergne in Clermont-Ferrand, France in 2019).

Jozef Zagrapan contributed a chapter to the book [Thirty Years of Political Campaigning in Central and Eastern Europe](#). The text provides an overview of the main characteristics of the political system, electoral laws, and campaign legislation and highlights the most important political events and turning points in eighteen former communist countries of Eastern and Central Europe. It also examines the development and evolution of parties' agendas and strategies, as well as the tools used during political campaigns over the last thirty years – from the first democratic elections in 1990 up to the most recent trends. The book provides a significant contribution to an understudied research area in the region and presents a valuable resource for researchers of political communications and similar fields.

Other studies in the field of post-communist transformation are devoted to the development of science. In the study ["A Content Analysis of Sociológia/Slovak Sociological Review since 1989"](#) Robert Klo Buckley presents the structure of authors and themes in the main Slovak sociological journal *Sociológia / Slovak Sociological Review* in a temporal perspective. The author notes a large range of metareflection on sociology itself and on some nationally-specific themes like the transformation of the society or the history of Slovak sociology (mostly in the 90's). Recent developments suggest the popularity of other themes including political sociology, the sociology of education or sociological theory.

Miloslav Bahna (with Kamil Luczaj, a visiting scholar at the Institute) examines mechanisms behind the internationalization of Slovak universities in the article ["Explaining the role of international scholars in semi-peripheries. Evidence from Slovakia"](#) published in *Studies in Higher Education*, a top-tier journal in the field. Framing the Slovak academic milieu as a global academic semi-periphery, Bahna and Luczaj find that the growing internationalization of universities in Slovakia can be primarily explained by staff shortages and is occurring mostly at the less-prestigious universities in Slovakia. This adds a new angle to the study of internationalization of tertiary education which is, when studied in the global academic centers, usually connected with academic excellence. The article was awarded a premium by the Slovak Academy of Sciences in 2021.

The second group of studies addresses the **broad issue of (mis)information and education in society.**

The book *[Discussing the News: The Uneasy Alliance of Participatory Journalists and the Critical Public](#)* by Simon Smith published by Palgrave Macmillan in 2017 is the outcome of the project "Media-hosted eParticipation in Slovakia", financed by the Marie Curie Intra-European Fellowship. It analyses the new roles that journalists assume in a participatory media environment where online discussions serve as relevant intermediaries in public democratic political participation. This book offers both a profound theoretical and methodological background as well as practical and insightful findings from empirical ethnographic fieldwork conducted in the newsrooms of two daily newspapers – or more precisely, their web portals.



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## Study conspiracy theories with compassion

 The societal forces that drive people to join a belief system matter more than the specifics of what they believe.

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*Elzbieta Drazkiewicz from the Institute writing about her research of conspiracy theories in a commissioned contribution in the World View section of the Nature journal*

various disciplines. Its success is reflected by the fact that the articles in this issue are among the most read in the journal. This research led to a commissioned contribution on studying conspiracy theories by Elzbieta Drazkiewicz in the [World View section of the Nature journal](#).

Jozef Zagraban is the co-author (with Peter Spáč and Petr Voda) of the study "[Does the freedom of information law increase transparency at the local level? Evidence from a field experiment.](#)" The study, the first of its kind in Slovakia, focuses on the question of whether freedom of information laws increase transparency at the local level. The paper's uniqueness – even compared to similar research in other countries – lies in the fact that it studies all of the municipalities in the country (2927 in Slovakia). Results show that the type of information request influences responses from the municipalities. The highest chance to obtain an answer occurs when the Freedom of Information law is specifically mentioned in the request. These results imply an important lesson for citizens, who should not consider the existence of the FOI Act in a country as an automatic guarantee that public bodies operate in a transparent fashion. The 2018 paper, published in the highly-refereed *Government Information Quarterly*, has 32 citations in Google Scholar thus far.

The book [School is not for Everybody](#) by Zuzana Kusá offers intimate insights on the everyday life of Roma children and children with special educational needs in Slovak schools. It is based on ethnographic observation and in-depth interviews with pupils, teachers, parents and other stakeholders of education collected during the years 2008 – 2015. The book identifies insufficient support of educational inclusion of minority children and a lack of commitment on the part of the educators to cultivate and promote solidarity and equality as principles of interactions among classmates. The book has received a

positive response among experts struggling for improving inclusion in the Slovak education system and serves to strengthen and justify their arguments.

The next group of three texts is devoted to **visual sociology** and **the visible aspects of social life**.

The book [\*Sociology of Crisis : Visualising urban austerity\*](#) by Myrto Tsilimpounidi demonstrates how sociologists and social scientists must develop new approaches to examine rapid shifts in the social landscape, since crisis is not merely reflected in balance sheets, but is mediated through the imagery of loss, deprivation and increased vectors of marginalisation. A timely engagement with the problem of crisis at a macro-level and in dialogue with the everyday experiences of crisis on a micro-level, this interdisciplinary title appeals to students and scholars interested in sociology, social policy, geography, urban studies and research methods in social science. *Sociology of Crisis* has been listed as a 'leading handbook in the field' in the Routledge 'Advancements of Sociology' series. The publication was awarded the Prize for the Popularisation of Science by the Slovak Academy of Sciences in 2017.

In her study "[Invisible in homes, visible in cities: visibility and dis/empowerment in paid domestic work in London](#)," Zuzana Sekeráková Búriková connects theories related to visibility and social recognition, debates on cities as public places enabling political action, and paid domestic work. The article analyzes how various aspects of being visible or invisible relate to the empowerment, disempowerment, and resistance of paid domestic workers. The article argues that these spaces are interconnected and that their meanings and usages are relational, depending upon each other. On a more abstract level, the material provided demonstrates numerous ways in which both social recognition and (in)visibility intersect and how various actors (i.e. host families and au pairs) actively use visibility and invisibility to achieve their aims. It demonstrates that host families invisibilize au pairs and their work in order to both diminish their role in children's lives and secure the myth of the exclusivity of the nuclear family. Au pairs counter this process of invisibilization by making themselves visible in their rooms and in the city.

Silvia Miháliková in her study "[Inventing an Image for an Unknown Nation? The case of Slovakia \[Ein Image für eine Unbekannte Nation Erfinden? Der Fall Slowakei.\]](#)" argues that Slovakia's place or even the very existence of the Slovak nation in the Central European cultural and intellectual community has been a volatile issue throughout Slovak history. Such a discussion features misuse of arguments derived from history: politicians and intellectuals distort history, enlisting personalities, events and symbols for their own purposes. Arguments derived from different historical periods are used in order to explain and support today's politics, showing who are and always have been our enemies. The performance of ancient and modern history is perceived as a contemporary issue. History is thus used in a horizontal way, for manipulation and even mass mobilisation. In order to shape national memory after 1989, and even more after gaining independence in 1993, the ruling political elite in Slovakia sought to create a convincing popular narrative linking the 'acceptable' past with the reconstructed post-communist state.

The **sociology of religion** is represented by two texts by Miroslav Tížík.

The chapter "[Slovakia as a country without atheism but with a history of atheization](#)," which is part of an edited volume on the history, development and transformations of freethought and atheism in Central and Eastern Europe published by Rutledge, is focused on the particular case of Slovakia in its historical context. Although there have been many secular humanist and freethought associations and movements in Slovak history, and although the state enacted a strong anti-church policy in the period of 1948 – 1989, these did not exert a significant influence on the general religious affiliation of the population. The text focuses on intellectual movements and on the influence of intellectual leaders in the spread of freethought, atheist and humanist thinking in various historical periods.

The article "[Religious Minority as a Source of National and State Identity: The Case of Slovakia](#)," focuses on the analysis of the role of churches and political figures in the creation of the national movement and national mythology. In Slovakia, Lutherans, in spite of making up only a small proportion of the Slovak population, have been one of the two fundamental sources of the national movement in the last two centuries. The article shows how the contemporary character of the state, society, and national identity and its relation to religion is influenced by the bi-confessionalism of the Slovak national movement, which was initiated by Slovak Lutherans in the eighteenth century. Although the Lutheran religious minority has been dwindling since 1990, the article shows how its heritage is still present in the character of contemporary institutions of national tradition and identity.

Two texts in our selection of the most significant results are devoted to the **sociology of finance and economics**.

The chapter "[The Local Counterparts of Financialization: Organizational Accomplishments of Farm/land Investments and Sales](#)" by Jana Lindbloom is a commissioned contribution to an international monograph on the current topic of the financialization of the global economy, in this case, agri-food systems and agricultural land. This monograph, edited by the leading scholars in the area and published in Routledge, is an outcome of discussions at international conferences. The book aims to provide detailed insights into the transformation of farmland relations and the agri-food sector in virtually all continents. The chapter on these developments in Slovakia explains the mechanisms of financial capital entry and the procedures of farm and land acquisitions by domestic, international or institutional financial investors. The intriguing particularities of Slovak circumstances and especially the attempts to legislatively offset the impact of financialization, resulted in an invitation to present the findings at the "Scottish Land Reform in a Global Context: knowledge exchange workshop" organized by the Scottish Land Commission of the Scottish Government and James Hutton Institute in Aberdeen in 2019. Thus, this study helped to shape policies and legislation regarding property relations to land not only in Slovakia but in other countries as well.

The study by Dominik Želinský (with Arjen van der Heide) "['Level up your money game': an analysis of gamification discourse in financial services](#)," deals with how the idea of gamification, or the implementation of game-like elements and mechanisms in non-game contexts, has, throughout the past decade, swept the fields of healthcare and fitness as well as education. More recently, various tech writers, bloggers, and consultants have begun proposing gamification as a solution in financial services as well. For instance, gamification has already made headway through day-trading apps that simplify trading and turn it into a real-time game. The article examines the emerging discourse of financial gamification and situates it within the dynamics of expectations and performative struggles that are shaping technological developments in finance and the FinTech industry. However, despite the promises of financial gamification to democratize finance and empower retail investors by expanding access to financial markets, Želinský argues that the discourse of financial gamification ultimately reinforces the "observational boundaries" between finance and society.

**The sociology of migration** is represented by two publications by Miloslav Bahna.

Miloslav Bahna is the first author (with Martina Sekulová) of the 2019 book *Crossborder Care : Lessons from Central Europe* published by Palgrave Macmillan. The monograph presents a study of the topic of cross border care between Austria and Slovakia as a special case of the commodification of care. The book has been awarded the status of an outstanding monograph by the Slovak Academy of Sciences and has been awarded in the Alexander Hirner competition for the best sociological work in 2020. The book has been reviewed four times and received considerable media attention at its presentation in early 2019. Bahna has been repeatedly approached as an expert on the topic by scholars and experts from Austria and Hungary and has also participated in an evaluation of training provided to Slovak care workers by the Austrian Chamber of Commerce.

The article "Study choices and returns of international students: On the role of cultural and economic capital of the family" represents the first of a series of articles by Miloslav Bahna on the highly topical issue of international student mobility from Slovakia (a country with the second highest share of tertiary students studying abroad in the OECD). Uniquely connecting information on the students' families, place of study and post-graduation stays and returns two years after graduation, Bahna offers new insights on the role of the cultural and economic capital of student families in post-graduation decision making. This article is one of the most cited 2018 articles of the *Population, Space and Place* journal. Findings from the study were presented in Slovak daily *Dennik N* and are referenced in analyses of the Institute of Education Politics at the Slovak Ministry of Education.

### **2.1.9. Table of research outputs**

Papers from international collaborations in large-scale scientific projects (Dwarf team, ALICE Collaboration, ATLAS collaboration, CD Collaboration, H1 Collaboration, HADES Collaboration, and STAR Collaboration) have to be listed separately

Scientific publications	2016			2017			2018			2019			2020			2021			total			
	number	No. / FTE researches	No. / one million total salary budget	number	No. / FTE researches	No. / one million total salary budget	number	No. / FTE researches	No. / one million total salary budget	number	No. / FTE researches	No. / one million total salary budget	number	No. / FTE researches	No. / one million total salary budget	number	No. / FTE researches	No. / one million total salary budget	number	averaged number per year	av. No. / FTE researches	av. No. / one million total salary budget
Scientific monographs and monographic studies in journals and proceedings published abroad (AAA, ABA)	0	0,000	0,000	2	0,122	3,571	1	0,064	2,227	1	0,073	1,946	0	0,000	0,000	0	0,000	0,000	4	0,667	0,042	1,268
Scientific monographs and monographic studies in journals and proceedings published in Slovakia (AAB, ABB)	5	0,294	9,634	0	0,000	0,000	1	0,064	2,227	4	0,293	7,782	1	0,061	1,733	3	0,197	5,597	14	2,333	0,149	4,437
Chapters in scientific monographs published abroad (ABC)	6	0,353	11,561	4	0,244	7,143	3	0,191	6,682	2	0,147	3,891	2	0,123	3,466	1	0,066	1,866	18	3,000	0,191	5,705
Chapters in scientific monographs published in Slovakia (ABD)	5	0,294	9,634	2	0,122	3,571	2	0,128	4,454	14	1,027	27,237	2	0,123	3,466	0	0,000	0,000	25	4,167	0,265	7,924
Scientific papers published in journals registered in Current Contents Connect (ADCA, ADCB, ADDA, AADB)	3	0,177	5,780	4	0,244	7,143	5	0,319	11,136	5	0,367	9,728	7	0,430	12,132	6	0,393	11,194	30	5,000	0,318	9,509
Scientific papers published in journals registered in Web of Science Core Collection and SCOPUS not listed above (ADMA, ADMB, ADNA, ADNBN)	2	0,118	3,854	5	0,305	8,929	0	0,000	0,000	0	0,000	0,000	5	0,307	8,666	2	0,131	3,731	14	2,333	0,149	4,437
Scientific papers published in other foreign journals (not listed above) (ADEA, ADEB)	1	0,059	1,927	2	0,122	3,571	0	0,000	0,000	1	0,073	1,946	2	0,123	3,466	0	0,000	0,000	6	1,000	0,064	1,902
Scientific papers published in other domestic journals (not listed above) (ADFA, ADFB)	0	0,000	0,000	0	0,000	0,000	2	0,128	4,454	1	0,073	1,946	4	0,246	6,932	1	0,066	1,866	8	1,333	0,085	2,536
Scientific papers published in foreign peer-reviewed proceedings (AECA)	1	0,059	1,927	1	0,061	1,786	1	0,064	2,227	1	0,073	1,946	0	0,000	0,000	0	0,000	0,000	4	0,667	0,042	1,268
Scientific papers published in domestic peer-reviewed proceedings (AEDA)	4	0,236	7,707	0	0,000	0,000	10	0,638	22,272	8	0,587	15,564	1	0,061	1,733	1	0,066	1,866	24	4,000	0,255	7,607
Published papers (full text) from foreign scientific conferences (AFA, AFC)	0	0,000	0,000	0	0,000	0,000	0	0,000	0,000	1	0,073	1,946	0	0,000	0,000	0	0,000	0,000	1	0,167	0,011	0,317
Published papers (full text) from domestic scientific conferences (AFB, AFD)	3	0,177	5,780	0	0,000	0,000	2	0,128	4,454	1	0,073	1,946	5	0,307	8,666	1	0	2	12	2	0	4

## 2.2. Measures of research outputs (citations, etc.)

### 2.2.1. Table with citations per annum (without self-citations)

*Citations of papers from international collaborations in large-scale scientific projects (Dwarf team, ALICE Collaboration, ATLAS collaboration, CD Collaboration, H1 Collaboration, HADES Collaboration, and STAR Collaboration) are listed separately*

Citations, reviews	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		total		
	number	No. / FTE researchers	number	averaged number per year	av. No. / FTE researchers										
Citations in Web of Science Core Collection (1.1, 2.1)	58	3,42	73	4,46	63	4,02	108	7,92	127	7,80	82	5,37	<b>511</b>	<b>85,17</b>	<b>5,42</b>
Citations in SCOPUS (1.2, 2.2) if not listed above	12	0,71	11	0,67	12	0,77	15	1,10	21	1,29	31	2,03	<b>102</b>	<b>17,00</b>	<b>1,08</b>
Citations in other citation indexes and databases (not listed above) (3.2,4.2)	16	0,94	0	0,00	1	0,06	0	0,00	0	0,00	0	0,00	<b>17</b>	<b>2,83</b>	<b>0,18</b>
Other citations (not listed above) (3.1, 4.1)	60	3,53	146	8,91	81	5,17	131	9,61	120	7,37	83	5,44	<b>621</b>	<b>103,50</b>	<b>6,59</b>
Reviews (5,6)	2	0,12	5	0,31	7	0,45	5	0,37	7	0,43	8	0,52	<b>34</b>	<b>5,67</b>	<b>0,36</b>

## 2.2.2. List of 10 most-cited publications published any time with the address of the institute, with number of citations in the assessment period (2015 – 2020)

ADC VOICU, Malina - VOICU, Bogdan - STRAPCOVÁ, Katarína. Housework and Gender Inequality in European Countries. In *European Sociological Review*, 2009, vol. 25, no. 3, p. 365-377. (2008: 0.816 - IF, Q2 - JCR, 1.632 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2009 - Current Contents). ISSN 0266-7215. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1093/esr/jcn054>

**35 citations**

AAB TÍŽIK, Miroslav. *Náboženstvo vo verejnom živote na Slovensku : Zápasy o ideový charakter štátu a spoločnosti* [Religion in Public Life in Slovakia. Struggles for the Ideological Character]. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2011. 423 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-72-5

**31 citations**

AAA PAP, András László. *Democratic Decline in Hungary : law and Society in an Illiberal Democracy*. Abingdon : Routledge, 2018. 176 p. Available at: <<https://www.routledge.com/Democratic-Decline-in-Hungary-Law-and-Society-in-an-Illiberal-Democracy/Pap/p/book/9781138052123>>. ISBN 978-1-13805-212-3

**30 citations**

AAA DVOŘÁČKOVÁ, Jana - PABIAN, Petr - SMITH, Simon - STÖCKELOVÁ, Tereza - ŠIMA, Karel - VIRTOVÁ, Tereza. *Politika a každodennost na českých vysokých školách : etnografické pohledy na vzdělávání a výzkum* [Politics and everydayness in Czech universities: ethnographic perspectives on education and research]. Praha : SLON, 2014. 267 s. ISBN 978-80-7419-171-8

**26 citations**

FAI *Graffiti and Street Art : Reading, Writing and Representing the City*. Edited by Konstantinos Avramidis, Myrto Tsilimpounidi. Abingdon : Routledge, 2017. 282 p. Available at: <<https://www.routledge.com/Graffiti-and-Street-Art-Reading-Writing-and-Representing-the-City/Avramidis-Tsilimpounidi/p/book/9781472473332>>. ISBN 978-1-4724-7333-2

**25 citations**

ADMB BAHNA, Miloslav. Slovak Care Workers in Austria: How Important Is the Context of the Sending Country? In *Journal of Contemporary European Studies*, 2014, vol. 22, no. 4, p. 411-426. (2013: 0.313 - SJR, Q1 - SJR). ISSN 1478-2804. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1080/14782804.2014.902365>

**21 citations**

AAB BAHNA, Miloslav. *Migrácia zo Slovenska po vstupe do Európskej únie. [Migration from Slovakia after Accession to the European Union]*. Vyd. 1. Bratislava : Veda, 2011. 219 s. ISBN 978-80-224-1196-7

**20 citations**

ADCA BAHNA, Miloslav. Victims of Care Drain and Transnational Partnering? : Slovak female elder care workers in Austria. In *European Societies*, 2015, vol. 17, no. 4, p. 447-466. (2014: 0.750 - IF, Q3 - JCR, 0.913 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2015 - Current Contents). ISSN 1461-6696. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1080/14616696.2015.1051074>

**20 citations**

AAB KRIVÝ, Vladimír - FEGLOVÁ, Viera - BALKO, Daniel. *Slovensko a jeho regióny : sociokultúrne súvislosti volebného správania. [Slovakia and its Regions: Socio-*

*cultural Correlates of Electoral Behavior*]. Bratislava : Médiá, 1996. 414 s. ISBN 80-967525-1-0

**17 citations**

AAB GAJDOŠ, Peter - MORAVANSKÁ, Katarína. *Suburbanizácia a jej podoby na Slovensku* [Suburbanisation and Its Patterns in Slovakia]. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2011. 205 s. Dostupné na:

[http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/1649\\_attach\\_Suburbanizacia\\_a\\_jej\\_podoby\\_na\\_Slovensku.pdf](http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/1649_attach_Suburbanizacia_a_jej_podoby_na_Slovensku.pdf)

**17 citations**

### **2.2.3. List of 10 most-cited publications published any time with the address of the institute, with number of citations obtained until 2020**

AAB GAJDOŠ, Peter. *Človek - spoločnosť - prostredie : vybrané problémy priestorovej sociológie* [People - Society - Environment: Selected Problems of Spatial Sociology]. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2002. 374 s. ISBN 80-855444-15-6

**82 citations**

AAB GAJDOŠ, Peter - PAŠIAK, Ján. *Regionálny rozvoj Slovenska z pohľadu priestorovej sociológie* [Regional Development of Slovakia from the Point of View of Spatial Sociology]. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV : UNESCO NK MOST, 2006. 252 s. ISBN 80-85544-46-6

**64 citations**

AAB FALŤAN, Ľubomír - GAJDOŠ, Peter - PAŠIAK, Ján. *Sociálna marginalita územia Slovenska* [Social marginality of Slovakia's territory]. Bratislava : SPACE, 1995. 223 s. ISBN 80-967-403-1-8

**57 citations**

AAB KRIVÝ, Vladimír - FEGLOVÁ, Viera - BALKO, Daniel. *Slovensko a jeho regióny : sociokultúrne súvislosti volebného správania. [Slovakia and its Regions: Socio-cultural Correlates of Electoral Behavior]*. Bratislava : Médiá, 1996.

**51 citations**

AAB TÍŽIK, Miroslav. *Náboženstvo vo verejnom živote na Slovensku : Zápasy o ideový charakter štátu a spoločnosti* [Religion in Public Life in Slovakia. Struggles for the Ideological Character]. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2011. 423 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-72-5

**47 citations**

FAI *Regionálny rozvoj Slovenska : východiská a súčasný stav* [Regional Development of Slovakia: Solutions and present situation]. Editori Ľubomír Falťan, Ján Pašiak. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2004. 88 s. ISBN 80-85544-35-0

**47 citations**

ADCA VOICU, Malina - VOICU, Bogdan - STRAPCOVÁ, Katarína. Housework and Gender Inequality in European Countries. In *European Sociological Review*, 2009, vol. 25, no. 3, p. 365-377. (2008: 0.816 - IF, Q2 - JCR, 1.632 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, Current Contents - CCC). (2009 - Current Contents). ISSN 0266-7215. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1093/esr/jcn054>

**46 citations**

AAB KLOBUCKÝ, Robert. *Hlasistické hnutie: národ a sociológia : začiatky sociologického myslenia na Slovensku*. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2006. 165 s. ISBN 80-85544-51-2

**45 citations**

FAI Podoby regionálnych odlišností na Slovensku : príklady vybraných okresov [Forms of regional differences in Slovakia: examples of selected districts]. Editori: Vladimír Ira, Ján Pašiak, Ľubomír Falťan, Peter Gajdoš. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2005. 381 s. ISBN 80-855544-39-7

**45 citations**

AAB BAHNA, Miloslav. Migrácia zo Slovenska po vstupe do Európskej únie [Migration from Slovakia after Accession to the European Union]. Vyd. 1. Bratislava : Veda, 2011. 219 s. ISBN 978-80-224-1196-7

**38 citations**

#### **2.2.4. List of 10 most-cited publications published during the evaluation period (2016-2021) with the address of the Institute, with number of citations obtained until 2021**

AAA PAP, András László. Democratic Decline in Hungary : law and Society in an Illiberal Democracy. Abingdon : Routledge, 2018. 176 p. Available at: <<https://www.routledge.com/Democratic-Decline-in-Hungary-Law-and-Society-in-an-Illiberal-Democracy/Pap/p/book/9781138052123>>. ISBN 978-1-13805-212-3

**44 citations**

FAI Graffiti and Street Art : Reading, Writing and Representing the City. Edited by Konstantinos Avramidis, Myrto Tsilimpounidi. Abingdon : Routledge, 2017. 282 p. Available at: <<https://www.routledge.com/Graffiti-and-Street-Art-Reading-Writing-and-Representing-the-City/Avramidis-Tsilimpounidi/p/book/9781472473332>>. ISBN 978-1-4724-7333-2

**29 citations**

ADCA BAHNA, Miloslav. Study choices and returns of international students: On the role of cultural and economic capital of the family. In *Population, Space and Place*, 2018, vol. 24, no. 2, art. no. e2082. (2017: 2.439 - IF, Q1 - JCR, 1.425 - SJR, Q1 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2018 - Current Contents). ISSN 1544-8444. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1002/psp.2082>

**24 citations**

AAA BAHNA, Miloslav - SEKULOVÁ, Martina. Crossborder Care : Lessons from Central Europe. Cham : Palgrave Macmillan, 2019. 149 p. ISBN 978-3-319-97027-1

**23 citations**

ADEB GYÁRFÁŠOVÁ, Oľga - BAHNA, Miloslav - SLOSIARIK, Martin. Sila nestálosti: volatilita voličov na Slovensku vo voľbách 2016 = Strength of instability: voters' volatility in Slovak election 2016. In *Středoevropské politické studie*, 2017, roč. 19, č. 1, s. 1-24. ISSN 1212 -7817. Available at: <<https://journals.muni.cz/cepsr/article/view/6861/6357>>

**17 citations**

AAB KUSÁ, Zuzana. Škola nie je pre všetkých [School is not for Everybody]. Recenzentky Nad'a Bizová, Jurina Rusnáková. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 285 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-98-5

**14 citations**

AAA TSILIMPOUNIDI, Myrto. Sociology of Crisis : Visualising urban austerity. Abingdon : Routledge, 2017. 191 p. Available at: <<https://www.routledge.com/Sociology-of-Crisis-Visualising-Urban-Austerity/Tsilimpounidi/p/book/9781138839915>>. ISBN 987-1-138-83991-5

**14 citations**

ADCA SPÁČ, Peter - VODA, Petr - ZAGRAPAN, Jozef. Does the freedom of information law increase transparency at the local level? Evidence from a field experiment. In *Government Information Quarterly*, 2018, vol. 35, p. 408-417. (2017: 4.009 - IF, Q1 - JCR, 1.321 - SJR, Q1 – SJR, karentované - CCC). (2018 - Current Contents). ISSN 0740-624X. Dostupné na: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.giq.2018.05.003>

**13 citations**

BAB TÍŽIK, Miroslav - ZEMAN, Milan. *Religiozita obyvateľov Slovenska a postoje občanov k náboženstvu. Demokratickosť a občania na Slovensku II. : pramenno-analytická publikácia* = Religiosity in Slovakia and Attitudes of Citizens Toward the Religion. Democracy and Citizens in Slovakia II. [elektronický zdroj]. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2017. 276 s. Available at: <[http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/2737\\_attach\\_Pramenna\\_DoS\\_2014\\_cast\\_2.pdf](http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/cms/uploaded/2737_attach_Pramenna_DoS_2014_cast_2.pdf)>. ISBN 978-80-89897-04-9

**9 citations**

ADDB BAHNA, Miloslav - KRIVÝ, Vladimír. Ako volili národnosti a konfesie v parlamentných voľbách roku 1929 na Slovensku. Možnosti nových metód ekologickej inferencie = Voting Preferences of Nationalities and Denominations in the 1929 Parliamentary Elections in Slovakia. In *Historický časopis : Historického ústavu SAV (do r.2012)*, 2016, roč. 64, č. 1, s. 57-85. (2015: 0.131 - SJR, Q2 - SJR, karentované - CCC). (2016 - Current Contents, Bibliographic Index, International Bibliography of the Social Sciences, Periodicals Index Online, I B Z - Internationale Bibliographie der Geistes- und Sozialwissenschaftlichen Zeitschriftenliteratur, Internationale Bibliographie der Rezensionen Geistes-und Sozialwissenschaftlicher Literatur, Current Abstracts, Historical Abstract (Online), TOC Premier, SCOPUS). ISSN 0018-2575.

**9 citations**

**2.2.5. List of most-cited authors from the Institute (at most 10 % of average FTE researchers per year) and their number of citations in the assessment period (2015– 2020). The cited papers must bear the address of the institute**

BAHNA, Miloslav	240 citations
KRIVÝ, Vladimír	158 citations
GAJDOŠ, Peter	138 citations
TÍŽIK, Miroslav	104 citations

**2.2.6. List of most-cited authors from the Institute (at most 10 % of average FTE researchers per year) and their number of citations obtained until 2020. The cited papers must bear the address of the Institute**

GAJDOŠ, Peter	634 citations
KRIVÝ, Vladimír	402 citations
KUSÁ, Zuzana	398 citations
BAHNA, Miloslav	348 citations

**2.2.7. List of most-cited authors from the Institute (at most 10 % of average FTE researchers per year) and their number of citations obtained until 2021 of their papers published during the evaluation period (2016– 2021). The cited papers must bear the address of the Institute**

BAHNA, Miloslav	116 citations
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PAP, András	51 citations
TSILIMPOUNIDI, Myrto	50 citations
TÍŽIK, Miroslav	32 citations

## 2.3. Research status of the institute in international and national context

- **International/European position of the institute**

**2.3.1. List of the most important research activities demonstrating the international relevance of the research performed by the institute, incl. major projects (details of projects should be supplied under Indicator 2.4). Max. 10 items for institute with less than 50 average FTE researchers per year, max. 20 for institutes with 50 – 100 average FTE researchers per year and so on**

***National representative in International Social Survey Programme***

(Steering committee member between 2016 – 2021, member of drafting groups for ISSP 2022 and 23 modules)

***National representative in European Values Study***

(member of Council of Program Directors / EVS Steering Committee, fielding of the 2017 module, including major popularization and outreach activities, see case study)

***National service provider in CESSDA ERIC pan-European distributed ESFRI infrastructure***

(Archiving and providing of quantitative research data free of charge for non-commercial use)

***Conference People and Society in Times of the Pandemic***

(presenters from four countries and 300 online participants joined a conference organized at the end of the major lockdown of 2021, co-organized by the Institute for Social Communication of SAS)

***Cooperation with the Institute for Sociology at the Center for Social Sciences of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences***

The team focusing on spatial sociology entered in cooperation with the Institute for Sociology at the Center for Social Sciences of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. This cooperation culminated in a monograph *“Artificial Towns” in the 21st Century Social Polarization in the New Town Regions of East-Central Europe* <http://mek.oszk.hu/15900/15946/15946.pdf>. The central question of this book is whether the development of new towns was a possibility of a new urban development model or an unfulfilled promise. Experts from Hungary, Poland and two researchers from the Institute participated in this publication. Two chapters in this book are the result of this collaboration (by the authors Peter Gajdoš and Katarína Moravanská).

**2.3.2. List of international conferences (co)organised by the institute**

*Colours of Freedom - 9th Slovak and Czech Sociological Days, 60 participants, 43 papers, November 20 – 22, 2019, Congress Center of Slovak Academy of Sciences Smolenice, hosted by the Institute for Sociology in cooperation with the Slovak Sociological Association. A major event strengthening the dialogue and cooperation between Slovak and Czech sociologists including three plenary sections and six parallel sections.*

*People and Society in Times of Pandemics, Bratislava, 300 participants, 20. 4. 2021,*

International multidisciplinary conference hosted by the Institute for Sociology and the Institute for Social Communication of the Slovak Academy of Sciences (online).

*Care Migration in Europe: Policies and Patterns in Live-in Elder Care Circulation*, 20 participants, 2.9.2020, Workshop replacing section “Care Migration in Europe: Policies and Patterns in Live-in Elder Care Circulation Organized”, planned as a panel at the due to the pandemic canceled ESPAnet 2020 conference in Leuven, organized by Miloslav Bahna (Institute for Sociology) and Michael Leiblfinger (Johannes Kepler University Linz), (online).

*Decolonising Global Education*, Bratislava, 20 participants, 10 September 2021, hosting institution: Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences in Cooperation with COST Network (Decolonising Development).



*Participants of the Colours of Freedom - 9th Slovak and Czech Sociological Days conference*

*Consequences of Child Poverty on Future Life Chances*, Bratislava, 80 participants, June 21, 2018. Hosted by the Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences. The conference was an interdisciplinary event with the participation of the ministry representatives and public administration experts (Ministry of education, Ministry of labour, social affairs and family, child ombudsman, government plenipotentiary for Roma communities and others) and social activists (more about the conference in the Questionnaire section 2.6).

*Loyalty and Protest in Czech and Slovak (Central European) Societies from Value Research Perspectives (EVS 1991 - 1999 - 2008 – 2017)*, 60 participants, Bratislava, October 4 – 5, 2018;. Hosted by the Institute for Sociology of SAS and the Institute of Population Studies at the Masaryk University in Brno

*Conceptualizing and Operationalizing Identity: A Challenge for Public Law*, 20 participants, 04.06.-06.07.2018, panel at Nationalism in Times of Uncertainty conference in Graz, organized by András L. Pap (Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences)

*Conceptualizing and Operationalizing Identity: A Challenge for Public Law*, 15 participants, 26.07.2018, panel at Identity, Security, Democracy: Challenges for Public Law conference in Honkong, organized by András L. Pap (Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences)

*European Values Study panel at 23rd Annual Conference of Central European Political Science Association*, 13 participants, Banská Bystrica, 13.09.-14.09.2018, panel at the One hundred years after: 1918 – 2018 Central European Political Science Association (CEPSA) conference organized by Silvia Miháliková (Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences)

*Conceptualizing and operationalizing identity*, 17 participants, Bratislava, 21.11.-21.11.2018, Hosted by the Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences and Faculty of Law at Comenius University. Six presentations from Hungary and Slovakia on theories and policies of Identities.

*Sociology and Everyday Life*, 80 participants, Bratislava, June 28, 2016, hosted by the Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences at the occasion of life anniversary of Dilbar Alieva, colleague, teacher and PhD. supervisor of several research workers of the Institute, lectures were presented by invited authors of studies published in the Alieva' tribute volume *Sociology and Everyday Life* (2016) introduced at the conference. At the conference Dilbar Alieva was awarded the *Gold Medal of the Slovak Academy of Sciences* for her contribution to development of sociology.

### 2.3.3. List of edited proceedings from international scientific conferences

FAI *Sociológia a každodennosť. Pocta dielu Dilbar Alievy*. Zostavovateľka Zuzana Kusá; recenzentky Silvia Miháliková, Katarína Strapcová. Bratislava : Sociologický ústav SAV, 2016. 252 s. ISBN 978-80-85544-90-9

### 2.3.4. List of journals edited/published by the institute and information on their indexing in WOS, SCOPUS, other database or no database, incl. impact factor and other metrics of journals in each year of the assessment period

**Journal Sociológia - Slovak Sociological Review** (SK ISSN 0049 - 1225, electronic version ISSN 1336-8613) is published bimonthly by the Institute for Sociology of Slovak Academy of Sciences. The journal is published without interruption since 1969. Since 1997 there are annually six journal issues either in Slovak or in English. Available at: <http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/static.php?id=1153>.

Official publisher	Institute for Sociology of Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAVSOCIO)												
Website	<a href="http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/static.php?id=1153">http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/static.php?id=1153</a>												
	num ber of issue s	CC C	Wo S CC	JIF (JCR )	IF best Q (JCR)	Scop us	Scopu s CiteSc ore	SJR (metr ic)	SJR best Q (Scima go JR)	Nor dic List Lev el	open acces (for readi ng)	CC Licen se	DO AJ
		y/n	y/n			y/n					y/n		y/n
<b>2016</b>	6	Y	Y	0,283	Q4	y	0,28	0,246	Q3	-	y	-	n
<b>2017</b>	6	Y	Y	0,500	Q4	y	0,51	0,267	Q3	1	y	-	n
<b>2018</b>	6	Y	Y	0,471	Q4	y	0,48	0,278	Q2	1	y	-	n
<b>2019</b>	6	Y	Y	0,796	Q4	y	1	0,413	Q2	1	y	-	n
<b>2020</b>	6	Y	Y	0,537	Q4	y	1,1	0,246	Q3	1	y	-	n
<b>2021</b>	6	y	y	0,635	Q4	y	1.1	0,43	Q3	1	y	-	n

Other indexing (databases)	CEEOL, ProQuest, EBSCO, CEJSH				
Journal/Source title	<b>SOCIOLÓGIA - SLOVAK SOCIOLOGICAL REVIEW</b>				
Published since (year)	1969	Periodicity	6x/year	Peer-reviewed y/n	y
ISSN/e-ISSN	0049-1225/1336-8613 (online)				

- **National position of the institute**

- 2.3.5. **List of selected activities of national importance**

- Conference Faces of freedom – 9th Slovak and Czech Sociology days**

- (20. to 22. 11. 2019, co-organised by the Institute and the Slovak Sociological Association, featuring prominent sociologist from leading Czech and Slovak sociology research centres)

- Largest PhD programme in Sociology**

- (cooperation with two universities nationally and one in the Czech Republic)

- Journal Sociológia**

- (A respected sociology journal in the region with international authorship)

- Indispensable expertise in national sociology bodies**

- (dissertation and habilitation committees membership, peer review and expertise provision)

- 2.3.6. **List of journals (published only in the Slovak language) edited/published by the institute and information on their indexing in WOS, SCOPUS, other database or no database, incl. impact factor and other metrics of journals in each year of the assessment period**

Since 2015, the Institute publishes the irregular online series *Working Papers in Sociology*. This working papers series is aimed at publishing research findings in a timely manner, before they are eventually published in peer-reviewed publication outlets. The series is also used by authors from outside of the Institute.

- **Position of individual researchers in the international context**

- 2.3.7. **List of invited/keynote presentations at international conferences, as documented by programme or invitation letter**

- 2021

- KUSÁ, Z. Invited participation on the panel debate: Pandemic and Solidarity (with P. Pospěch, J. Marvánková, P. Fučík, Z. Kusá) at the conference of Czech Sociological Association and Faculty of Social Science Masaryk University Brno: *Sociological Reflections of the Pandemic* January 27, 2021 online:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eAK-eXg8LSw>

KUSÁ, Z. Invited participation on the panel debate of Masaryk Democratic Academy and the journal LISTY on the occasion of receiving the Pelikán Award 2020: *Covid – Poverty – Solidarity. How has the inequality virus affected us?* (with Špidla, Kusá, Rychlíková) March 23, 2021. Online.

BAHNA, M., STRAPCOVÁ, K. Sociological research and surveys during the pandemics in Slovakia, (29.11.2021, webinar Social science data on the topic of pandemics in the Czech Republic and Slovakia, CSDA, Institute of Sociology of the CAS, online)

BAHNA, M. Leaving Care Work: Career Prospects After Work in a Secondary Labour Market, International conference “Borders, Mobility of Care and Translocal Social Reproduction”, (2.12.2021, Institute of Sociology of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Academic Conference Centre, Husova 4a, Prague 1 + ZOOM online)

ALIEVA, D. Transformation of everyday time into historical. Colloquium of the section of sociological theory of the Czech Sociological Association: Time and temporality in sociological thinking "May 21, 2021. Online.

TÍŽIK, M. Invited address at the International Round Table: the place of religions and the principles of laicity in the modern state. (together with Michaela Moravčíková, Faculty of Law, University of Trnava, Philippe Gaudin, Director of the Institute of Religious Studies and Laicity at the Ecole pratique des Hautes Etudes in Paris, Franck Frégosi, Director of Research at the CNRS, member of the research group Societies, Religions and Laicity (GSRL)), Venue: University Library in Bratislava in cooperation with the Embassy of the French Republic in Slovakia and the French in Bratislava) 18.10.2021. <https://institutfrançais.sk/podujatie/okruhly-stol-miesto-nabozenstiev-a-principov-laicita-vmodern-m-state/18.10.2021>

DRAŹKIEWICZ, E. Organisational Ethnography, Senior Seminar of the Organizational Psychology and Sociology, 11.3.2021. Faculty of Management, University of Warsaw (online)

## **2020**

DRAŹKIEWICZ, E. Moral Economy of Polish Foreign aid: Religion and Institutions, (12.11.2020, Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities, on-line invited talk)

DRAŹKIEWICZ, E. Scientific Intimacy: The Changing Relationship with Medical Data at the time of Covid-19 Pandemic, (27.11.2020, Anthropological Association of Ireland, Hosted on Zoom by Dublin City University)

PISCOVÁ, M. Values and identity in Bratislava Capital, “Values and Identities of the V4 Capitals”, (conference-workshop 14. 1. 2020, Institute for Evaluation and Social Analysis INESAN, Praha)

TÍŽIK, M. Changing Relations of the State and Churches in Slovakia After 1989 and Transformations of Religiosity, „Industries, Institutions and Everyday Cultures in Transformation“ (23. 10. 2020, Institute of Contemporary History, Czech Academy of Sciences, on-line)

## **2019**

ALIEVA, D. Sociology engaged or progressive? Colloquium of the section of sociological theory of the Czech Sociological Association and Department of sociology Faculty of Philosophy Charles University: *Sixty years of Sociological imagination*. Prague, March 29, 2019.

ALIEVA, D. Le blogger comme éducateur. International colloquium LERSEM, UPVM 3 “Imaginaire et vie quotidienne”, Montpellier, France, 29.06.2019.

BAHNA, M. Migration from Central Europe: Lessons Learned from the 2004 EU Enlargement, Management of Social Transformation (UNESCO MOST) Winter School in Kőszeg, Institute of Advanced Studies Kőszeg and The University of Pannonia, Hungary, 12.2.2019.

BAHNA, M. Crossborder Care: Lessons from Central Europe, Care Workers in the EU: Feminization of Migration and the Rights and Working Conditions of Migrant Care Workers from CEE, Workshop and public discussion, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Budapest, Hungary, 21.5.2019.

BAHNA, M. Crossborder Care: Lessons from Slovakia, Expert Workshop on Transnational Care, Johannes Kepler University Linz, Nemecko, (with M. Sekulová) 3.10.2019.

FALŤAN, Ľ. Rural space, rural settlements and rural community in Slovakia after the year 2000. International Expert Workshop on Regional and National Identity – Muzeum Ťešínska, Masarykovy sady 103/19, ACCENDO – Centrum pro vědu a výzkum, Český Ťešín, ČR, 16.10.2019

## **2018**

ALIEVA, D. Plurality of sociological theories: from "star wars" to functionalcoexistence. Colloquium of the section of sociological theory of the Czech Sociological Association and FSS Masaryk University *Sociological theories of the 21st century*, Brno, March16, 2018.

ALIEVA, D. La révolution et la fête. Imaginaire et vie quotidienne. International colloquium LERSEM IRSA-CRI. Université Paul Valéry, Montpellier, 29. 6. 2018.

BAHNA, M. Lecture within the panel "At the Intersection of Migration and Populist Politics". XXIII. International Summer University – Europe in the Vortex of Change. Institute of Advanced Studies Kőszeg (iASK), Kőszeg, Maďarsko, 4. 7. 2018.

MRVA, M. The social situation and prospects of Hungarian youth in Slovakia. Young people in the Carpathian Basin in the early 21st century. II. Doctoral conference. University of Pécs. Doctoral School of Demography and Sociology. Pécs, 26-27. 10. 2018.

PAP, A. Illiberal Democracy and the Anti-Democratic Backlash: A New Model in the Making? The Case of Hungary. John Marshall Law School, Chicago, USA, 25. 4. 2018.

PAP, A. Illiberalism, Democratic Backsliding and the New Populism: A European case study and a global warning signal. University of Colorado Boulder, Colorado, USA, 20. 4. 2018.

PISCOVÁ, M. Gender Pay Gap – Country context Slovakia. Annual seminar "Specific Solutions to Specific Problems: The Gender Pay Gap" , Fondazione Giacomo Brodolini – European Commission, DG Justice, Brusel, 4. 10. 2018.

TÍŽIK, M. The paradox of authenticity. Seminar "The Paradox of Authenticity, What is Real? Akademické Centrum AV ČR, Praha, 7. 11. 2018.

## **2017**

ALIEVA, D. La microsociologie du pouvoir de Goffman. International colloquium CEAQ „Socialités postmodernes XVIII“. Université René Descartes. Paris, 28. 6.2017.

FEINBERG, J. G. „A People without a Land„? The Jewish National Movement and the European Nation-States. Jewish Open University, Warsaw, 29. 10. 2017.

FEINBERG, J. G. „The Wretched of the Earth and dos yidishe folk“. Summer Seminar in Yiddish Language and Culture, Warsaw, 17. 7. 2017.

KUSÁ, Z. Different findings of value orientation survey and the focus groups - interactionist explanation. Conference *Qualitative Research III*. VŠZ – SOÚ AV ČR Prague, Czechia, November 30, 2017.

PAP, A. L. Diversity, non-discrimination or discriminatory ethnic profiling. CEPOL webinar. 5.12. 2017.

PAP, A. L. European challenges concerning multilevel constitutionalism and constitutional identity: The case of Hungary. *Unitas via Diversitas? Hungarian Lawyers Bar, Budapest Bar Association (in Hungarian)* 17. 11. 2017.

PAP, A. L.: Practical challenges and theoretical dilemmas concerning hate crimes and Ethnic profiling. International Law Enforcement Academy, Budapest, Hungary, 20. 10. 2017.

PAP, A. L. The Roma in the Hungarian Personal Autonomy Framework, Minority Rights and Political Communities in Central and Eastern Europe. Hungarian Academy of Sciences Centre for Social Sciences, University of Glasgow, School of Social and Political Sciences, Minority Rights and Political Communities in Central and Eastern Europe, Budapest, Hungarian Academy of Sciences Centre for Social Sciences, Budapest, Hungary, 5. 9. 2017.

PAP, A. L. Practical challenges and theoretical dilemmas concerning hate crimes and Ethnic profiling. International Law Enforcement Academy, 26. 5. 2017.

PAP, A. L. Distinguishing between hate crimes and hate speech and other bias-led activity. Hungarian Judicial Academy, Budapest, Hungary, 16. 5. 2017.

PAP, A. L. Book Panel on Koen Sloopmaeckers, Heleen Touquet & Peter Vermeersch's *The EU Enlargement and Gay Politics*, 22nd ASN World Convention Columbia University, panelist, discussant, 5. 5. 2017.

PAP, A. L. Nationalism, Populism, and the 2017 Elections: Implications for 'Illiberal Democracy' and Integration in the EU. NYU European Horizons with Colette Mazzucelli, Franz Schimek, Italy, Lotem, 27. 4. 2017.

PAP, A. L. United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). Expert Group Meeting of Education for Justice, Vienna International Centre, Austria, 8. – 9. 3. 2017.

TÍŽIK, M. Dialogue after the end of politics and history. Presentation at the Workshop on Transformations of Marxist-Christian Dialogue in Czechoslovakia. Prague, 26. – 27. 9. 2017.

KLOBUCKÝ, R. Development of Slovak sociology in the 20th century. Silesian University in Opava. Czech Republic, 18. 4. 2017.

## **2016**

ALIEVA, D. Philosophical sources of social constructivism. Colloquium of the Section of Sociological Theory of the Czech Sociological Association: *Social Constructivism fifty years old*. April, 8, 2016, Prague, Czechia

FALŤAN, Ľ. Settlement Self-Government and Local Democracy – Ending Process of Revitalization. Japanese-Slovak conference concluding the joint project "Dynamics of Local Society in Globalization" and presentation of the eponymous book publication in Japanese (with slovak summary). Tokyo, CHUO University, Japan. 18. 3. 2016.

FALŤAN, Ľ. Current socio-political events, socio-economic situation and the participation of Taiwanese investors in Slovakia. Lecture for Central and Eastern Europe Center. Taipei, Soochow University, Taiwan, 23. – 31. 3. 2016.

FALŤAN, Ľ. Settlement Self-Government and Local Democracy – Ending Process of Revitalization. Lecture for sociology students. Taipei, Soochow University, Taiwan, 24. 3. 2016.

FALŤAN, Ľ. The Urban-Rural Dimension of Life Certainties. Lecture for sociology students. Taipei, Soochow University, Taiwan, 25. 3. 2016.

FALŤAN, Ľ. Contacts and cooperation of Slovak and Polish local governments in the context of sociological surveys. Conference Self-government Dimension of International Cooperation in the Polish-Slovak Borderland organised by the European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation TATRY. Poland, Nowy Targ. 24. 11. 2016.

FEINBERG, J. G. Ivan Sviták's Humanist Surrealism. Konferencia: Marxism, Humanism, and Revisionism in Czechoslovakia and Poland. Poland, Warsaw, 17. 12. 2016.

FEINBERG, J. G. Marxism and folklore studies. Marxism and the Humanities, Interdisciplinary Seminar. Prague, Czech Republic, 6. 10. 2016.

FEINBERG, J. G. Invited guest at the conference „Crossing Borders. Migration and Citizenship Education in Europe“, Networking European Citizenship Education expert workshop, Ljubljana, Slovenia, 8.-10. 7. 2016.

FEINBERG, J. G. The Ideology of Philosophy. Conference: Ideology after the End of Ideologies. Prague, 15. 6. 2016.

TÍŽIK, M. Relations of the Religiosity and the National Identity in the Contemporary Europe. SSSR/RRA Annual meeting, Atlanta, USA. 28. – 30. 10. 2016.

TÍŽIK, M. Milan Hodža - Between Nation and Federation. In Intellectuals, Identities and Ideas in the Cultural Space of Central Europe in the 20th and 21st Century : International Conference, Charles University in Prague, Praha, 3. – 5. 11. 2016.

### 2.3.8. List of researchers who served as members of the organising and/or programme committees

Name	Programme committee	Organising committee	Programme and organising committee
Bahna Miloslav	2		1
Tsilimpounidi Myrto			2
Alieva Dilbar	2		
Kusá Zuzana	1		1
Miháliková Silvia	1	1	1
Čambáliková Monika			1
Pap András László			3
Strapcová Katarína			1
Drażkiewicz Elżbieta	1		1
Klobucký Robert	1		
Mrva Marianna		1	
Zeman Milan		1	

### 2.3.9. List of researchers who received an international scientific award

#### Kusá Zuzana

Pelikán Award 2020. The award is named after one of the leading personalities of Prague Spring 1968 and founder of the exile journal LISTY and dedicated to “persons who... promote the search for truth in an open and democratic dialogue and do not hesitate to oppose social evil...” Zuzana Kusá was awarded for “being consistent, erudite and publicly loud voice against poverty and social exclusion in Slovakia”. Grantor: journal LISTY.



Zuzana Kusá receiving the Pelikán Award 2020 awarded by Czech journal LISTY founded by one of the leading personalities of Prague Spring 1968

- **Position of individual researchers in the national context**

#### 2.3.10. List of invited/keynote presentations at national conferences, as documented by programme or invitation letter

##### 2021

KUSÁ, Z. Young people and values. Ideas about generational difference. Final conference of the Council of Youth Slovakia, Czech Council of Children and Youth: *The values of young people*. October 10, 2021. Bratislava

KUSÁ, Z. Invited participation in the online panel discussion Barriers of adult participation in lifelong learning. State Institute of Vocational Education and EPALE Slovakia National Panel October 12, (12. 10. 2021. Online: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ifWBrUfG\\_Is](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ifWBrUfG_Is))

KUSÁ, Z. Participative approach in social science research: hopes and illusions. XII. Doctoral Conference of the Educology Institute of Prešov University and Eastern Slovakia Section of the Slovak Sociological Association *Participative-Action Research* November 5, 2021.

GYÁRFÁŠOVÁ, O. - BAHNA, M.: Experience matters: Perceptions of social inequalities, Institute of European Studies and International Relations, Research Seminars, Spring 2021, 25.3.2021, online

MIHÁLIKOVÁ, S. Comenius Children's University. 18.8.2021. Title of the lecture: Why should we help the underprivileged and the elderly? <https://www.duk.sk/sk/program>

MIHÁLIKOVÁ, S. Central European Colloquium of the Institute of World Literature of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, 05.05.2021: What is literary science for? (On the meaning of literary science and its methods of research). Title of the presentation: Sociological contexts for the study of literature  
<http://usvl.sav.sk/wp/wp-content/uploads/Stredoeur%C3%B3pske-kolokvium-SAV.pdf>

DRAŽKIEWICZ, E. Institutionalised Dreams: The Art of Managing Foreign Aid, Senior Seminar, Anthropology Department, Comenius University, 19.4.2021.

STRAPCOVÁ, K. Climate change and public opinion. As a part of the online lectures series for the Centre for Scientific and Technical Information of the Slovak Republic (CVTI SR), series title: Science in the CENTRE and the Environment - latest issues in the study of environment, Aurelium Bratislava, May 2021.  
Available online: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s2\\_BnXvZ1xo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s2_BnXvZ1xo)

## 2020

BAHNA, M. Od rozšírenia EÚ v roku 2004 po Brexit [From EU Enlargement in 2004 to Brexit], Institute lecture series, Institute for Research in Social Communication SAS, 3.2.2020

BAHNA, M. Od rozšírenia EÚ v roku 2004 po Brexit: lekcie z migračnej vlny zo strednej Európy [From EU Enlargement in 2004 to Brexit: Lessons from Migration Wave from Central Europe], invited talk at online scientific panel conference „Medial discourse of migration“, Department of mas-media communication and advertisement UKF Nitra, 11.11.2020

KUSÁ Z. Disappearing values. The case of dignity for all. The lecture cycle of the Faculty of Philosophy University of Constantine Philosopher: *Interdisciplinary dialogues*. Nitra March 3, 2020.

TÍŽIK, M. Shaping the religious field in the Czech Republic since 1990. "Freedom to Live And Believe (Even After Death)", Symposium of the Sociology of Religion Section of the Czech Sociological Association. ) 7. 12. 2020, on-line).

ZEMAN, M. Kvantitatívne metódy sociologického výskumu - tradičné vs. moderné. [Quantitative methods of sociological research – traditional vs. modern]. XI. doctoral conference - Innovations in social science research. Institute of Educology and Social Work, Faculty of Arts, University of Prešov in Prešov, 1. 12. 2020, on-line).

ZEMAN, M. Sociologický výskum záujmu verejnosti o šport - možnosti a obmedzenia [Sociological research of public interest in sports – opportunities and limitations]. The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and the Slovak Olympic and Sports Committee on the topic "Measuring interest in sports in Slovakia and abroad", Bratislava, 25. 06. 2020).

ŽELINSKÝ, D. Intelektuáli a charizma: Prípád neoficiálnej filozofie v Československu [Intellectuals and Charisma: The Case of Unofficial Philosophy in Czechoslovakia]. Workshop of the Institute of Social Communication Research, 19. 10. 2020, on-line)

STRAPCOVÁ, K. Climate change: theories, hypotheses and models, Project Persist EU: What role does science communication play in the origins of beliefs, trust, perceptions and knowledge about scientific issues. (HORIZON 2020 Conside, Science Camps, 20.10.2020, University of Trnava)

## 2019

BAHNA, M. Od rozšírenia EÚ v roku 2004 po Brexit: lekcie z migračnej vlny zo Strednej Európy [From EU Enlargement in 2004 to Brexit: Lessons from Migration Wave from Central Europe]. Conference: Images of Freedom - 9th Slovak and Czech Sociological Days, Smolenice, 21.11.2019.

ČAMBÁLIKOVÁ, M. Benefits and barriers of participation of the social partners in European social dialogue. Workshop Slovak and European social dialogue: experience and future. The event was organized by the Central European Labor Institute CELSI, Bratislava, 25.11.2019.

KLOBUCKÝ, R. The development of Czech and Slovak sociology after the fall of communism. Conference: Images of Freedom - 9th Slovak and Czech Sociological Days, Smolenice, 21.11.2019.

TÍŽIK, M. What merit does it take to be a member of a good society? Symbolic representations of danger.) Comenius University, Bratislava, 6.12.2019.

## 2018

ALIEVA, D. Simmel – modern or postmodern sociologist? The theoretical seminar of the sections of sociological theory and methodology of the Slovak Sociological Association and the section of sociological theory of Czech Sociological Association: *Micro and macro inspirations of the sociology of Georg Simmel*. Bratislava, September 21, 2018.

KLOBUCKÝ, R. – MATEJKOVÁ, A. Democracy and social trust. Findings of the European Values Study (EVS), conducted in Slovakia by the Institute of Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences within the project APVV-15-0653: Values in the Dynamics of Social Change in Slovakia and Europe (2016-2020). Scientific Tea Room Trnava. Trnava, 12 December 2018.

KUSÁ, Z. Democracy, solidarity and ideas of the good society. Research findings European Values Study (EVS), conducted in Slovakia by the Institute of Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences in the framework of the APVV-15-0653: Values in the dynamics of social change in Slovakia and in Europe (2016-2020). Scientific Tea Room Banská Bystrica. Banská Bystrica, December 4, 2018.

KUSÁ, Z. Democracy, solidarity and ideas of the good society. Research findings European Values Study (EVS), conducted in Slovakia by the Institute of Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences in the framework of the Values in the Dynamics of Social Change in Slovakia and Europe (2016-2020). Scientific Tea Room Námestovo. Námestovo, December 5, 2018.

KUSÁ, Z. Socio-economic context of family crises. National Conference of the project Support for the Protection of Children against Violence and ÚPSVAR: *Multidisciplinary support of Cooperation on the protection of children from all forms of violence*. Víglaš, September 26. – 27, 2018.

MATEJKOVÁ, A. Democracy, liberalism and change in the contemporary family. Findings of the European Values Study (EVS), conducted in Slovakia by the Institute of Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences within the project APVV-15-0653: Values in the Dynamics of Social Change in Slovakia and Europe (2016-2020). Scientific Tea Room Prievidza. Prievidza, 21.11. 2018.

MIHÁLIKOVÁ, S. – MATEJKOVÁ, A. The value of democracy in Slovakia. Findings of the European Values Study (EVS) conducted in Slovakia by the Institute of Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences within the project APVV-15-0653: Values in the dynamics of social change in Slovakia and Europe (2016-2020). Scientific Tea Room Košice. Košice, 13 November 2018

MIHÁLIKOVÁ, S. Possibilities of sociological imagination in the context of other scientific disciplines, Doctoral Seminar at the Institute of World Literature of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava, 5 December 2018.

PISCOVÁ, M. The old and the elderly in the new society. Human Rights of Persons with Disabilities Conference: From Ideas to Reality, Faculty of Philosophy of Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica, Department of Philosophy - Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences - Faculty of Philosophy of Cyril and Methodius University in Trnava - Department of Philosophy, Banská Bystrica, 5-6 December 2018.

STRAPCOVÁ, K. - ZEMAN, M. What do the principles of social justice represent? Findings of the European Values Study (EVS), conducted in Slovakia by the Sociological Institute of the Slovak Academy of Sciences within the project APVV-15-0653: Values in the dynamics of social change in Slovakia and Europe (2016 - 2020). Scientific Tea Rooms: Levice. 27 November 2018.

SURÍKOVÁ, M. – MATEJKOVÁ, A. Democracy, individualism and change in the contemporary family. Findings of the European Values Study (EVS), conducted in Slovakia by the Institute of Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences within the project APVV-15-0653: Values in the Dynamics of Social Change in Slovakia and Europe (2016-2020). Scientific Tea Room Prievidza. Prievidza, 21.11. 2018.

TÍŽIK, M. Public opinion on key years in the history of Slovakia. Conference On the road to Slovak statehood.) State Archive in Košice, Košice, 18. – 20. 9. 2018.

## 2017

ALIEVA, D. Garfinkel's theoretical initiatives. Seminar of the Sociological Theory Section of the Slovak Sociological Association and the Institute for Sociology, SAS "Harold Garfinkel and His Ethnomethodology (100th Anniversary)". Bratislava, 27 September 2017.

<http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/podujatia.php?id=2705&r=1>

ALIEVA, D. Are revolutions holidays of history? Paper presented at the joint Theoretical Seminar of the Sociological Theory Section of the SSS and the SAS "Anatomy of Revolution: Historical Lessons and Sociological Analysis". Bratislava, November 10, 2017.

ČAMBÁLIKOVÁ, M. Individual and collective law in the Slovak Republic. International Conference: Reflections of practice on issues of public policy and economics, law and public administration in Slovakia. Organizers Danubius University, University of Europe and regional studies and Academia Rerum Civilum. Sládkovičovo, 7. 6. 2017.

FEINBERG J. G. "Folklore, Democracy and Citizenship. On the possibilities of reconciling culture and Politics." Conference: Changes and threats in Slovak society. Bratislava, 21 September 2017.

FEINBERG J. G. „Antinómie autenticity. O hľadání autentického života v neautentickom veku“ (The Antinomies of Authenticity: Looking for Authentic Life in an Inauthentic Age)

<http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/podujatia.php?id=2549&r=1>

FEINBERG J. G.: Czech Republic on the way: Visions and Milestones. Invited participant, conference, Prague, 30. 10. 2017.

KLOBUCKÝ, R. - MRVA, M . "Social Trust and Conspiracy Beliefs in Slovakia". "Current Problems of Social Science Research" Conference. Faculty of Arts, University of Prešov, Prešov, September 22, 2017

KUSÁ, Z. 'A person is 95 per cent juror before he comes near the court'. Garfinkel's inspirations in the analysis of moral and factual arguments in the focus groups debating about compassion and concern for the living conditions of disadvantaged groups. Seminar of the Sociological Theory Section of the Slovak Sociological Association and the Institute for Sociology, SAS "Harold Garfinkel and His Ethnomethodology (100th Anniversary)". Bratislava, 27 September 2017. <http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/podujatia.php?id=2705&r=1>

LINDBLOOM, J. The social character of agriculture: Contingent nature of relations and action. Conference: Science Days VC AgroBioTech: Agriculture, land, and food in the reflection of social science. Organizer: Research Centre AgroBioTech at the Agricultural University in Nitra, November 30, 2017

LINDBLOOM, J. Garfinkel's ethnomethodology at uncertain land. Seminar of the Sociological Theory Section of the Slovak Sociological Association and the Institute for Sociology, SAS "Harold Garfinkel and His Ethnomethodology (100th Anniversary)". Bratislava, 27 September 2017. <http://www.sociologia.sav.sk/podujatia.php?id=2705&r=1>

PAP, A. L. Conceptualizing and operationalising ethnicity: Central-East European experiences, Slovak Academy of Sciences Marie-Curie conference, SASPRO - workshop, 8. 2. 2017.

PAP, A. L. Ethnic and racial identity: „Fraud” and „choice” in law and politics, Comenius University Faculty of Law Doctoral School, Bratislava, 15. 11. 2017.

TÍŽIK, M. Order, emotion and the struggle to make sense of the world. Methodological notes on the possibilities of ethnomethodology. Presentation at the workshop Harold Garfinkel and his ethnomethodology (on the 100th anniversary of his birth.) Bratislava, 27. 9. 2017.

TÍŽIK, M. Sociology and the Art World, Lecture in the Art and Society Programme, Academy of Fine Arts and Design in Bratislava, Bratislava, 17 March 2017

## 2016

ALIEVA, D. Opening Lecture reflecting sociological research of everyday life. Conference of the Institute for Sociology and the section of methodology of the Slovak Sociological Association: Sociology and Everyday Life. Bratislava, June 28, 2016.

BAHNA, M. The Story of Careworkers from Slovakia: From the Gray Zone to Legal Employment, Conference Statistics - a mirror of society, Bratislava, 25.10.2016, Hotel Austria Trend.

BAHNA, M. Return Migration of the Young: Who Returns, How they Succeed in Integration and the Place for Public Policies. Sgi-Style Lab Seminár, European Information Centre, Blok II, 24.11.2016

BAHNA, M. What do we Know about Slovak Care Workers in Austria? Asociácia Poskytovateľov sociálnych služieb SR. Association of Providers of Social Services in the Slovak Republic. Financing of Social Services and Economically Eligible Costs, SUZA, Drotárska ul. 46, Bratislava, 7. 12. 2016.

FALŤAN, Ľ. UNESCO-MOST Programme and Slovakia. Conference: Global Megatrends and Slovak Republic, Congress Centre SAS, Smolenice, 19. – 21. 9. 2016.

FEINBERG, J. G. Dissatisfaction with dialectics. Conference: post-Marxian reflections to continue. Bratislava, 28 September 2016.

KUSÁ, Z. Values in our everyday life. What threatens European values today? Center for European Policy Bratislava: *XVIII. Discussion Forum European Values today*. Bratislava, November 11, 2016.

TÍŽIK, M. Collective memory in action. Conference of the Section of Sociology of Religion at the Czech Sociological Association and the Department of Sociology, Faculty of Sociology, University of Technology in Pilsen, Theoretical and Empirical Reflections on Memory in the Sociology of Religion.), Plzeň, 16. 3. 2016.

TÍŽIK, M. Public space, human rights and human dignity - dilemmas and conflicts. Conference Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in Culture) National Educational Center, Bratislava, 14. 9. 2016.

ZEMAN, M. Quantitative methods of analysis and research: possibilities and limitations. Invited lecture at the Department of Regional Geography, and Landscape Planning, Faculty of Natural Sciences of Comenius University, Bratislava, 8 March 2016.

ZEMAN, M. Youth in Slovakia in sociological research. Invited lecture at the FORUM RmS 2016 Conference, organized by the Youth Council of Slovakia. Bratislava, 12-13 December 2016.

### 2.3.11. List of researchers who served as members of organising and programme committees of national conferences

Name	Programme committee	Organising committee	Programme and organising committee
Deáková Katarína		1	
Alieva Dilbar			2
Kusá Zuzana	1		1
Miháliková Silvia	1		1
Čambáliková Monika	1		1
Feinberg Joseph Grim			1
Strapcová Katarína		2	3
Tížik Miroslav			4
Matejková Alexandra		1	
Zeman Milan		3	2

### 2.3.12. List of researchers who received a national scientific award

#### ***Dilbar Alieva***

*Gold Medal of the Slovak Academy of Sciences*

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

Description: For her contribution to the sociology development

#### ***Ľubomír Falťan***

Major personalities of Slovak Academy of Sciences 2017

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

Description: An appreciation of lifelong contribution to science in Slovakia and abroad

#### ***Zuzana Kusá***

Honorary plaque of Ľudovít Štúr for merits in social sciences for scientific and organisational contribution.

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences 2017

#### ***Ľubomír Falťan***

Premium for contribution to science in Slovakia and abroad

Award of the Slovak Literary Fund – Section for scientific literature and computer programmes

Description: An appreciation of lifelong contribution to science in Slovakia and abroad

#### ***Ľubomír Falťan***

Medal of the Slovak Academy of Sciences for the Support of Science

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

#### ***Myrto Tsilimpounidi***

Excellent scientific monograph

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

Description: Awarded for the monograph: Sociology of Crisis: Visualising urban austerity,

published by Routledge in 2017.

**Miroslav Tížik**

APVV Agency Decision: the APVV OPS 2013-2017 project was selected by the APVV Agency as one of the best quality projects in the field of social sciences for the period in question and was included in the publication Research projects with an excellent level): <https://www.apvv.sk/buxus/docs/flipbook/publikacia-2018-sk/index.html>

**Zuzana Kusá**

Price of the Slovak Academy of Sciences for popularisation of science (2018)  
Grantor: Slovak Academy of Sciences

**Jozef Zagrapan**

2<sup>nd</sup> place award in Competition of Young Scientists of the Slovak Academy of Sciences 2019

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

Description: The Slovak Academy of Sciences organizes an annual competition for young scientists of the Academy of Sciences under 35 years of age. The competition is for peer reviewed publications that have been published or accepted for publication in the last three years.

**Miloslav Bahna**

Excellent scientific monograph

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

Description: Monograph Bahna, M., Sekulová, M. (2019) Crossborder Care: Lessons from Central Europe, Palgrave Macmillan awarded the status of an excellent scientific monograph

**Miloslav Bahna**

Alexander Hirner Award of the Slovak Sociological Association (II. place)

Awarded by: Slovak Sociological Society

Description: Awarded for the book Bahna, M., Sekulová, M. (2019) Crossborder Care: Lessons from Central Europe, Palgrave Macmillan.

**Miloslav Bahna**

Awarded by: APVV Council for Social Sciences

Final evaluation of the project "Between East and West, Integration or Divergence of Values? Slovakia in Cross-National Comparative Research" carried out between 1.7.2015 and 30.6.2019 by the research team lead by Miloslav Bahna as an excellent level research project.

**Jana Lindbloom**

Alexander Hirner Award of the Slovak Sociological Association

The best sociological work published in years 2018-2019 for the book The Transformation and Fall of Agricultural Cooperatives published by Veda, 2019

**Jana Lindbloom**

Award of the Slovak Literary Fund

The Award for the book The Transformation and Fall of Agricultural Cooperatives published by Veda, 2019

**Alieva Dilbar**

"Important personalities of Slovak Academy of Sciences 2021". Tribute from the presidency of the Slovak Academy of Sciences.

**Miloslav Bahna**

Excellent peer reviewed article

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

The Excellent peer reviewed article category in category Nordic register for the article: Luczaj, K., Bahna, M. (2020) Explaining the role of international scholars in semi-peripheries. Evidence from Slovakia, *Studies in Higher Education* 45(4): 706-722.

**Peter Gajdoš**

Honorary plaque of Ľudovít Štúr for merits in social sciences and humanities

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

**Petr Mezihorák**

Recommended for funding in the Stefan Schwarz funding scheme for post-doctoral researchers

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

**Bahna Miloslav, Robert Klobucký, Katarína Moravanská, Marianna Mrva, Katarína Strapcová, Jozef Zagrapan**

Award of the Slovak Academy of Sciences for the popularization of science and social applications of science

Awarded by: Slovak Academy of Sciences

Description: For participating in the "How are you, Slovakia?" project, which tracks attitudes of the population in Slovakia since the start of the quarantine measures in March 2020. Surveys were initiated by the research company MNFORCE, the communication agency Seesame in cooperation with the Institute for Sociology and the Institute for Research in Social Communication of the Slovak Academy of Sciences.

**Silvia Miháliková**

Anton Hajduk Award. Awarded by the University of Trnava. Rector's Award for outstanding results in creative activity.

**Silvia Miháliková**

Final evaluation of the project APVV 15-0653. Awarded by the APVV Council for Social Sciences. Evaluation of the project at an excellent level. In 2021 project included in APVV publication which presents selection of the most successful completed projects in all sectors of Slovak science and technology within the Call 2015.

## 2.4. Research grants and other funding resources

(List type of project, title, grant number, duration, total funding and funding for the institute, responsible person in the institute and his/her status in the project, e.g. coordinator "C", work package leader "W", investigator "I". Add information on the projects which are interdisciplinary, and also on the joint projects with several participating SAS institutes)

- **International projects**

- 2.4.1. **List of major projects of Framework Programmes of the EU (which pillar), NATO, COST, etc.**

**2021**

Type of project: COST

ENIS - European Network on International Student Mobility: Connecting Research and Practice, CA20115

Duration: 5.10.2021 – 4.10.2025

Grant number: CA20115

Funding for the Institute: not applicable  
„I“: Mgr. Ing. Bahna Miloslav, PhD.

Type of project: COST  
DecoIDEV - Decolonising Development: Research, Teaching, Practice, CA19129,  
Duration: 1.9.2020 – 30.8.2024  
Grant number: CA19129  
Funding for the Institute: not applicable  
„I“: Dražkiewicz Elżbieta PhD.

Type of project: Erasmus+  
VidNut - Videovignetten in Naturwissenschaft, Technik und Textil  
Duration: 1.6.2021 – 31.5.2023  
Total Funding: 248 756 €  
Funding for the Institute: 2 664 €  
„I“: Dražkiewicz Elżbieta PhD.

Type of project: CESSDA  
CESSDA Core Activities Rodemap 2019 – 2022: New Data Types 2020  
Duration: 01.01.2020 – 15.03.2021  
Total Funding: 73 605 €  
Funding for the Institute: 1 250 €  
„W“: Mgr. Katarína Strapcová, PhD.

## **2019**

Type of project: Visegrad Grant  
Values and identities of the Visegrad countries' capitals  
Duration: 1.2.2019 – 31.3.2020  
Grant number: No. 21830029  
Total Funding: 25 348 €  
Funding for the Institute: 3 190 €  
„W“: PhDr. Magdaléna Piscová, CSc.

Type of project: International Visegrad Found  
Gender Policies and EU Integration: Experience of V4 for Eap Countries  
Duration: 26.10.2015 / 26.7.2016  
Grant number:  
Funding for the Institute: 1 200 €  
„W“: PhDr. Magdaléna Piscová, CSc.

Type of project: Czech grant agency GAČR  
Transformations of Church Moral Economies in the Czech and Slovak Republics in the  
Context of Restitution and Separation of State and Church)  
Duration: 01. 01. 2019 – 31. 12. 2021  
Grant number: GAČR 19-08512S  
Total Funding: 3 269 000 CZK (approx. 132 209 €)  
Funding for the Institute: 498 000 CZK (approx. 20 136 €)  
„I“: Mgr. Miroslav Tížik, PhD.

## **2015**

Type of project: Horizont 2020  
Strengthening and widening the European infrastructure for social science data archives  
(CESSDA SaW)  
Duration: 1.8.2015 / 31.10.2017  
Grant number: 674939  
Total Funding: 2 498 187 €  
Funding for the Institute: 12 000 €  
„I“: Ing. Mgr. Miloslav Bahna, PhD.

## **Project participation of research staff without institutional participation by the Institute**

### **2020**

Type of project: Amsterdam Center for European Studies (ACES FMG) research support. Starting grant

Transnational care landscapes in Central Europe: Privatization, marketization and overlapping mobilities in elderly care

Duration: 1.1.2020 / 31.12.2021

Total Funding: 6 000 €

Funding for the Institute: 0 €

„W“: Mgr. Zuzana Sekeráková Búriková, PhD.

### **Add information on your activities in international networks**

Since 1995 member of International Social Survey Programme (ISSP)

Since 1997 member of European Values Study

Since 2017 member of European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR)

Since 2017 founding member of CESSDA ERIC

- **National projects, incl. international projects with only national funding**

#### **2.4.2. List of ERA-NET projects funded from SAS budget**

#### **2.4.3. List of projects of the Slovak Research and Development Agency, APVV**

### **2019**

Type of project: APVV

Close relatives? Slovakia and Czechia in the context of international comparative research 100 years since the Czechoslovak Republic

Grant number: APVV-18-0218

Duration: 1.7.2019 - 30.6.2023

Total Funding: 249 848 €

Funding for the Institute: 150 360 €

„C“: Ing. Mgr. Miloslav Bahna, PhD.

### **2017**

Type of project: APVV

Consumer Society and Consumer Regions. Stratification of Post-Communist Society (KONSPOREG)

Duration: 1.7.2017 / 30.6.2020

Grant number: APVV-16-0232

Total Funding: 199 336€

Funding for the Institute: 21 505€

„W“: PhDr. Bohumil Búzik, PhD.

Type of project: APVV

Suburbanization – development and impacts on socio-spatial structure in Bratislava hinterland (SUBURBA)

Duration: 1.7.2017 / 30.6.2020

Grant number: APVV-16-0462

Total Funding: 240 912 €

Funding for the Institute: 91 360 €

„W“: PhDr. Katarína Moravanská, PhD.

## **2016**

Type of project: APVV

European Union's Recognition Order and the Small Member States

Duration: 1.7.2016 / 30.6.2020

Grant number: APVV-15-0732

Total Funding: 208 785 €

Funding for the Institute: 22 001 €

„W“: prof. PhDr. Silvia Miháliková

Type of project: APVV

Values in the Dynamics of Societal Changes in Slovakia and Europe

Duration: 1.7.2016 / 30.6.2020

Grant number: APVV-15-0653

Total Funding: 240 000 €

Funding for the Institute: 240 000 €

„C“: prof. PhDr. Silvia Miháliková, PhD.

## **2015**

Type of project: APVV

Between East and West, Integration or Divergence of Values? Slovakia in Cross-National Comparative Research

Duration: 1.7.2015 – 30.6.2019

Grant number: APVV-14-0527

Total Funding: 249 244 €

Funding for the Institute: 152 700 €

„C“: Ing. Mgr. Miloslav Bahna, PhD.

## **2013**

Type of project: APVV

Democracy and Citizens in Slovakia: A Half-Century of Change

Duration: 1.10.2013 / 30.9.2017

Grant number: APVV-0627-12

Total Funding: 225 482 €

Funding for the Institute: 13 9616 €

„C“ : Mgr. Miroslav Tížik PhD.

### **2.4.4. List of projects of the Scientific Grant Agency of the Slovak Academy of Sciences and the Ministry of Education, VEGA (for funding specify only total sum obtained from all VEGA grants in particular year)**

#### **VEGA projects starting in 2021**

Type of project: VEGA

Development of spatial sociology in Slovakia 1960-1990 (with emphasis on conditions in SAS)

Duration: 1.1.2021 / 31.12.2023

Grant number: VEGA 2/0097/21

„C“: PhDr. Peter Gajdoš, CSc. / Mgr. Katarína Moravanská, PhD.

Total sum for all VEGA grants in 2021: 31 317 €

### **VEGA projects starting in 2020**

Type of project: VEGA  
Subjective Perception of the Environmental Values in Slovakia  
Duration: 1.1.2020 / 31.12.2022  
Grant number: 2/0120/20  
„C“: Mgr. Katarína Strapcová, PhD.

Type of project: VEGA  
International student mobility, cultural capital and inter-generational social mobility:  
Strategies and unintended consequences  
Duration: 1.1.2020 / 31.12.2022  
Grant number: 2/0105/20  
„C“: Ing. Mgr. Miloslav Bahna, PhD.

Total sum for all VEGA grants in 2020: 30 702 €

### **VEGA projects starting in 2019**

Type of project: VEGA  
Literary/artistic artefact and its contexts (Comparative literature and social sciences)  
Duration: 1.1.2019 / 31.12.2022  
Grant number: 2/0026/19  
„W“: prof. PhDr. Silvia Miháliková, PhD.

Type of project: VEGA  
Changing Representations of a Decent Life in the Life History Narratives and in the Public  
Discourse  
Duration: 1.1.2019 / 31.12.2021  
Grant number: 2/0134/19  
„C“: PhDr. Kusá Zuzana CSc.

Type of project: VEGA  
Social trust in Slovakia  
Duration: 1.1.2019 / 31.12.2021  
Grant number: VEGA 2/0122/19  
„C“: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Type of project: VEGA  
The Image of the "Other" in post-1989 Slovak politics  
Duration: 1.1.2019 / 31.12.2022  
Grant number: 2/0046/19  
„W“: Mgr. Miroslav Tížik, PhD.

Type of project: VEGA  
Work then and now: Institutional, organizational and interactional conditions of  
occupational accomplishment  
Duration: 1.1.2019 / 31.12.2022  
Grant number: VEGA 2/0152/19  
„C“: Mgr. Jana Lindbloom, PhD.

Total sum for all VEGA grants in 2019: 19 208 €

### **VEGA projects starting in 2018**

Total sum for all VEGA grants in 2018: 23 403 €

### **VEGA projects starting in 2017**

Type of project: VEGA  
Social Marginality of Territories in Slovakia,  
Duration: 1.1.2017 / 31.12.2019  
Grant number: 2/0078/17  
„C“: PhDr. Peter Gajdoš, CSc.

Type of project: VEGA  
Suburbanisation in Slovakia and its social and socio-spatial impact  
Duration: 1.1.2017 / 31.12.2019  
Grant number: 2/0094/17  
„C“: PhDr. Katarína Moravanská, PhD.

Total sum for all VEGA grants in 2017: 19 704 €

### **VEGA projects starting in 2016**

Type of project: VEGA  
Politics and history – an organic part of dealing with the past  
Duration: 1.1.2016 / 31.12.2019  
Grant number: VEGA 2/0045/16  
„W“: Mgr. Miroslav Tížik, PhD.

Type of project: VEGA  
Rural communities and rural settlements in the process of changes  
Duration: 1.1.2016 / 31.12.2018  
Grant number: 2/0068/16  
„C“: Mgr. Ľubomír Falťan, CSc.

Type of project: VEGA  
Election 1946 and Election 2016 in Slovakia  
Duration: 1.1.2016 / 31.12.2018  
Grant number: 2/0007/16  
„C“: PhDr. Vladimír Krivý, CSc.

Type of project: VEGA  
Borderless care? Care workers from Slovakia in Austria  
Duration: 1.1.2016 / 31.12.2018  
Grant number: 2/0015/16  
„C“: Mgr. Ing. Miloslav Bahna, PhD.

Total sum for all VEGA grants in 2016: 30 291 €

### **VEGA projects starting in 2015**

Type of project: VEGA  
Organizational changes and the organization of change  
Duration: 1.1.2015 / 31.12.2018  
Grant number: 2/0184/15  
„C“: Doc. PhDr. Monika Čambáliková, CSc.

Total sum for all VEGA grants in 2015: 19 422 €

#### **VEGA projects starting in 2014**

Type of project: VEGA  
Social inclusion in school from the perspective of sociology of everyday life  
Duration: 1.1.2014 / 31.12.2016  
Grant number: 2/0157/14  
„C“: PhDr. Zuzana Kusá, CSc.

Type of project: VEGA  
Small Towns in Slovakia and Their Position in the Changing Socio-Spatial Situation of the Society  
Duration: 1.1.2014 / 31.12.2016  
Grant number: 2/0127/14  
„C“: PhDr. Peter Gajdoš, CSc.

Type of project: VEGA  
Drug Policy in Slovakia and Other Countries  
Duration: 1.1.2014 / 21.12.2016  
Grant number: 2/0137/14  
„C“: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Type of project: VEGA  
Current Trends in the Development of Sociology in Slovakia – Paradigmatic Premises, Methodological Innovations, Science Personalities  
Duration: 1.1.2014 / 31.12.2016  
Grant number: 1/0641/14  
„W“: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Total sum for all VEGA grants in 2014: 16 382 €

<b>VEGA</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Funding in the year (EUR)</b>	30291	19704	23403	19208	30702	31317

#### **2.4.5. List of projects supported by EU Structural Funds**

#### **2.4.6. List of other projects funded from national resources**

#### **2021**

Type of project: Doktografant funding scheme of SAS for PhD students  
Flexibility of work careers of employees endangered by automation, 2021

Funding for the Institute: 2000€  
 „C“: Mgr. Ľubomír Šottník

## 2020

Type of project: Doktografant funding scheme of SAS for PhD students  
 The phenomenon of singles in Slovakia - typology and analysis of specific characteristics, 2020

Funding for the Institute: 2000€  
 „C“: Mgr. Zuzana Huráková

### 2.4.7. List of projects funded from private funds

### 2.4.8. List of projects funded from other competitive funds

## 2.5. PhD studies and educational activities

### 2.5.1. List of accredited programmes of doctoral studies, period of validity, source of funding

Sociology and Social Anthropology	since 2015	SAS and Comenius University
Sociology and Social Anthropology	since 2018	SAS and Trnava University

### 2.5.2. Summary table on doctoral studies (number of internal/external PhD students at the end of the year; number of foreign PhD students, number of students who successfully completed their theses during the year, number of PhD students who quit the programme during the year)

PhD study	2016			2017			2018			2019			2020			2021		
Number of potential PhD supervisors																		
PhD students	number, end of year	defended thesis	students quitted	number, end of year	defended thesis	students quitted	number, end of year	defended thesis	students quitted	number, end of year	defended thesis	students quitted	number, end of year	defended thesis	students quitted	number, end of year	defended thesis	students quitted
Internal total	2	0	0	4	0	0	7	0	0	8	0	1	9	0	0	7	1	0
from which foreign citizens	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
External	1	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Other supervised by the research employees of the institute																		

### 2.5.3. PhD carrier path – Information on the next career steps of the PhD graduates who received their degree from the institute

The first PhD students were admitted in the school year of 2016 / 2017. Therefore, there is currently only one PhD graduate from our PhD programme, two more will defend their theses in the next months. This PhD graduate is currently working at a project-funded post-doc position at the Institute. This position was open to applications from outside of the Institute and the PhD graduate was admitted as the best fit for the position.

The two PhD students who will defend their theses in the next few months both have received offers to work or are currently working at analytical units of Ministries in Slovakia which is a good fit given their obtained qualification in our PhD programme.

#### 2.5.4. Summary table on educational activities

Teaching	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Lectures (hours/year)*	526	519	549	480	459	460
Practicum courses (hours/year)*	37	36	84	10	20	14
Supervised diploma and bachelor thesis (in total)	25	10	11	19	16	12
Members in PhD committees (in total)	2	3	3	2	2	2
Members in DrSc. committees (in total)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Members in university/faculty councils (in total)	16	13	16	15	14	16
Members in habilitation/inauguration committees (in total)	1	1	1	1	1	2

#### 2.5.5. List of published university textbooks

#### 2.5.6. Number of published academic course books

#### 2.5.7. List of joint research laboratories/facilities with universities

Besides formal cooperation on the PhD study programme with the Department of Sociology of the Faculty of Arts at the Comenius University, we cooperate with the Department also in the Slovak participation in the ISSP and coordinate the operation of the Slovak Archive of Social Data.

#### 2.5.8. Supplementary information and/or comments on doctoral studies and educational activities – focused on what changes have occurred since the last evaluation in 2016

As was already mentioned, the PhD programme at the Institute was re-established only in 2016. Over the course of the evaluation period, we were able to attract strong candidates for the PhD programme. On average, two full-time and one part-time PhD positions were filled every year. Since the re-establishment of the PhD programme, the pool of candidates is becoming larger, even attracting graduates from universities outside of Slovakia. As mentioned above, besides the courses which were part of their study at the partner university, the Institute had provided the PhD students with a series of PhD seminars aimed at writing skills, using reference management applications, advice with preparing manuscripts and data analysis workshops. The recent approval of a new PhD guarantor in

2022, together with the attainment of senior researcher status by three researchers which enables them to become PhD supervisors in 2021 secures a successful continuation of the PhD programme at the Institute.

During the course of the evaluation period, a series of steps was introduced to strengthen the programme. These include a) a series of workshops by researchers from the Institute aimed at building academic skills of our students, b) support in applying in the Doctogrant grant scheme for doctoral students introduced by the SAS in 2019 and c) organizing mock PhD presentations with the aim to provide feedback and strengthen their thesis and its presentation when defending their PhDs

As was already mentioned in part 2.5.3., our first graduates are all able to find employment in positions which are well suited for their qualification obtained in our doctoral programme.

## 2.6. Societal impact

**2.6.1. The most important case studies of the research with direct societal impact, max. 4 for institute with up to 50 average FTE researchers per year, 8 for institutes with 50 – 100 average FTE researchers per year and so on. Structure: Summary of the impact; Underpinning research; References to the research; Details of the impact; Sources to corroborate the impact. One page per one case study**

**Case study 1: International comparative quantitative research with societal impact *EVS Scientific Tea Rooms 2018 - a series of educational events for secondary school students to promote critical thinking and debate on European values, views on human rights and attitudes to democracy.***

As a part of the popularisation of results from the international comparative research project EVS 2017 (EVS - European Values Study) members of the research team presented the results at **a series of educational events called Scientific Tea Rooms - Platform for Democratic Culture**. The Scientific Tea Rooms (ST) project was established as a scientific project of Académia Istropolitana Nova, the Helsinki Committee for Human Rights in Slovakia and the Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, bringing together institutions focused on civic education, active civic participation and youth awareness under the spirit of European values based on the traditions of humanism, pluralism, and peace. During 2018 the ST took place **in seven regions in Slovakia with the participation of more than 700 secondary school students and teachers**.

The aim of the ST was to challenge critical thinking, to start discussion among students and to show how Slovak citizens (and Europeans in general) perceive the world around them, how they react to contemporary conflict ideas and issues (value dilemmas) and what ideas and attitudes they prefer when talking about issues related to human values, culture of democracy and human rights.

Students had the opportunity to discuss the topics like democracy benefits, perceptions of tolerance, consequences of migration, globalization, extremism, as well as forms of solidarity and social justice principles. Researchers from the EVS team presented the students the results - the opinion and value preferences in order to explain the broader context of how individuals or larger social groups may differ in their views and attitudes when confronted with value dilemmas in democratic societies.

The discussions aimed to **improve several student's skills like argumentation skills, practice in dealing with controversial topics, insight into our stereotypes and prejudice, respect to others, comparing opinions or formulating conclusions**. An

important part of the presentations was the introduction of survey methodology and the use of time-series empirical data. To better understand these background information students had the opportunity to answer selected questions in the EVS questionnaire themselves - to test their views and attitudes on democracy and related topics. The data are available in **a special report - a sample of 720 secondary school students** from all municipalities in Slovakia. **Data for students' views on democracy were also compared with the results of the general population from the EVS 2017 survey wave.**

Reaching a wider public, the **results of the EVS 2017** were reported and communicated by publishing **regular press releases** using findings from the EVS survey related to the topics of **important international and festive days during 2018** (such as Labour Day, Mother's Day, Children's Day, World Environment Day, etc.). Ten published press releases recorded a **total of 108 downloads/distributions in print electronic (TV and radio) and social media, as well as several additional public talks about the details of press releases.**

## **Case study 2: Social science expertise supporting the COVID-19 pandemic response**

***Institute of Sociology actively entered the public discourse on the setting up of measures to cope with the epidemic not only through journalistic and scientific texts, but also through their participation in various expert groups. Expert knowledge was also based on data from several researches initiated by the Institute for Sociology.***

**Expertise** - Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Institute's staff has been involved in interdisciplinary collaborations of scientists in predicting or setting up tools and policies for life during an epidemic. Institute staff collaborated on **pandemic spread modeling** with the **Institute of Mathematics of the Slovak Academy of Sciences** and commented on **pandemic spread models from the Institute of Health Policy (IHP)** of the Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic. Several Institute staff commented on the system for automatic management of epidemiological measures and their release during a pandemic. As **part of the interdisciplinary initiative "Science Helps (Covid-19)"**, they monitored the development of the epidemic in Slovakia on a daily basis, regularly **commented on the strategies**, documents and measures of the Slovak Government and individual ministries (especially the Ministry of Health, Education and Economy), **provided numerous expert consultations**, formulated their own proposals for the management of the coronavirus pandemic in Slovakia, and published public statements on current epidemic issues. The Institute staff also developed **expertise on testing among at-risk groups**, particularly marginalized Roma communities, and consulted on the setting of research to evaluate the success of the vaccination lottery.

**Continuous research** - The Institute for Sociology was heavily involved in the continuous research of society in the time of the pandemic **"How are you, Slovakia?"**. This is a series of internet-based representative surveys.

A number of the Institute's staff participated in the development of the questionnaire and collaborated in the **publication of 34 press releases from twelve waves of research carried out in 2020 and 2021**, which are available on the Institute's website. The findings from this series of research have received **considerable media coverage** and have contributed to the **Institute's visibility as a center of social science expertise in relation to the pandemic**. The datasets from these studies are gradually being made available in the Slovak Social Data Archive. Also on the basis of the knowledge gained in this series of studies, several staff members of the Slovak Academy of Sciences have provided the advice and expertise mentioned above. For their participation in this project, the Institute's staff received the **Slovak Academy of Sciences Award for Popularization of Science and Social Applications of Science**.

The Institute of Sociology also conducted a survey in November 2020 on "**Values and Society during the Covid-19 Pandemic**". The survey focused on exploring topical issues in six thematic areas: social trust, politics and democracy, conspiracy theories, views on vaccination, the environment and leisure. The research was **carried out in the framework of** the international cooperation project "**European Values Study**" and resulted in **three press releases and a publication**. Also on the basis of the findings of this survey, several members of the Institute's staff have provided the advice and expertise mentioned above.



*Katarína Strapcová interviewed about findings from the "How are you, Slovakia?" research series.*

**International conference** - In 2021, the Institute of Sociology organized **international multidisciplinary online conference "People and Society in Times of the Pandemic"** (in cooperation with the Institute of Social Communication Research of the Slovak Academy of Sciences), which was devoted to various aspects of the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on society and individuals. The conference featured **25 papers from speakers from four countries** from various international institutions. A book of abstracts was also published from the conference. The conference attracted quite a lot of interest from the general public with approximately **300 online attendees** and also received a good response in the media.

### **Case study 3: Linking academic research, expertise and popularization of child poverty reduction**

**Pushing the topic via an interdisciplinary conference** - In 2018 Zuzana Kusá reaped the knowledge of her multiyear research of school inclusion and social situation of Roma children (2008 – 2011 and 2014 – 2016) and of ten years of her expert case studies (within the position of national expert DG employment for social inclusion 2004 - 2016) and prepared the concept of the multidisciplinary conference ***Child poverty and Deprivation and their Consequences on Life Chances***. The **conference** was held on June 21, 2018 in Bratislava and with almost **90 participants from social and medical science, central public administration, helping professions, education, etc.** In the conference first part the invited scientists (a) presented the findings of social and medical sciences on the effects of child poverty and deprivation on the cognitive and social progress of children, (b) critically assessed existing measures to reduce child poverty and (c) highlighted the need for stronger public policy intervention in this area. The lectures as well as the next part of the conference comprising the panel discussions representatives of the public administration, the civic sector and academia on the topics of adequate income, adequate housing, early intervention and pre-school education aroused a wide and critical discussion among the conference participants. They finally adopted a **[joint statement](#) prepared** by the conference program committee which asks responsible bodies and institutions of Slovakia to fulfil more consistently human rights obligations in this area outlined by the commitments and recommendations resulting from the signing the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, the Treaty of the European Union and the Commission Recommendation of 20 February 2013 Investing in children: a way out of the vicious circle of disadvantage and European Pillar of Social Rights

**Agenda Noticed by the Government Program Manifesto** - The book ***Behind the sharp borderline*** by Zuzana Kusá, which was published in the same year, comprised the same appeals as the conference and considered barriers and possibilities of solidarity of Slovak public with Roma minority children. This book, the conference as well as the **widely shared**

press release ( May 31, 2018) [Poverty continues to hold up life chances of children of Slovakia](#) that anticipated the conference, have contributed to the increased **interest of the mass media and the political opposition** to the issues of child poverty and finally **led to much more extensive attention to the fight against child poverty and minority children education in the newly elected Government Program Manifesto** (compared to the previous governments Manifestos).

**Advising the president** - Thanks to her effort to set the issues of poverty and solidarity on public agenda **Zuzana Kusá** was invited to be a **member of Advisers board of the president of Slovakia** Zuzana Čaputová (2019-2020). She was also awarded by the **S.A.S. Popularisation Price** (2019) and a the **Pelikán Award** for cultivating political and civil dialogue from the Czech magazine Listy. Since 2018 Zuzana Kusá also serves as the member of *Child and Youth Committee* by the Slovak Government Council for Human Rights, ethnic minorities and Gender equality.

#### **Case study 4: Conspiracy theories and the trust relation between the state and its citizens – from inovative research approach with social impact**

The initial research interest of Elzbieta Drazkiewicz was on medical trust and the relation between the state and its citizens. She examined medical conspiracy theories and the ways in which they redefine patient-doctor and citizens-public health relations. Specifically, she focused on the reasons behind a 30% drop in the HPV vaccination uptake in Ireland vis-à-vis the 2018 Cervical Check scandal. This scandal concerned a conspiracy within Irish Health Services Executive management to conceal deficiencies with the cervical cancer screening services. Unlike other scholars of conspiracy theories, who focus on knowledge deficiency, her approach saw the growing vaccine hesitancy as a signal of trust deficiency and the deliberating relationship between Irish state, Irish women, and welfare and healthcare industries. The findings of that research resulted in a chapter (co-authored by Dr Drazkiewicz with Prof. Elisa Sobo) in 'Viral Loads' (UCL Press, 2021) – a volume edited by Nancy Burke, Ayo Wahlberg, and Lenore Manderson. It also led to a special issue 'Does truth matter? The role of social sciences and humanities in dealing with conspiracy theories' which Dr Drazkiewicz coedited with dr. Jaron Harambam (VU University Amsterdam), and which appeared in *Journal for Cultural Research*. Most recently dr Drazkiewicz was commissioned by Berghahn books to publish with them a monograph on conspiracy theories. We are also particularly proud that the ground-breaking approach to conspiracy theories exhibited in this project led to the **invited publication in Nature** (*Study Conspiracy theories with Compassion* Nature 603:7903. p.765 <https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-022-00879-w>).

This work lead to three funded research projects:

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|---------|--|
| 2022-25 | CHANSE: Researching Europe, Digitalisation, and Conspiracy Theories (REDACT), principal investigator, (approx. 1.5mln Euro),   |
| 2022-26 | Slovak Min. of Education and Science: APVV: Pandemic Truths: A Comparative Study of Conflicts Over Conspiracy Theories in Visegrad Countries, (project leader, 228,884 Euro) |
| 2022-26 | Slovak Min. of Education and Science: VEGA scheme: Conflicts Over Truth in Poland and Slovakia (project leader, grant secured, approx. value €12,000)                        |

Dr Drazkiewicz ERC starting grant: CONSPIRATIONS: Conflicts Over Conspiracy Theories in Europe (project leader, 1,5mln Euro) has also been shortlisted and progressed to the second (interview) round which will take place in September 2022

The innovative approach to the study of conspiracy theories presented by Dr Drazkiewicz has been highly appreciated by the Irish medical community, leading to tight **cooperation with the Health Protection and Surveillance Centre in Dublin** (2018). On several

occasions, she was invited to give talks to the members of the HPSC and National Immunisation Office and inform their practice. She was also a guest speaker at the most prestigious Scientific Meeting of the Public Health Department of the **Royal College of Surgeons** in Ireland. In November 2021 she was invited to provide an expert statement at **the British Parliament, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Artificial Intelligence**.

**2.6.2. List of the most important studies and/or other activities commissioned for the decision-making authorities, the government and NGOs, international and foreign institutes (title, name of institution, contract value, purpose (max 20 words))**

Researchers from the Institute provided a total of 72 studies and expertises in the 2016 to 2021 period. We list a selection of the most important activities.

**2021**

*Dehumanization - expert opinion*

Addressee of expertise: National Crime Agency

Author of the expertise: PhDr. Zuzana Kusá, CSc.

Description: Elaboration of answers to eight questions concerning social scientific knowledge about dehumanization processes and also an assessment of the specific case, 19 pages.

*Science Helps Covid -19*

Addressee of expertise: Slovak government, especially the Ministry of Health Care, the general public

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Jana Lindbloom, PhD.

Description: Expert commentaries on the drafts of strategies and documents to manage the coronavirus pandemic, publishing practical advice for the general public, participation at interdisciplinary expert meetings and public debates

*Classification of religious groups in the results of the population census in Slovakia 2021*

Addressee of expertise: Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Miroslav Tížik, PhD.

Description: Following a request, a proposal has been prepared for a possible classification of Religious Groups, Movements and Categories from the results of the 2021 Census of Housing and Residential Population

*The evolution of public opinion on drug issues. Research report.*

Addressee of expertise: Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic, National Monitoring Centre for Drugs

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Description: Research report, 30 pages.

**2020**

*Scientific analysis and advice on gender equality in the EU: Country report 2 S 2019 Slovakia, January 2020*

Addressee of expertise: Fondazione G. Brodolini a European Commission DG Justice

Author of the expertise: PhDr. Magdalena Piscová, CSc.

Description: Expert report on the situation of gender equality in Slovakia for the 2nd half of 2019 and monthly monitoring of changes and measures in the field of gender equality, 29 pages.

*Gambling in the Slovak Republic in 2019. Report from research.*

Addressee of expertise: Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic, National Monitoring Centre for Drugs

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Description: Report from research, 49 pages.

*Research and analysis of regional social dialogue in Slovakia*

Addressee of expertise: Centre for Social Dialogue and Trade Union Confederation

Author of the expertise: prof. PhDr. Monika Čambáliková, CSc.

Description: Elaboration and implementation of research and analysis of the state and development of the regional social dialogue in Slovakia.

*Expert group for Covid testing in marginalized communities*

Addressee of expertise: Slovak government – The committee for Covid-19 epidemics

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Jana Lindbloom, PhD.

Description: Interdisciplinary expert group created to design Covid testing in marginalized communities

Evaluation of the research and professional activity of research oriented institutes of the Czech Academy of Sciences for the period 2015 - 2019

Authors of the expertise: PhDr. Katarina Moravanska, PhD

Description: Provision of evaluating expert reviews of assigned research outputs (books, chapters or journal papers)

## **2019**

*Member of the board of the Advisers of the President of Slovakia Zuzana Čaputová.*

Description: As an presidential adviser, Zuzana Kusá focused on social issues and especially the issues of deinstitutionalisation and humanisation of social services for seniors, financial situation of households and housing deprivation.

*Institutional Evaluation of Research Output at Charles University of the period 2014-2018*

Addressee of expertise: Charles University, Prague

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Jana Lindbloom, PhD.

Description: Provision of evaluating expert reviews of 13 assigned research outputs (books, chapters or journal papers)

*Population survey on drug, alcohol, tobacco use and gambling*

Addressee of expertise: Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic, National Monitoring Centre for Drugs

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Description: Consultation on questionnaire design and choice of research methodology.

## **2018**

*Two expert analytical reports concerning public opinions on the Census of Inhabitants, Houses and Apartments 2021*

Addressee of expertise: Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic

Author of the expertise: Zuzana Kusá

Description: Proposed and prepared scripts of the focused debates about (a) manageability of electronic form of the Census by various social groups and (b) possibility to indicate more ethnic belonging and more “mother” tongues in the Census Questionnaire, analyses of qualitative data from the focus groups and two analytic reports.

*Attestation Committee of the Institute of Sociology of the Czech Academy of Sciences*

Addressee of expertise: Institute of Sociology of the Czech Academy of Sciences

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Ing. Miloslav Bahna, PhD.

Description: Member of Attestation Committee of the Institute for the 2018 to 2022 period

## 2017

*Social dialogue in the documents of international organizations and the EU*

Addressee of expertise: Implementing Agency of the Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family

Author of the expertise: prof. PhDr. Monika Čambáliková, CSc.

Description: Development of a document and proposal for an educational activity

*Research on trust in the Slovak judiciary*

Addressee of expertise: Supreme Court of the Slovak Republic

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Description: Research design, questions, data processing and final report of the research.

*Developments in public opinion on drug issues: analysis of data from of the survey "Prevalence of drugs, alcohol and smoking 2015"*

Addressee of expertise: Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic, National Monitoring Centre for Drugs

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Description: Analyzing data and writing a final report on research findings, 28 pages.

*Drafting of comments on the draft amendment to the Act on Assistance in Material Need*

Addressee of expertise: Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic, Slovak Network Against Poverty

Author of the expertise: PhDr. Zuzana Kusá, CSc.

Description: Drafting of substantive comments on the amended points and participation in the contradictory procedure.

## 2016

*Background to the Bratislava Spatial Development Forecast up to 2050 from sociological and socio-spatial perspective*

Addressee of expertise: Municipality of the Capital City of the Slovak Republic Bratislava

Author of the expertise: PhDr. Peter Gajdoš, CSc.

Description: Elaboration of expert recommendations on the Spatial Development Forecast of Bratislava from the sociological point of view

*Hate crimes-monitoring civil working group. Budapest, Hungary*

Addressee of expertise: Hungarian Helsinki Committee

Author of the expertise: prof. András László Pap, DrSc.

Description: Expert expert recommendations on hate crimes - monitoring

*Confidence of the Slovak public in the courts*

Addressee of expertise: Judicial Council of the Slovak Republic, VIA IURIS (NGO)

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Robert Klobucký, PhD.

Description: Preparation and analysis of the Judicial Confidence Survey. Writing the research report.

*Evaluation report on the Train to Care courses*

Addressee of expertise: CARITAS / Slovenská katolícka charita

Author of the expertise: Mgr. Ing. Miloslav Bahna, PhD., PhDr. Magdalena Piscová, CSc.

Description: Evaluation of TRAIN TO CARE courses aimed at Slovak care workers in Austria organised by CARITAS in their project Rundum Zuhause Betreut

Contract value: 5 600 €

**2.6.3. List of contracts and research projects with industrial and other commercial partners, incl. revenues (study title, name of institution, contract value, country of partner, purpose (max 20 words))**

The Institute cooperates with its commercial partners Seesame (communication agency) and MNForce (research agency maintaining an online survey panel) in the "How are you, Slovakia?" survey Series which has since March 2020 already been fielded 14 times with two additional special surveys. This cooperation is ongoing, however, it is not formalized by a contract. The commercial partners agreed to the philosophy of making all survey data produced in this collaboration freely available for secondary analysis via the Slovak Archive of Social Data.

**2.6.4.1 List of intangible fixed assets (internally registered IP (confidential know-how), patent applications, patents granted, trademarks registered) denoting background IPR**

**2.6.4.2 List of licences sold abroad and in Slovakia, incl. revenues (background IPR identification, name of institution, contract value, country of partner, purpose (max 20 words))**

**2.6.5. Summary of relevant activities, max. 300 words (describe the pipeline of valorization in terms of Number of disclosure, Number of registered IP internally, number of CCR/LIC contracts and their respective summary values, the support you are receiving in specific points internally at the institute, at SAS, externally – also the limitations and drawbacks.**

**2.7. Popularisation of Science (outreach activities)**

**2.7.1. List of the most important popularisation activities, max. 20 items**

This is a list of **major popularisation activities** by researchers from the Institute. If appropriate, several activities are presented as a series. The presented activities are only **a small sample** of the **almost 700 documented activities** (see table 2.7.2. below) and of further **numerous minor media** mentions (e. g. short comments on TV and radio or quotes in newspaper articles) of research and researchers at the Institute which are not documented.

***Press release series***

**"How are you, Slovakia?"** - A series of 34 press releases based on results from the research series "How are you, Slovakia?" on society in the time of the pandemic, includes press releases from twelve waves of research carried out in 2020 and 2021, all press releases are available on the Institute's website.

**"European Values Study"** - A series of 11 press releases based on results from the research "European Values Study" devoted to the issue of different values in Slovakia. Press releases were published between 2017 and 2019 and are all available on the Institute's website.

**"International Social Survey Programme (ISSP)"** - Eight press releases published from different rounds of the ISSP survey (2017-2021) on topics such as work, trust, corruption, etc. All press releases are available on the Institute's website.

**"Values and Society during the Covid-19 Pandemic"** - Three press releases (2020-2021) from the survey "Values and Society during the Covid-19 Pandemic", all press releases are available on the Institute's website.

### **Major op-eds series by researchers from the Institute**

A series of over 80 opinion columns in the daily *Pravda* between 2018 and 2021 by Zuzana Kusá. They deal with various social issues from living conditions, access to education, housing, social services to more general topic of solidarity, respect to human dignity and power of language.

A series of 27 commentaries in 2019 to 2021 by Zuzana Sekeráková Búriková in the *SME* daily. The aim of the regular monthly commentaries is to provide views on important social phenomena from the perspective of social sciences including: gender and care, pandemics, organization of work and care during pandemics, systemic and institutional racism, and education.

A series of four articles on the coronavirus epidemic in the daily newspaper "Denník N". Years 2020 and 2021, for example: "Slovakia has an important advantage during an epidemic. We have the fewest elderly people in the Union and they often live alone." <https://dennikn.sk/1810036/slovensko-ma-pocas-epidemie-dolezitu-vyhodu-mame-najmenej-starych-ludi-v-unii-a-casto-ziju-osamelo/> by Miloslav Bahna, Robert Klobucký.

### **Interviews with researchers from the Institute (selection)**

Interview with Katarína Moravanská: Moving People from Cities Can Cause their Decline in *SME* daily in 9.6.2018: <https://mytrencin.sme.sk/c/20845868/stahovanie-ludi-z-miest-moze-sposobit-ich-upadok.html>

Interview with Miloslav Bahna in the economic weekly *TREND* about his research of international student migration: "Sociologist: The image of Slovak universities is bad" <https://www.trend.sk/trend-archiv/sociolog-slovenske-univerzity-maju-zly-imidz>

Interview for *HN* daily newspaper with Robert Klobucký: Sociologist Robert Klobucký: Slovaks don't trust enough, during a pandemic we pay for it. <https://hnonline.sk/style/osobnosti/3117704-sociolog-robert-klobucky-slovaci-doveruju-malo-pri-pandemii-na-to-doplacame>

Extensive interview for the *Denník N* newspaper about census in Slovakia with Marianna Mrva. *Denník N*. November 16, 2020. Available on the internet: <https://dennikn.sk/2144699/mozeme-mat-vazbu-k-viacerym-narodnostiam-a-treba-umoznit-aby-sme-to-vyjadрили-hovori-sociologicka-o-scitani-ludu/?ref=list>

### **Other major popularisation activities**

A series of educational events called *Scientific Tea Rooms - Platform for Democratic Culture*. During the course of 2018 taking place in seven regions in Slovakia with the participation of more than 700 secondary school students and teachers. The project was established by Académia Istropolitana Nova, the Helsinki Committee for Human Rights in Slovakia and the Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, bringing together institutions focused on civic education, active civic participation and youth awareness under the spirit of European values based on the traditions of humanism, pluralism, and peace.



"We suffer consequences of low levels of trust among Slovak people" Robert Klobucký from the Institute in a profile interview for the *HN* daily about trust and societal impacts of the coronavirus pandemic

Linking academic research, expertise and popularization of child poverty reduction via an interdisciplinary conference "*Child poverty and Deprivation and their Consequences on Life Chances*". The conference was held on June 21, 2018 in Bratislava and with almost 90 participants from social and medical science, central public administration, helping professions, education, etc.

Zuzana Kusá: Book *Behind the sharp borderline* (Za ostrou hranicou, Bratislava: Absynt Kalligram, 2018) dealing with poverty of Roma children and context and consequences of its neglect by public policy and public opinion. The book brings a reflection on poverty and social exclusion in Slovakia to the wider public employing the form of an essayist text.

A series of presentations on the coronavirus epidemic by Jana Lindbloom in 2021. For example: Coronavirus is still here. Be careful and help to improve the epidemic situation. Set of practical information and advice about the pandemics. Science Helps Initiative (Veda pomáha), April 2, 2021. (available online: <https://vedapomaha.sk/2021/04/03/suhrn-praktickych-informacii-o-pandemii/>)

A series of speeches on public opinion and environmental issues by Katarína Strapcová between 2017 and 2021. For example: Climate change and public opinion. Online lecture series. Slovak Centre of Scientific and Technical Information. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s2\\_BnXvZ1xo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s2_BnXvZ1xo)

Numerous quotes of Miloslav Bahna by two Dutch NRC Handelsblad articles on COVID-19 in Slovakia, for example: Massaal testen: Alleen nog met testbriefje naar buiten in Slowakije, NRC Handelsblad, commenting the massive antigen testing in Slovakia for a Netherlands daily newspaper, NRC Handelsblad 7.2.2021

Dominik Želinský (2021): False Dawn over Prague. Eurozine. Vienna. The essay deals with the change of the Czech government after the elections as well as deeper tendencies in the development of Czech politics. <https://www.eurozine.com/false-dawn-over-prague/>

A highly cited and shared blog by Ela Draskiewicz (2021): Blinded by The Light: International Precariat in Academia, (more than 850 shares across social media, one of the most popular articles on Focaal Blog which is a key platform for popularizing anthropology in Europe) <https://cutt.ly/ZU3PEvn>

A series of texts on social inequalities and work by Petr Mezihorák including: The birth of the servant class: are we on the threshold of a new type of inequality? <https://denikreferendum.cz/clanek/33443-zrod-tridy-sluzebniku-jsme-na-prahu-noveho-typu-nerovnosti>

### 2.7.2. Table of outreach activities according to institute annual reports

Outreach activities	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	total
Articles in press media/internet popularising results of science, in particular those achieved by the Organization	128	74	56	50	49	59	416
Appearances in telecommunication media popularising results of science, in particular those achieved by the Organization	39	56	34	22	28	36	215
Public popularisation lectures	5	3	5	18	10	11	52

## 2.8. Background and management. Infrastructure and human resources, incl. support and incentives for young researchers

## 2.8.1. Summary table of personnel

### 2.8.1.1. Professional qualification structure (as of 31 December 2021)

	Degree/rank				Research position		
	DrSc./DSc	CSc./PhD.	professor	docent/ assoc. prof.	I.	II.a.	II.b.
<b>Male</b>	0	8	0	0	1	4	3
<b>Female</b>	0	10	2	0	0	5	5

I. – director of research with a degree of doctor of science/DrSc.

II.a – Senior researcher

II.b – PhD holder/Postdoc

### 2.8.1.2. Age and gender structure of researchers (as of 31 December 2021)

Age structure of researchers	< 31		31-35		36-40		41-45		46-50		51-55		56-60		61-65		> 65	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
<b>Male</b>	1,0	0,1	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0	0,0	0,0	3,0	3,0	0,0	0,0	1,0	1,0	0,0	0,0	2,0	0,6
<b>Female</b>	0,0	0,0	1,0	1,0	0,0	0,0	2,0	2,0	2,0	2,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	2,0	2,0	1,0	1,0

A – number

B – FTE

## 2.8.2. Postdoctoral fellowships (list of positions with holder name, starting date, duration. Add brief information about each fellow's career path before and after receiving PhD degree, etc.)

### 2.8.2.1. MoRePro and SASPRO fellowships

Konceptualizovanie a operacionalizovanie etnicity: Stredo a východoeurópske skúsenosti (*Conceptualizing and operationalising ethnicity: Central-East European experiences*)

Coordinator: *András László Pap*

Duration: 15.1.2016 / 31.12.2018

Grant number: 1426/03/03

Contract Value: SASPRO: 79 164 €

Sociológia krízy: vizualizácia politiky škrtov v urbánnom priestore (*Sociology of Crisis: Visualising Urban Austerity*)

Coordinator: *Myrto Tsilimpounidi*

Duration: 1.10.2015 / 30.9.2018

Grant number: 1176/02/03

Contract Value: SASPRO: 49 035 €

### 2.8.2.2. Stefan Schwarz fellowships

Jozef Zagrapan (awarded in 2019)

Dominik Želinský (awarded in 2020)

Petr Mezihorák (awarded in 2022)

### 2.8.2.3. Postdoctoral positions from other resources (specify)

Jozef Zagraban (7/2016, APVV funded)

Marianna Mrva (9/2020, APVV funded)

### 2.8.3. Important research infrastructure introduced during the evaluation period with the information about the sources of funding (max. 2 pages)

#### **Slovak Archive of Social Data - National service provider of the CESSDA ERIC**

The institute maintains the Slovak Archive of Social Data (<http://sasd.sav.sk>), an archive, which is a service provider of the **CESSDA ERIC infrastructure**, in which **Slovakia became a founding member in 2017**, when CESSDA was established in the legal form of an ERIC infrastructure. The archive has been in operation since 2005 and provides access to data files from – mostly representative – surveys carried out in Slovakia in the period from 1968 to 2021. Currently (2021), the archive hosts 74 data files. **Between 2016 and 2021, the archive provided data files for secondary analysis to 1878 users.** Users of the SASD include academics, researchers, students of sociology and related disciplines, and foreign experts on Slovakia and Central Europe.



*Miloslav Bahna from the Institute in a panel discussion with the director of NSD (Norway) Bjørn Henrichsen, Alexia Katsanidou, director of the Data Archive for the Social Sciences at GESIS and Matthew Woollard, Director of UK Data Archive at the Official Launch of CESSDA ERIC, 2017 in Bergen*

The archive plays also an important role in enhancing the level and standardization of survey documentation. It also serves as a survey question database, enhancing the replicability and comparability of surveys in Slovakia. (Data from all rounds of the ISSP and EVS surveys are available from the archive as well as the pandemic survey series “How are you, Slovakia?”) The archive is also in active cooperation with existing research projects at the Institute which supplement the limited funding of ERIC infrastructures on the state level which currently covers only membership fees and travel expenditures. Other running costs are covered from the budget of the Institute. In the evaluation period, the archive participated in several internal

CESSDA work plan projects and is planning to apply for the Core trust seal certified trustworthy data repository certification.

#### **The library of the Institute with an online catalogue**

The Institute's library has an online catalogue of its approximately 10 thousand library items. Besides serving the internal scientific community of the Institute and the Academy, it has provided its library services to dozens of researchers and students outside of SAS.

#### **Preparatory work on digitized qualitative data archive**

During 2019 - 2021 basic work was carried out in building an archive of qualitative data, which will be part of the Slovak Social Data Archive after completion and fulfilment of the required

documentation and ethical standards. We have processed (digitized and arranged) materials from the three qualitative research projects: the letter poll *Common knowledge* conducted in 1990 (more than 200 letters containing authentic experience of the events of the Velvet Revolution 1989), to catalogue accompanying written documents; digitized audio recordings of life history narratives and ensured their literal transcripts from the two qualitative projects *the 20th century in families of Slovak intelligence* (1992-1993) and *Social History of Poverty* (1995-1997) and arranged written documents from these projects. Data corpora from the projects have been created in the Atlas.ti software program, which are currently available in internal operation and used in PhD doctoral research.

## **2.9. Supplementary information and/or comments on all items 2.1 – 2.8 (max. 2 pages in total for the whole section)**

The Institute supports open access publication and research data sharing. All articles in the flagship journal of the Institute - *Sociológia* are published in the platinum open-access model where publication costs are fully covered by the Institute and no costs are covered by the author.

All research data produced by the Institute is made available via the Slovak Archive of Social Data. This includes also data produced within the “How are you, Slovakia?” survey series where the Institute cooperates also with partners outside of the Academia.

The Institute supports also the access of the public to public opinion polls results and was the first to issue a public statement against a law prohibiting publication of electoral survey results 50 days prior to parliamentary elections approved by the Slovak parliament in 2019 (<http://sociologia.sav.sk/podujatia.php?id=3108>). This law was deemed unconstitutional in 2021 by the Slovak Constitutional Court.

## **3. Implementation of the recommendations from the previous evaluation period**

The overall evaluation from the previous assessment period was generally favorable, awarding the Institute the status of a “B” institute assigned a special mention, being one of the three institutes evaluated as “B+” from the social sciences and humanities section of SAS.

The review from the 2012 – 2015 evaluation period provided the following recommendations which were addressed in the institute action plan adopted in 2017:

### **Comments and recommendations for further improvement of the institute**

*“It is advisable not to broaden the portfolio, as is suggested in the strategic part of the report; in fact, the opposite would be desirable. Stronger strategic thinking would result in one or two flagship projects around which long-term interinstitutional collaborations could be built with frequent mutual exchanges of students and visiting scholars.*

*The Institute may want to invest more in H2020 applications: ERC and Societal Challenges included. More efforts to organize international conferences are advisable.”*

### **Research portfolio and strategic collaborations**

The call for a flagship project was implemented by the APVV-supported HODYSE project, which focused on the European Values Study and brought together a large part of the research capacities of the Institute. Another example is the long-term cooperation on the ISSP comparative survey series with the department of Sociology at the Faculty of Arts of Comenius university. The overall aim is to build teams around large projects which will focus either on international comparative research or

on topics where a considerable amount of expertise within the Institute can be mobilized.

In addition to these projects, we approached the call for a **concentration of effort and a clear research focus** in the previous evaluation via three strategies. The first is **our PhD programme**, established at the beginning of the current evaluation period, which enables strong scientific personalities from the Institute to establish or strengthen their research teams. This has been successfully applied in several current projects with active PhD student participation. The second strategy involves **creating post-doctoral positions in large national projects** supported by the national grant agency (APVV). These post-docs strengthen the personnel capacities of the project teams and help create synergies. A third strategy is a general **push towards more collaborative authorship**. A growing share of the Institute's output is co-authored, with multiple authors from the Institute.

**Fostering inter-institutional cooperation**, the Institute has become a member of the European Consortium for Sociological Research (<https://ecsrnet.eu/>), which is a professional organization of leading institutions in the field of sociology that promotes theoretically driven empirical research. Establishing cooperation with academic organisations in other neighboring countries and further abroad, the Institute has joined a six-party agreement between the Institute of Sociology of the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Peking, the Institute of Sociology at the Center of Social Sciences of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in Budapest, the Institute for Philosophy and Sociology at the Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw, the Institute for Philosophy and Sociology of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences in Sophia, and the Institute of Sociology of the Czech Academy of Sciences. Cooperation with our Czech partners is based also on a separate cooperation agreement between the Institute and the Institute of Sociology of the Czech Academy of Sciences and is supported by a mutual presence in various academic management bodies (accreditation committees, steering committee and international advisory board) and mutual editorial board membership in the *Sociológia* and *Sociologický časopis – Czech Sociological Review* journals.

### Horizon and ERC applications

The institute has been very active in participating in projects submitted under the Horizon programme. In the evaluation period, the Institute **participated in 12 project proposals**. Compared to the previous evaluation period, researchers from the Institute actively participated in a few new COST project proposals and are active in several ongoing COST projects, some as Management committee members.

The Institute has also been very active in preparing ERC project proposals. Two proposals were submitted in the 2017 and 2018 StG calls – one by core staff member and one by a SASPRO fellow. One proposal has been submitted in the 2022 StG call, which **successfully passed phase 1 evaluation**. The PI was **invited for interview** in September 2022. This is an extremely promising result, as projects from the CEE region, particularly from Slovakia, tend to be very unsuccessful in the first evaluation phase.

### International conferences

With regard to international conferences (co)organized by the Institute, the list of conferences in the previous assessment period included three conferences. The current list is notably more extensive.

Several of these conferences also had a **strong presence of researchers beyond the CEE region** - a notable example being the General Assembly of the ISSP programme, which was held in June 2022 in Bratislava and included over 60 social scientists from 40 countries around the world.

#### **4. Research strategy and future development of the institute for the next five years** (Recommended 3 pages, max. 5 pages)

**Research strategy of the institute in the national and international contexts, objectives, and methods (including the information on when the strategy was adopted)**

The starting position of the Institute in the current evaluation period of 2016 to 2021 was rather favorable. The Institute had re-established its position as a provider of PhD studies in 2015 (in collaboration with the Department of Sociology at the Faculty of Arts of Comenius University) and admitted its first students in 2016. Also, it had been evaluated quite favorably in the 2012 - 2015 SAS evaluation which was made public in early 2017.

In the evaluated period, many of the positive developments from the previous period were developed further. The Institute joined the consortium of leading research institutions in sociology in Europe (European Consortium for Sociological Research, <https://ecsnet.eu>) and became a founding member (representing Slovakia) of the CESSDA ERIC, founded in 2017 in Norway. Following a recommendation from the evaluation, an International Advisory Board has been established at the Institute.

Supported by three major national APVV grants, efforts in collaborative comparative research programmes have continued to place the Institute on the map of European sociology. Research team from the Institute was actively participating in all European Values Study (EVS) project network activities and joint projects, and is currently involved in the preparation of the next, sixth wave of the EVS survey in 2026. The Institute has taken an even stronger and more active role in the development of research topics for the 2022 (Family and Changing gender roles) and 2023 (National identity and Citizenship) ISSP modules and in organizing meetings, such as the ISSP DG 2022 meeting in 2020 and the **General Assembly of the ISSP programme, which was held in June 2022 in Bratislava** and included over 60 social scientists from 40 countries around the world. The Institute has also been more active with regard to international conferences (co)organized by the Institute (see part 2.3.2.).

The Institute was among the first in the area of social sciences and humanities at SAS to recognize the potential of the ERC grant scheme. With three applications submitted in 2016, 2017 and 2021, it is perhaps also the most active in this regard among the social sciences at the Academy. Most importantly, the most **recent application has successfully passed step 1 of the evaluation in the ERC** which is already an extraordinary achievement as Slovakia has a very low success rate in ERC projects. In fact, it is the worst in the EU. Success in the ERC competition has therefore become a matter of general prestige for the whole science system in Slovakia, which we, as a nationally leading Institute, consider our responsibility to help attain. Besides preparing project proposals, we also maintain active contact with ongoing ERC projects since two researchers from the Institute had post-doc positions in ERC projects and one research fellow is a member of the advisory board of one ERC project and serves as an independent ethics advisor in another.

The Institute has continued to focus on research quality by substantially increasing its output in the most selective peer-reviewed journals. This can be seen either by the simple metric of IF quartiles, where publications from the Institute form a disproportionately large share of Q1 publications in the overall output of the social sciences and humanities at SAS or by the Norwegian Register for Scientific Journals, Series and Publishers (the so called "Nordic list" [https://kanalregister.hkdir.no/publiseringskanaler/Forside?request\\_locale=en](https://kanalregister.hkdir.no/publiseringskanaler/Forside?request_locale=en)) – a journal metric based on peer review panels developed by the Norwegian Directorate for Higher Education and Skills and used by the SAS to identify excellent publications in the social sciences and humanities where the application of simple citation-based metrics is rather limited. Authors from the Institute have repeatedly **published in journals identified as being among the top 20% in their field** ("level two" journals in the Nordic list). Our publications have tended to be more frequently published in selective publication outlets as time goes on, so there are even more of those articles towards the

end of the evaluation period. The same tendency is true for book publications. In the evaluation period, several monographs at leading scientific publishers were published. A transfer of know-how from the two SASPRO scholars who published their monographs while at the Institute was an important aspect of this development which helped other authors from the Institute to prepare a well-evaluated book proposal. **Publications** from the Institute were **awarded several prizes** by the Academy as well as other institutions.

Beyond doing research, publishing and supervising students in our own PhD programme at the Academy, researchers from the Institute were involved in teaching courses at several universities in Slovakia, in the Czech Republic, and Austria. Our faculty members are editors or editorial board members of numerous international journals (*Central and Eastern European Migration Review*, *New Perspectives*, *Irish Journal of Anthropology, Religion and Society in Central and Eastern Europe*, *Sociologický Časopis*, and *Biograf*). They are also active in providing **expertise to governmental and public institutions** in Slovakia and beyond. These include expert statements at the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Artificial Intelligence of the British Parliament and the Scottish Land Commission of the Scottish Government. Our researchers also served as policy advisors during the COVID-19 pandemic (see case study in part 2.6.1.).

The institute continues to **excel in popularization**, extending its media presence via even more numerous media appearances than in the previous evaluation period. Several researchers write op-eds for national newspapers in Slovakia, and three researchers have a regular column in major national newspapers. Through our strong media presence, including a **commissioned commentary** for the World View column in the *Nature journal*, the period of the pandemic became a well-used opportunity to generate societal impact. In the evaluation period, three Academy popularization prizes were awarded to researchers from the Institute. The Institute also has an active social media presence with a solid pool of followers.

### ***Personal politics and internationalization***

The rightly identified need for rejuvenation of the Institute noticed by the previous evaluation board was addressed via a **series of new openings** which were advertised through EURAXESS and widely circulated via our professional networks and social media. This **attracted strong candidates** who were typically graduates from top ranking universities (i. e. Cambridge university, the University of Edinburgh and Tilburg University) or had gained research experience abroad in ERC financed post-doctoral positions. This has also paved the road to the internationalization of the Institute, as two of the newly admitted researchers are foreign nationals from Poland and the Czech Republic. Three junior researchers employed in the evaluation period were successful in obtaining the SAS Stefan Schwarz stipend for attracting post-doctoral researchers, which is awarded on a competitive basis. One junior researcher placed second in the SAS prize for talented scholars under 35.

Another avenue for staff recruitment was through **project-based post-doctoral positions** which were **opened in 2016 and 2020** by major APVV projects involved in comparative research. Overall, these openings brought a welcome decline in the average age of the research staff and also more disciplinary diversity by opening the Institute to trained social anthropologists and political scientists.

A similar effort was aimed at attracting strong candidates for the PhD programme. Every year, the Institute was able to fill on average one part-time and two full-time PhD positions. Generally, the **pool of candidates became larger** and also **attracted graduates from universities outside of Slovakia**. Besides the courses which were part of their study at our partner university, the Institute provided the PhD students with a series of seminars aimed at writing skills, using reference management applications, preparing manuscripts, and data analysis. The recent **approval of a new PhD guarantor**, together with the attainment of senior researcher status by three researchers, which enables them to become PhD supervisors, secures the continuation of the PhD programme at the Institute.

Part of the personnel policy of the Institute was to keep ties with older generations of researchers retiring from the institute. Therefore, an emeritus researcher status was established and awarded to several of the former senior research fellows at the Institute.

With regard to personnel, the Institute grew by more than three full time equivalent research positions from 18.2 in 2019 to 21.3 in 2021. This was accompanied by an adaptation of two new office spaces for permanent and temporary work at the Institute's premises.

## **Future development**

The plan for the coming years is to continue in what we perceive as a rather favorable development with regard to scientific quality and research impact. We see further potential in internationalizing our PhD study programme by forming co-tutelle agreements with our partners in neighboring countries or with partners in the ECSR consortium. In 2022, we began a programme of **mock PhD defenses** to provide feedback and prepare the presentations of our PhD students who are finalizing their theses for submission.

The existing know-how in global academic publishing, the advice of the International Advisory Board of the Institute, the scientific cooperation, mutual exchange of ideas and feedback via a series of work in progress seminars, as well as a **growing share of co-authored works** are all tools which we believe can create synergies and inspire solid research with societal impact at the Institute. To increase our success at publishing in the most selective outlets, we plan to introduce and support reading programmes: **all prospective research outputs will be read or discussed before they are submitted** to a journal by a colleague of similar expertise.

With regard to personnel development and performance monitoring, we plan to continue conducting well-established annual performance evaluations, which take into an account performance in the current year and a two-year rolling average of research performance points, and 5 years personal evaluations providing more qualitative insights and career advice to individual researchers. The recent development regarding our latest ERC project proposal is very encouraging, but there are **more strong candidates** with a solid research portfolio and CV **which plan to seek ERC funding** in the near future.

Special **incentives for the participation** of core researchers from the Institute **in short and medium terms research stays** (e.g. Fulbright stipends or Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions) will be contemplated to increase the outward mobility of staff and further foster international cooperation. In parallel, we plan to continue **welcoming researchers** interested in coming to work at the Institute **via various incoming schemes**. We also plan to continue in developing research partnerships, both with other institutes at the SAS and outside of the academy, which we established in the times of the pandemic.