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“A good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to light the way for others.” ~Mustafa Kemal Atatürk

We keep learning about the professors from the IER Department

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dr., associate professor, vice dean of the IER Faculty



1. Can you provide some details of your background: where did you cultivate yourself, how did you become a lecturer and a vice dean of the faculty of International Economic Relations? What have you managed to acquire in your position as Vice Dean?

I graduated the faculty of International Economic Relations where I am currently employed. After graduation I started working at the Department of “Political Economy and Economic Doctrines”. From the very beginning I have taught the courses of the department in foreign language: initially in French and subsequently in English. I became Vice Dean in the fall of the year 2005 following the proposal of the Dean, professor Dumitru Moldovan. As for the second question, my answer is brief: Experience.

Experience through multiple contacts one has as a vice dean. While being among students, professors, and administrative staff one needs to consider the requests of all those involved in the educational process and always find a compromise.

2. How do you feel as mother and teacher in the same breath? Do you think you are an accomplished woman?

That’s challenging. To be a professor moreover vice dean means being always absorbed in and sometimes unable to allocate time for family as much as I would like to. Furthermore, a real professor carries out research activities besides teaching as well. For this reason one may notice male predominance in the professorial staff of the Western universities. Anyway, to manage all the tasks, you have to do everything with pleasure. Then you get to be happy and cherish every moment

3. We are interested in knowing your viewpoint on the faculty of International Economic Relations (perhaps you have some ideas on implementing new projects for the students of our faculty).

According to the number of students the faculty of International Economic Relations is relatively small within the AESM. Not merely licentiates in Economics with sound knowledge of foreign languages are trained in our faculty still. As it is, IER faculty has become a “workshop” where personalities are formed

. In this regard, the fact that faculty graduates hold key positions in various fields of economy both outside and inside our country, is the best proof.

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-There are many ideas: for instance, currently I support the idea of organizing debates for the students of our faculty.

4. How would you describe a successful vice dean ?

As I see it, a successful vice dean is the one who enjoys his/her job.

5. How would you define student success?

You know, we are all students in this lifetime and feel successful when we get moving forward, not standing still. Yet for most people, faculty time is the most favorable period in life for personality forming.

6. People are different, have different characters and ideas. How do you manage to cope with difficult students?

That people are different, have different characters and ideas, is a fascinating aspect of life and a meaning that only God knows when begetting each of us. Furthermore, as Cherie Carter Scott put it “Other people are merely mirrors of you”. Hence I strongly believe that there are no difficult students.

7. What are your plans for the future?

I intend to be happy and wish you the same.

Written by Diana Plăcintă

SUMMER ADVENTURES

It is not a great surprise that the students of IER are among the brightest ones in our AESM! We all try to do our best to study well and to be involved in various projects. Even during the summer after taking all our exams we still are searching for opportunities to gain more experience in different domains.

Here we are presenting just a few stories of success of our students, who have been very lucky to manifest themselves abroad.

“Young people need to be the change we want to see in the world!”

A young promising future specialist in her domain Cristina Jandic dedicated herself to a conference which took place in Belgium, Bruxelles this summer. She had an amazing experience on the position of a mentor at Youth Ambassador Summer Institute (YASI), together with 28 adults from 7 different countries who also took part in this outstanding meeting, which was organized with the purpose of bringing closer the EU and non-EU member states, providing tools and knowledge to involve the participants in the world of politics, diplomacy and civil engagement. “Even though it was not the first time when I travelled to Belgium, I still enjoyed the country, its traditions, people and of course chocolate!”, says Cristina. She is eager to implement the knowledge she gained in Belgium here in Moldova, she also gives us a good advice, “Young people are those who may bring a change in our world, that is why I would strongly recommend them to take all the opportunities they are offered in life”.

“Beauty will save the world”

Having a vacation in Italy another student of IER amazed italians with her beauty and was offered to participate in a beauty contest “Miss Golfo di Gaeta 2012”..We all need to pay her a tribute because being the only foreigner in such contests is a hard work, however at the

same time “It is a great pleasure to be always in front of the cameras and people who treat you as a professional model”. Cristina not only got acquainted with Italian fashion but also made a lot of good friends, “ I am in love with italians. They are very noble people and it is so simple to communicate with them”, says she. And besides that, who wouldn't like to walk on the runway, have a photo session and receive a medal in the end? Nice vacation!

“Caucasian music makes our blood burn and sparks fly of the hills during the dance!”

We are not only smart and beautiful but also very talented young people. Such person is Laura Bodorin who spent a part of her summer on the far Caucasus, Nalichic taking part in the festival “СтуденческаявеснастранСНГнаКавказе”. “...The air is so clean there that I needed a few days to get used to it. It is a picturesque city and the traditions of its people are just magnificent”, Laura shares with us. A wonderful festival which revealed young talents in various areas, such as vocal and instrumental performances, dancing and acting, also gave to Laura the chance to make friends from Kazahstan, Azerbaijan, Armenia and Ukraine.

“On the other side of the planet.”

Work & Travel program has become a popular cultural exchange project for college students. And guess who spent his summer in the USA? Vasile Volohov went to North Carolina, Outer Banks. “I spent stunning vacations on the beach. It was an unforgettable experience. I travelled to Virginia, Pensilvania and New York, where I visited the famous Rockefeller center, Broadway and, of course, Times Square”, says Vasilii. The most impressed he remained by American culture and openness of american people, and by the architecture of the cities he had visited.

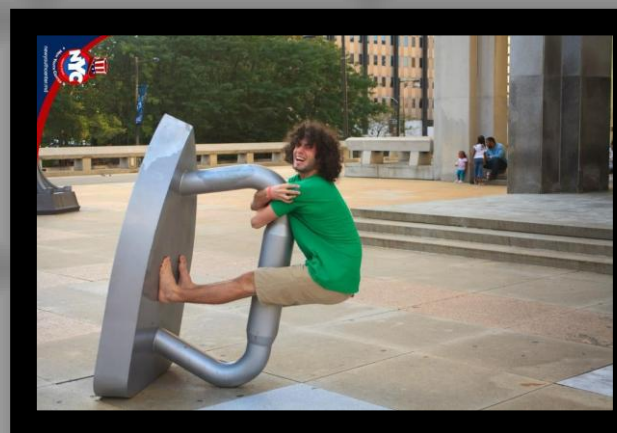
Written by Daria Babchina



Cristina Jandic “Youth Ambassador Summer Institute”



Cristina Verejan, Italy



Vasile Voloh, USA

KRISTALINA GEORGIEVA

In the Academy of Economic Studies an interesting event took place on September seventeenth. The European Union Commissioner for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response, Mrs. Kristalina Georgieva, was on a visit to Chisinau. The startup hour was 3:00 p.m. and the host place was a large conference room at the AESM.

Mrs. Georgieva was very warm welcomed by the rector of the Academy of Economic Studies, Mr. Grigore Belostecinic, who gently offered her a big bunch of white roses, a bottle of Moldavian wine and the AESM book . The present was offered like an unforgettable gift from the Academy of Economic Studies.

When a pleasant atmosphere was created in the audience, Mrs. Georgieva began to present the discourse: “European Union crisis response in a challenging world”. As an introduction, the Commissioner described a general picture of the most disastrous regions of the world. “Usually, catastrophe happens because of the climate fluctuation or the increase of population” Mrs. Georgieva said.

Then, her Majesty announced statistical data which was astonishing. 576 events caused about 98 thousands fatalities between 1999 to 2009. The representative of the EU gave examples of some states which were social vulnerable as follows: Sudan, Yemen, Libya, Syria and others. Although certain countries were in need for a help but sometimes there were different barriers to enter on the territory. Collaboration was ineffective because of lack of coordination or protectionist policy, or too many constraints on the path to a successful economy or may be underdeveloped countries have different ways of thinking.

Kristalina Georgieva is responsible for the EU that gives a civil protection in the cases of disasters such as earthquakes, floods, drought, and storms and bring the humanitarian help when it is needed. For example, last year they raised their funds and approximately 1 billion Euros were offered to humanitarian help. Mrs. Georgieva lets us know, when a drought stretched the country in 2007 and then our country being affected by floods in 2008 and 2010, a support was provided.

Moreover in 2009 we obtained material support for gas shortage because a very cold winter. This year, in 2012, they think of a transfer of 50 million lei for the farmers, who suffered from drought.

As a conclusion, Mrs. Georgieva pointed out that they rely on young persons, who are brave and do care about the future. The practice of involving different NGOs can lead to good results. In the end there were offered some sites for contacting them and thanked everyone for attention.

Written by Iulia Condrea



FASHION VERSUS STUDIES

Everybody has a good reason to be happy and pleased right now. Since the cold weather has come girls are forced to hide their body and all the spicy parts.

Summer is the hot season and not only for the temperature but for the outfits. But still fashion is fashion and girls are not afraid of anything, and not only girls, let's talk about everybody. Since when guys I mean "men" look like girls? Deep V neck t-shirts, or tight shorts over the knees. Does that look manlike?

Coco Chanel implied the idea that a woman's body has to be covered in order to be discovered, to make it be wanted. So let's think, if a girl shows everything in the most sexiest manner the question rises if there is anything mysterious, is anything to be discovered especially at university. Why do we come at university? What is our goal? To study or get married? Most of us will say both, but there are a lot of places where we can "shine like stars". Recent report about girl's outfit at our university seen on the internet, was a shock for everybody since nobody informed us about this new rule, we mean about the dresscode.



And still nothing wouldn't change if everybody knew, rules are made to be broken. Short skirts, dresses, shorts, deep cleavage are always up to date. The further we go the more naked we become. So the changes in fashion come from each of us, beauty has a large meaning and there are not concrete parameters or barriers it just comes from our inner feeling

Let's think of a solution. Nobody would accept an uniform. This is logic we have uniforms in school till 18 years old, now we are adults and we choose how dress expresses our personality, although there is some ethics that we should respect due to our education.

Each of you, girls, are beautiful, beautiful in your own way, but you should point out not only your exterior beauty but also your interior beauty. Think about future, about dignity, about woman's mystery, about yourself as a desert which has to be worth, about your status as a student and let's be proud of being young and restless!

Written by Laura Bodoni and Ana Mardari

AESM OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

Student Mobility

Nowadays, one of the main priorities for Moldovan youth is studying abroad. In this way each student invests in his personality, professionalism and future.

If you are interested in it, we have good news for you, our dear reader!

AESM and Cracow University of Economics have a collaboration under which, each academic year, 2 students of each university, selected on a competitive basis, have the chance to study 1 semester at the partner institution. Eligibility requirements are:

Second year student of AESM;
TOEFL test taken within the past two years, with minimum score of 550-PBT, 213-CBT or 80-IBT;
National Passport valid for no less than a year;
Letter of recommendation.

Another advantage is that exchange students get free home and food in partner country.

Erasmus Mundus Partnership for Belarus, Ukraine and Moldova

Eligibility rules:

1. Applicants must have the nationality of Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine or one of the European Countries represented in the Partnership.
2. Citizens of Belarus, Ukraine or Moldova must not have quitted their main activity (studies, work, etc.) for more than 12 months over the last five years in one of the European countries at the moment of the submission of the application.
3. Applicants must not have already benefited from a scholarship for the same type of mobility under another project under the Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (EMA2) program or Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Window (EMECW).

4. Applicants need to fulfill the requirements with the Target Group and level of mobility.

5. Applicants must have sufficient knowledge of the language of instruction of the Host University.

6. Applicants from Belarusian, Moldovan, or Ukrainian universities must choose universities in the EU and vice versa.

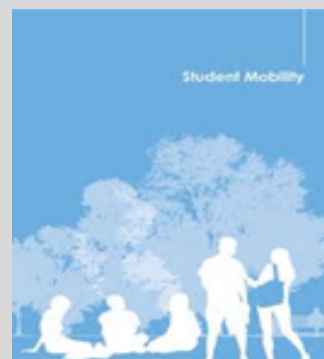
Exchange students

The following applicants are eligible to apply as exchange students:

- Target Group 1: Undergraduate, Master, Doctorate or Post-doctorate level students,
- Target Group 2: Master, Doctorate or Post-doctorate level students.

The 4th year bachelor degree students or the last year students who study the five-year duration programs are eligible to apply for the Target group 1 Master for exchange type of mobility with a condition that the same applicant must enter a Master programs at their home university (at the same university they are enrolled at the moment of application). Such applicant must provide additional letter from their home university about when the admission results are to be known.

Written by Olga Chiperi and Svetlana Malic



MA Scholarships for Central European University

Central European University is pleased to announce its Call for Applications for the academic year 2013/2014.

Central European University is a English-language, graduate university located in Budapest, Hungary.

An international university with students from 100 countries and faculty from more than 40, CEU offers small, seminar-style courses and a student/faculty ratio of 7:1. Academic areas and programs (MA, MPA, MS, LL.M, MBA, PH.D, SJD)

-Business (MBA)
-Mathematics and its Applications

-Cognitive Science (PHD)
-Medical Studies

-Economics
-Nationalism Studies

-Environmental Science and Policy
-Philosophy

-Gender Studies
-Political Science

-History
-Public Policy

-International Relations and European Studies

-Legal Studies
-Sociology and Social Anthropology

Application deadline between January 4 and January 24, 2013 www.ceu.hu

Scholarships

Traineeship opportunities at the North-South Centre

The North-South Centre of the Council of Europe offers traineeships twice a year for a period of three (minimum) to six (maximum) months. In 2013, the traineeship sessions will be as follows:

First session: January 2013 – June 2013
(deadline 15 October 2012)

Second session: July 2013 – December 2013
(Deadline: 15 April 2013)

Who can apply?

Nationals of the member States of the North-South Centre and/or the Council of Europe.

Requirements

- Completion of higher education or successful completion of at least three years of university study;- A very good knowledge of one of the Council of Europe's official languages (English and French) and a good knowledge of the other;- Good drafting ability.

Conditions

Unfortunately, the North-South Centre does not offer remunerated traineeships. The North-South Centre does however cover its trainees for medical and accident insurance during the traineeship period. Trainees are entitled to two days leave per month. The usual working hours are Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm.

ENTERTAINMENT



A teacher asked student,
What is the full form of
Maths?

The student answered,
'Mentally Affected Teachers
Harrasing Students'

Everyone has its tricky points: characteristic words, gestures or actions. Someone enjoys and laughs on it, others get pissed off by them. But, we may say that these main things make our life funnier and more interesting.

For example at the lessons, we may be the witnesses and may be participants to hilarious moments, when an incorrect spelled name can make us go crazy.

We may frequently hear the words "You see", when there is nothing to see, only to hear and maybe to understand.

Or, because of the dynamics of the lessons and the fast English, sometimes we can be asked the questions "Guys, you make sense?". With these words the teacher can wake us up and think about philosophical question if really we make sense. 😊

Sometimes, we can see a lot a lot of gestures instead of some English words that are difficult to remember on time. But, here I can feel that our students are really responsible and want to speak English no matter and never pass to their native language.

Students which are studying a foreign language, can for sure invent a new language, understand each other and even to make jokes that would not be understood by a native speaker of that language. Did you hear the word "allege". If not, ask a student from IER, he for sure will know how to explain to you.

The examples can continue forever, but try to find your own examples. . Nobody's perfect, but in spite of this each of us has its little positive child inside, that makes us happy and always young. That's why my friends, don't forget to smile more often!

Written by Cernega Cristina

The teacher asked, 'Give me an example of Coincidence?'

Student replied, My mom and dad got married on the same date.

An optimist stays up until midnight to see the new year in. A pessimist stays up to make sure the old year leaves.

Teacher: How old is your dad.

Student: He is as old as I am.

Teacher: How is it possible?

Student: Because he became a dad only after I was born.

Mother: Why did you get such a low mark on that test?

Junior: Because of absence.

Mother: You mean you were absent on the day of the test?

Human brain is the most outstanding object in world.

It functions 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

It functions right from the time we are born, and stop only when we enter the examination hall.



*We wish you to have the
Sweetest Sunday,
Marvellous Monday,
Tasty Tuesday,
Wonderful Wednesday,
Thankful Thursday,
Friendly Friday,
Successful Saturday.
Have a great Year!!!*