International Conference

The Status Law Syndrome:
a Post-communist Nation Building
or
Post-modern Citizenship?

14-16 October 2004
At the Institute of Legal Studies (HAS), Budapest

Budapest, I. Orszaghaz utca 30.
“Jakobinus” hall

I. Thursday, 14 October

9.00 Opening remark: Osamu Ieda

1. Section
The Status Law and Nation Politics (Chair: Osamu Ieda)

9.15: Brigid Fowler: Fuzzy Citizenship and the Status Law (temporal)
9.30: Zoltán Kántor: The Uses (and misuses) of the Concept of Nation in the ECE 'Status Laws'
9.45: Mária Kovács: Autonomy and Double Citizenship
10.00: Stephen Deets: The Hungarian Status Law and the Specter of Neo-Medievalism in Europe

10.15-11.00: Discussion time

11.00-11.15: Coffee break

2. Section
International Approaches (Chair: Tibor Váradi)

11.15-11.30: Gábor Kardos: Prospect for Kin-states?
11.30-11.45: Judit Tóth: Kin-minority, Kin-state and Neighbourhood Policy the Enlarged EU
11.45-12.00: Herbert Küpper: From the Status Law to the Initiative for Dual Citizenship: Aspects of Domestic Hungarian and International Law
12.00-12.15: Balázs Majtényi: Utilitarianism in Minority Protection (Status Laws and International Organizations)

12.15-13.00: Discussion time

13.00-14.00: Lunch

3. Section
Comparative Aspects (Chair: Dimitras Panayote)
14.15-14.30: Zsuzsa Csergő and James M. Goldgeier: Virtual Nationalism in Comparative Context: How Unique is the Hungarian Approach?
14.30-14.45: Iván Halász: Models of Kin-minority Protection in East and Central Europe
15.00-15.15: Natsuko Oka: Kin-minority Protection in Central Asia

15.15-16.00: Discussion time

19.00: Reception

II. Friday, 15 October
4. Section
Socio-cultural Implication of the Status Laws (Chair: George Schöpflin)

9.30-9.45: Osamu Ieda: Ideological Background of the Status Law Controversy in Hungary
9.45-10.00: Tjeerd de Graaf: The Specific Situation of Ethnic Minority Group in the Soviet Union. The Mennonites and their Relation with the Netherlands, Germany, Poland and Russia
10.00-10.15: Nigel Swain: The Innocence of Article Eighteen, Paragraph Two, Subsection E.
10.15-10.30: András László Pap: Minority Rights and Diaspora Claims: Collision and Interdependence

10.30-11.15: Discussion time

11.15-11.30: Coffee break

5. Section
The Status Law and the EU (Chair: László Szarka)

11.30-11.45: George Schöpflin: Beyond the Status Law: Hungary and the EU
11.45-12.00: Gabriel von Toggenburg: What Status for „Status Laws” in the Postnational EU Market?
12.00-12.15: Balázs Vizi: Cross-border Minority Protection and European Integration
12.15-12.30: Helge Hornburg: The Relationship on Kin-State/Kin-Minority Legislation and European Comunity Law, Especially the Prohibition of Discrimination

12.30-13.15: Discussion time

13.15-14.15: Lunch

6. Section
„Status Laws” in Europe and Wider  (Chair: László Sólyom)

14.30-14.45: Özgür-Baklacioglu Nurcan: Migration, Dual Citizenship and National-Building in Post-Cold-War Bulgaria and Turkey
14.45-15.00: Walter Kemp: The Triadic Nexus: Lessons Learned from the Status Law
15.00-15.15: László Szarka: Slovak Reactions to the Hungarian Status Law
15.15-16.00: Discussion time

III. Saturday, 16 October  Workshops for closed sessions of the quest speakers

Workshop 1 (10:00-12:00)
„Status Law Syndrome” in Eastern Europ
Coordinator: Zoltán Kántor
Discussant: Brigid Fowler, Mária Kovács, László Szarka, Stephen Deets, Tibor Váradi, Gábor Kardos, Judit Tóth, Herbert Küpper, George Schöpflin

Workshop 2 (13:30-15:30)
„Status Law Syndrome ” in Europe and wider
Coordinator: Balázs Majtényi
Discussant: Dimitras Panayote, Sherrill Stroschein, Natsuko Oka, Zsuzsa Csergo, Iván Halász, Amitabh Singh, Osamu Ieda, Tjeerd de Graaf, Nigel Swain, András László Pap

Workshop 3 (16:00-18:00)
Closing Discussion
Chair: Osamu Ieda
Discussant: Gabriel von Toggenburg, Balázs Vizi, Helge Hornburg, László Sólyom, Constantin Iordachi, Özgür-Baklacioglu Nurcan

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