







RSA Research Network Seminar

The Role of Business Services and Knowledge Transfer in Cluster Formation in Central and Eastern Europe

17th -18th September 2009 Department of Regional Development Institute of Geography and Spatial Management Jagiellonian University

Thursday, 17 th of September	
11.30 - 12.00	Registration, Coffee/tea
12.00 – 13.30	Session 1
	Chair: Prof Bolesław Domański
	 Opening address (Prof Bolesław Domański, Jagiellonian University
	Dr Grzegorz Micek, Jagiellonian University)
	Keynote address
	Prof Seamus Grimes (National University of Ireland, Galway): <i>Deconstructing</i>
	Ireland's Policy Approach to Business Services
	 Prof Jane Hardy (University of Hertfordshire), Dr Magdolna Sass (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest), Dr Martina Fifeková (University of Economics, Bratislava): Problematizing Vertical Foreign Investment in Business Services: The Impact of New Networks in Central and Eastern Europe
13.30 – 14.30	Lunch
14.30 – 16.00	 Session 2 Chair: Prof Petr Pavlinek Dr Zoltán Gál (Hungarian Academy of Sciences): Repositioning CEE in the Global Services Offshoring Market: Evidence from the Trade and Location Statistics Dr Jan Drahokoupil (University of Mannheim & Economy and Society Trust,
	Brno), Pawel Capik (Sheffield Hallam University): <i>Service Sector</i> Outsourcing in the Visegrád Four: Transforming the European Assembly Platform into a Knowledge-Based Economy?
16.00 - 16.30	Coffee/tea break
16.30 – 18.00	Session 3
	Chair: Prof Jane Hardy
	 Prof Petr Pavlinek (Charles University, Prague; University of Nebraska,
	Omaha): Industrial upgrading in the Czech automotive industry
	 Dr Graham Hollinshead & Prof Jane Hardy (University of Hertfordshire):
	The HR effects of offshoring software development to Ukraine
19.45	Seminar Dinner (<i>Ukrainski Smak, Kanonicza Street 15</i>)







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Friday, 18 th of	September Trially State of the
9.15 – 11.30	 Session 4 Chair: Dr Grzegorz Micek Keynote address Prof Robert Huggins (University of Wales, Cardiff): Global and Local Knowledge Flows: Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives Dr Pavel Ptáček (Palacký University, Olomouc), Dr Zoltán Gál (Hungarian Academy of Sciences): The Role of Regional Universities in the Knowledge Transfer and Knowledge Flows into the Business Sector: the Case Studies
11.30-12.00	 from the Czech Republic and Hungary Dr Pavel Bednař, Ondřej Slach, Jan Beneš (University of Ostrava): Location and Networking of Advanced Business Services in the Regional Post-socialist Cities Coffee/tea break
12.00-13.30	Session 5 Chair: Paweł Capik
	 Dr Adam Szymaniak (Adam Mickiewicz University), Anna Harendarz, (Quality Specialist for French Team, Lufthansa, Dublin): <i>Philosophy and practice in operations of Lufthansa SSCs: The case of Global Telesales (Dublin) and Airline Accounting Center (Kraków)</i> Dr Grzegorz Micek, Jarosław Działek, Janusz Górecki (Jagiellonian University): <i>Impact of Kraków's Service Centers on Local Economy</i>
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch
14.30 – 15.30	Roundtable Discussion (Grzegorz Micek/Pawel Capik): The Role of Business Services and Knowledge Transfer in Cluster Formation in Central and Eastern Europe

Venues:

The Seminar will take place in the 3rd Campus at the Institute of Geography and Spatial Management, Jagiellonian University, Gronostajowa Street 7, 30-387, Kraków, Poland. Seminar sessions will take place in room 1.19. Coffee/tea will be served in an adjacent room (1.23).

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