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Dear Colleagues,

Since the beginning of my time as President I have been curious about the history of ECSA World and especially about the beginnings. Other more urgent issues hindered me till now to look for more information. But now I see that the time has come for approaching this topic. In this issue we present a small first result of these efforts: the list of the Presidents of ECSA World since the beginnings (at that time under the name ECSA Europe). Antonio Papisca and Luciano di Fonzo were so kind to help us providing information. I hope we will be able to complete this list with new data in the next months. Maybe some of you can provide useful complementary information, also about the history and the previous Presidents of your respective association.

I suppose many of you are already preparing the projects to be presented till March 26th to the Jean Monnet Programme. Please, let me know if you see possibilities for working together with ECSA World in some of them.

Best regards,

Enrique Banús

"Ideas on Europe", the ECSA UK Blog

"Ideas on Europe" is a free blog which provides an independent space for informed analysis, comment and debate. It was created by ECSA United Kingdom (UACES) and it hosts blogs by organizations and individuals actively engaged in European issues.

As UACES comments, blogging on "Ideas on Europe" allow to make an impact beyond your organization and area of expertise. With a diverse community of bloggers and a wide-ranging readership from all corners of the globe, you can quickly disseminate and receive feedback on new research or ideas.

The blog offers two different types of blog – single-owner (for individuals who would like to create and run their own blog) and group (enable you to add multiple-authors to your blog).

ECSA Croatia co-organized the 12th Jean Monnet Seminar in Dubrovnik

ECSA Croatia and the Jean Monnet Chair of European Public Law (University of Zagreb), within the framework of the EU Lifelong Learning Programme, are organizing the 12th session of the Jean Monnet Seminar. This year it will be celebrated between the 13th and 18th of April 2014 at Inter University Center, in Dubrovnik (Croatia).

The event will deal with the topic of "Legal Profession Before and After the Accession" and it is going to be entailed in two parts: lectures by prominent EU law professors or members of the Court of Justice and research presentations by PhD candidates and junior academics.

Among the participants of the seminar they will be the former President of ECSA Croatia Prof. Siniša Rodin, Judge at the Court of Justice of the European Union; Prof. Marise Cremona, European University Institute; Prof. Piet Eeckhout, University College London and Dr. Adam Lazowski, University of Westminster.

Each year the seminar covers a different broad theme and this year it will revolved around the challenges facing the legal profession as a consequence of EU accession. It will discuss the changing role of advocates and judges faced with the changing legal environment, as well as the emerging needs for their lifelong education. The aim is to discuss necessary adjustments for proper application of EU law, detect problems and suggest practical solutions to judges and advocates how to deal with the new legal issues. The aim is also to detect necessary changes in education for legal profession.

ECSA Germany Workshop "Disintegration as driver of the European Union integration process?"

ECSA Germany (Arbeitskreis Europäische Integration- AEI) is co-organizing together with the Institute for European Politics (IEP) and the Forum of Federations a workshop entitled "Disintegration as driver of the European Union integration process?" that will be hold on the 11th of February 2014 at the Representation of Baden-Württemberg, in Berlin.

The symposium will start with a presentation of the research results "For the conceptualization of European disintegration" of Dr. Annegret Eppler (University of Innsbruck) and Dr. Henrik Scheller (University of Potsdam). As debaters in the workshop they will attend representatives from science and political practice that will reflect on the relationship between the integrating and disintegrating forces in the European integration process. Some of the names are: Professor Dr. Martin Höpner (Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne), Professor Dr. Andreas Maurer (University of Innsbruck) and Dr. Wilhelm Knelangen (University of Kiel).

The European national debt and financial crisis has revealed that European integration can no longer be understood as a constantly evolving process. In spite of the numerous integration measures to tackle the crisis, in Europe, economic, social, and legitimating territorial disintegration phenomena can be perceived. The main goal of the workshop is to discover how the knowledge can contribute to European disintegration phenomena also to a deeper understanding of the functional conditions of the integration process.

ECSA Poland Activities

Last November 2013 the Polish European Community Studies Association (PECSA) announced the launch of its new website: www.pecsa.edu.pl.

What is more about ECSA Poland, November has been a very active month for the association as participant in many activities. Firstly, on the 6th of November, it organised together with the Centre for Europe (University of Warsaw, Poland) and the Faculty of Political Sciences of Istanbul University in cooperation with Warsaw School of Economics the seminar "Challenges for English-Turkish Academic Cooperation" held at University of Warsaw. Among the speakers there were members of the PECSA Board and the Audit Committee, including the President of the association Prof. Ewa Latoszek.

Besides, on the 13th and 14th of November 2013 another ECSA Poland conference took place at the Faculty of Economics of the Polish University of Gdansk on the topic: "Challenges and Dilemmas of European integration". It was held together with the occasion of the 30th anniversary celebration of the Gdansk University Research

ECSA Israel participates on the UACES 44th Annual Conference

Within the framework of the UACES (ECSA United Kingdom) 44th Annual Conference (1-3 September 2014 in Cork), the Israeli ECSA (IASEI) is organizing two sections of panels with papers related to "the current aspects in the relations between Israel and the EU" and "the impact of the economic crisis and the financial crisis in the EU".

Centre on European Integration and the submission of an honorary doctorate to Professor Willem Molle (Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands) for his work as economist for peaceful cooperation.

On the 29th of November 2013 the Centre for Education Development (CED), in Warsaw, celebrated a conference entitled "European Year of Citizens. Diversity in the classroom - challenge for schools". It was attended by representatives of the Office of the Government Plenipotentiary for Equal Treatment, the Representation of the European Commission and the Ministry of National Education in Poland. During this conference, ECSA Poland was represented by Dr. Agnieszka Klos, who spoke on "The Young European Academy as an example of good practice in the area of developing active European civil society".

At the same time, the Centre for Europe and Institute for International Relations (Warsaw University) in cooperation with PECSA invited to the scientific seminar entitled: "About the past for the future. Polish-Ukrainian relations in recent times".

ECSA UK Co-organizes the first European conference on Teaching and Learning Politics, International Relations and European Studies

ECSA United Kingdom (UACES) co-organizes and will participate in the first European conference on "Teaching and Learning Politics, International Relations and European Studies", jointly organized by BISA (British International Studies Association), ECPR (European Consortium for Political Research) and PSA (Political Studies Association). The event will be celebrated on 26-27 of June 2014 at Maastricht University (Netherlands).

The aim of the conference is to bring together members of teaching and learning networks (UACES, ECPR, PSA and BISA) in order to discuss and think about questions such as "What does it mean to teach Politics, International Relations (IR), or European Studies (ES) to the next generation of students?", "What should it mean for future students to learn Politics, International Relations, or European Studies?" and "What are the opportunities of educating the next generation of a knowledge society?". Next to those questions, there are also specific features of European Higher Education that are going to be dealt: the Bologna process, the employability discourse, or the raising concern with fees to mention just a few.

The ECSA World Presidents

1987-1996	Malcolm Anderson	Professor Emeritus School of Social and Political Science at University of Edinburgh (Scotland)
1996-1998	Jean-Claude Gautron	Professor Emeritus at University Montesquieu-Bordeaux IV (France)
1998-2000	Rudolf Hrbek	Visiting professor at the Department of European Political and Administrative Studies of College of Europe (Bruges) and Professor Emeritus for Political Science at University of Tübingen
2000-2002	Marc Maresceau	Full-time Professor of EU Law and Institutions at Ghent University (Belgium)
2002-2004	Antonio Papisca	Professor of International Protection of Human Rights and international human rights organizations and peace in the Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Padua (Italy)
2004-2008	Manuel Porto	Professor of the Law School of the University of Coimbra (Portugal)