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# Education

**PhD** Eotvos Lorand University, Philosophy November 2005

Dissertation title: “Rational Second Nature”

New School for Social Research (visiting doctoral student) 2000-2002

**BA** Eotvos Lorand University, History and English June 1996

# Honors and Awards

**Visiting Fellowship**

University of Oxford, Department of Politics March 2019

(Short-term Erasmus Mobility exchange)

***Finalist* for the Marc Sanders Prize in Political Philosophy** 2016

(Selected by the editors of the *Oxford Studies in Political Philosophy*)

**Laurance S. Rockefeller Faculty Fellow**

Princeton University, University Center for Human Values 2014-15

**Reiner Schürmann Memorial Scholarship**

New School for Social Research

(Awarded annually to an outstanding student in the Department of Philosophy) 2002-03

**Transregional Center for Democratic Studies Fellowship**

New School for Social Research 2001-2002

**Fulbright Fellowship** for doctoral students

New School for Social Research, Department of Philosophy 2000-02

# Academic Positions

* Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, CEU 2016-
* Head of Department, Department of Political Science, CEU 2017-2021
* Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, CEU 2009-16
* Parental leave 2008
* Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Hungarian National Science Fund 2005-07
* Visiting Faculty, Department of Political Science, CEU 2006-07
* Visiting Faculty, Nationalism Studies Program, CEU 2004-05
* Lecturer, Education Abroad Program, University of California (Budapest) 2003-06
* Lecturer, Institute of Philosophy, ELTE University 2002-06

# Teaching Experience

**Central European University, Department of Political Science**, Budapest/Vienna

* Introduction to Contemporary Political Philosophy (MA core, recurrent)
* Foundations of Political Philosophy (MA mandatory, recurrent)
* Global Justice (MA elective, recurrent)
* Morality of Immigration (BA elective, recurrent)

**Central European University, Doctoral School of Political Science, International Relations, and Public Policy**, Budapest/Vienna

* Democratic Theory (PhD core, 2021/22, 2023/24)
* Political Institutions (PhD core, 2015/16, 2016/17)
* Political Equality (PhD elective, 2013/14)
* Public Policy and Political Philosophy (PhD elective, 2010/11-2012/13)
* Theory of Justice (PhD core, 2008/09)

**ELTE Institute of Philosophy**, Budapest

* Courses in early modern and contemporary political philosophy (BA, 2002/3-2006/7)

**Doctoral Students supervised at CEU (as primary supervisor)**

* Giorgia Brucato, “Justice for Children After War” (defended in May 2024)
* Emil Vargovic, "Between Ideal Theory and Practice: Justice as Fairness, Productive Ownership Rights and Wider Economic Liberties" (defended in October 2022)
* Elettra Repetto, “Transnational Civil Disobedience: Understanding Illegal Political Dissent Beyond Borders,” (defended in May 2022)
* Zsolt Kapelner, “Ruling Together: The Value of Democracy,” (defended in January 2022)
* Zlata Bozac “There’s Me, There’s You, and There’s Us,” (defended in 2021)
* Jelena Belic, “On the State’s Duty to Create a Just World Order,” (defended in 2018)
* Attila Mráz, “Competence and Equality”, (defended in 2016)
* Ioana Petre, “Genetics, Justice, and Future Generations” (defended in 2015)
* Ursula Mavric, “Rethinking the Right to Secession,” (defended in 2013)
* Márton Rövid, “Cosmopolitanism and Exclusion,” (defended in 2011)
* Dragan Kuljanin, “Participatory Duties,” (enrolment ended without submission)
* Clemens Loidl “Relational Egalitarianism in a Global Perspective” (in progress, 4th year)
* Alex Olivares (in progress, 3rd year)
* Kristina Vasic (in progress, 2nd year)

**Masters Students Advised at CEU**

* Supervised over 40 MA theses

# Publications

## Journal Publications (peer-reviewed)

* Miklosi, Z. “Can A Liberal State Promote Social Cohesion?” *Law, Ethics and Philosophy* 11 (2024), pp. 55-74.
* Miklosi, Z. “Reconsidering the Capacity Principle,” *Analysis* 84:1 (2024), pp. 122-131.
* Belic, J., Miklosi, Z. “Cosmopolitanism and Unipolarity,” *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*, 26:2 (2023), pp. 181-203.
* Miklosi, Z. “The Problem of Equal Moral Status,” *Politics, Philosophy & Economics* 21 (2022:4)
* Miklosi, Z., “Varieties of Relational Egalitarianism,” in David Sobel, Peter Vallentyne, and Steven Wall (eds.) *Oxford Studies in Political Philosophy: Volume IV* (Oxford University Press, 2018)
* Miklosi, Z., “Association, Property, and Territory: What is at Stake in the Immigration Debate?” *Philosophy and Society* (2017)
* Miklosi, Z., “Immigration and the Democratic Stability Argument,” *Moral Philosophy and Politics* (2016)
* Miklosi, Z., “Collective Responsibility and the Scope of Justice,” *Ethics and Global Politics* (2016)
* Miklosi, Z., Moles, A., “Disagreement and Legitimacy,” *Res Publica* 20:1 (2014), pp. 1-8.
* Miklosi, Z., „A Puzzle About Free Speech, Legitimacy, and Countermajoritarian Constraints” *Res Publica: A Journal of Legal, Moral and Social Philosophy* 20:1 (2014), pp. 27-43
* Miklosi, Z., "Against the Principle of All Affected Interests," *Social Theory and Practice* 38:3 (2012)
* Miklosi, Z., "How Does the Difference Principle Make a Difference?" *Res Publica: A Journal of Legal, Moral and Social Philosophy* 16:3 (2010)
* Miklosi, Z., "Compliance with Just Institutions" *Social Theory and Practice* 34:2 (2008)

## Book Chapters (peer-reviewed)

* Miklosi, Z., “Political Obligation under Electoral Authoritarianism: The Case of Hungary,” in George Klosko (ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of Political Obligation* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming)
* Miklosi, Z., “Equality of Opportunity and the Presumption of Equality,” in M. Sardoc (ed.) *Handbook of Equality of Opportunity* (Springer, 2023) <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-52269-2_77-1>
* Kapelner, Zs., Miklosi, Z., “Rethinking the Democratic Boundary Problem” in Ward, Lee (ed.) *Cosmopolitanism and Its Discontents* (Lexington Books, 2020)
* Miklosi, Z., „Constitution-Making, Competition, and Cooperation,” in Attila Gabor Toth (ed.), *Constitution for a Disunited Nation* (Budapest, CEU Press: 2012)
* Arato, A., Miklosi, Z., "Constitution Making and Transitional Politics in Hungary 1989-1996" in Laurel E. Miller and Louis Aucoin, eds., *Framing the State in Times of Transition: Case Studies in Constitution Making*. Washington, D.C., United States Institute for Peace, Washington, D.C. 2010.
* Miklosi, Z., "Terrorism, Constitutionalism, and Sovereignty" in Gábor Halmai (ed.), *Hungary: Human Rights in the Face of Terrorism* (Vanderplas Publishing: 2006, U.S.A.)

## Conference Papers (peer-reviewed)

* “Valuing rational beings: the problem of moral status,” Braga, *10th Meeting in Ethics and Political Philosophy*, June 14, 2019;
* “Varieties of Relational Egalitarianism,” Oxford Studies Workshop for Political Philosophy (organized by the editors of *Oxford Studies in Political Philosophy,* OUP), Barcelona, June 1-3, 2016;
* „Resource Egalitarianism and Market Inequalities,” McMaster University, conference honoring Ronald Dworkin, May 30 to June 1, 2014;
* „Collective Responsibility and the Scope of Justice” Bordeaux, ECPR General Conference (September 5, 2013)
* „Global justice, global state, and global market,” presented at the annual Manchester Political Theory Workshop, University of Manchester, August 31, 2011.
* “Against the All-Affected Principle” presented at the *Colloquium in Moral Philosophy*, University of St. Andrews, October 29-30, 2010;
* “Does the Difference Principle Make a Difference?” presented at the international conference *Equality of Opportunities*, Lisbon, October 29-31, 2009;

# Invited Talks

* “Moral Status and Potential,” University of Pavia, “Status and Equality” Workshop, May 6-7, 2024.
* “Social Status, Authority, and Normative Powers,” Kyoto University, Workshop “Power in and through Markets,” May 20-22, 2023, Kyoto.
* “Social Status, Authority, and Normative Powers,” Workshop at the University of Tromso, May 10-12.
* Center for Moral and Political Philosophy, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June 24-26, 2020 (postponed due to Covid)
* University Center for Human Values, Princeton University, “Universities and the Prospect for Democratic Values: Charting the Next Thirty Years,” April 16-17 2020 (postponed due to Covid)
* “The problem of equal moral status,” Dartmouth College, Truth, Power, and the Foundations of Democracy Workshop Series, July 25, 2019
* The problem of equal moral status,” Centre for Ethics as Study in Human Value, Department of Philosophy, University of Pardubice (May 14, 2019)”
* “The problem of equal moral status,” Balliol College, University of Oxford, March 6, 2019.
* “Constitutional hardball and democratic breakdown,” Europaeum Workshop on Consensus at the Centre for European Studies, University of Oxford, February 6-7, 2018, Oxford;
* “What is equal moral status and how to defend it?” Departmental Colloquium of the Department of Philosophy, Central European University, November 14, 2017;
* Keynote address, *International Association of Political Science Students* World Congress, April 4, 2017, Budapest, CEU.
* Keynote address, CEU Undergraduate Conference in Moral and Political Philosophy, September 2-3, 2016;
* “Autonomy and Relative Deprivation,” Workshop on Joseph Raz, April 15-16, 2016, CEU, Budapest;
* “Collective Responsibility and the Scope of Justice,” talk at the Institute of Philosophy, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, November 18, 2015;
* “Freedom of association and territorial rights,” presented at the Institute of Philosophy, Belgrade, October 10, 2015;
* „The territorial rights of states and the rights of refugees” CEU Department of Philosophy, panel on the refugee crisis, September 22, 2015;
* „Democratic backsliding and inter-elite relations in Hungary,” Rutgers University, April 14, 2015;
* „Basic Equality,” presented at the Fellow’s seminar, Center for Human Values, Princeton University, February 5, 2015.
* „Constitution-Making and Moral Disagreement,” presented at the conference Freedom of Religion and Non-Discrimination (CEU, Budapest, June 7-8, 2013)
* „Ideal theory and interpretive theory” (in Hungarian: Ideális elmélet és interpretív elmélet), Miskolci Egyetem Állam- és Jogelmélet Konferencia, December 17, 2011.
* „Constitution-Making and Moral Disagreement,” presented at the conference Freedom of Religion and Non-Discrimination (CEU, Budapest, June 7-8, 2013)
* „Ideal theory and interpretive theory” (in Hungarian: Ideális elmélet és interpretív elmélet), Miskolci Egyetem Állam- és Jogelmélet Konferencia, December 17, 2011.
* „The Principle of All Affected Interests’ Departmental Doctoral Seminar, Political Science Department (March 2010)

# External grants

* Work Package leader in the GOODINT research project (project number: 313846 - FORSKER20) coordinated by the University of Tromsø (August 2021-2025), funded by the Norwegian Research Council for 12 million NOK (>1,1 million EUR). Responsible for the work package on the normative foundations of social cohesion. Project leaders: Annamari Vitikainen (Tromsø, Norway) and Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen (Aarhus University, Denmark).

# Professional Affiliations

* Hungarian Political Science Association (elected member of the Board since 2022)
* European Consortium of Political Research

# University service

* Member of CEU’s Senate, elected for the term 2023-2025
* Chair of the Grievances Committee, February 2023-
* Track representative for the Political Theory track and member of the Doctoral Committee of the Doctoral School of Political Science, International Relations, and Public Policy (2018-)
* Member of the task force responsible for developing the Philosophy, Politics, Economics BA program and for its accreditation in Austria (2018-2019)
* Member of the Academic Liaison Team of the Vienna Project, overseeing the relocation of academic programs to Vienna, Austria (2019-2020)
* Co-organizing, with Rector Michael Ignatieff, the President’s Seminars on “Reimagining Open Society” (September 2016-2018 June)
* track representative for Political Theory track, member of the Doctoral Committee in the Doctoral School of Political Science, International Relations and Public Policy (2012-14)
* member of the departmental committee on learning outcomes (2013)
* member of Library Committee (2011-15)
* member of Hungarian re-accreditation Committee (2011)
* Since early 2010, co-organizer (with Andres Moles) of the Reading Group in Legal, Moral and Political Philosophy (POLEMO) at CEU, aiming to bring together interested students and faculty from the Departments of Political Science, Philosophy, Legal Studies. In 2011, POLEMO was turned into a Research Group, and since 2018 it has organized annual international symposia.

# Professional Service

**Conference and Workshop Co-Organizer**

* Co-organizer (with Attila Mráz, ELTE University) of the international workshop “Moral Dilemmas of Resistance: Political Ethics in the Face of Democratic Regression and Electoral Authoritarianism” (September 27-28 2024, CEU Democracy Institute, Budapest)
* Co-organizer (with Felix Pinkert, University of Vienna) of a book workshop on Avia Pasternak, *Responsible Citizens, Irresponsible States* (December 9, 2021)
* Co-organizer (with Jelena Belic) of an international book workshop on Group Duties, with Stephanie Collins, June 25-26, 2018 (CEU, Budapest);
* Co-organizer (with Jelena Belic) of an international book workshop on Collective Moral Responsibility, with Anne Schwenkenbecher, June 26-27, 2017 (CEU, Budapest);
* Academic supervisor of the research project „Global Justice” funded by the CEU Research Support Scheme (2012)
* Co-organizer (with Eszter Kollar) of an international workshop „On the Scope of Distributive Justice”, CEU, Budapest, July 5-7; Keynote speakers: Samuel Scheffler (NYU), Simon Caney (Oxford);
* Co-organizer (with Andres Moles and Peter Molnar) of the international conference “Democracy and Legitimacy” in 2010, Budapest, Central European University (keynote speakers: Anthony K. Appiah, Thomas Christiano)

**Summer school co-director**

* Co-director (with Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen) of CEU Summer University on Applied Philosophy, July 7-18, 2014 (faculty included Jeff McMahan, Richard Arneson, Victor Tadros, Christopher Megone)
* Co-director (with Andres Moles and Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen) of CEU Summer University on Justice, July 1-12, 2013 (instructors include Helen Frowe, Ingmar Persson, Zofia Stemplowska, Peter Vallentyne)
* Co-director (with Andres Moles) of CEU Summer University on Justice: Theory and Applications, July 4-15, 2011 (instructors included Greg Bognar, Matthew Clayton, Janos Kis, Kasper Lippert-Rasmussen, Peter Vallentyne, and Andrew Williams)

**Peer-Reviewed Articles for**:

* *Ethics*
* *Politics, Philosophy, and Economics*
* *American Political Science Review*
* *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*
* *British Journal of Political Science*
* *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*
* *Political Studies*
* *Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy*
* *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*
* *Analysis*
* *Synthese*
* *Journal of Ethics*
* *Economics and Philosophy*
* *Res Publica*
* *Journal of Ethics and Social Philosophy*
* *Social Theory and Practice*
* *European Journal of Political Theory*
* *Journal of Applied Philosophy*
* *Journal of Social Philosophy*
* *European Journal of Political Research*
* *Analyse & Kritik*
* *Journal of Value Inquiry*
* *Law, Ethics and Philosophy*
* *Human Rights Review*
* *Journal of Global Ethics*
* *New Perspectives*
* *Czech Review of Sociology*
* *Hungarian Review of Political Science*
* *Hungarian Review of Sociology*
* *Hungarian Review of Philosophy*

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# Community Service

* I periodically write opinion pieces on public affairs for non-academic magazines and newspapers;
* I am co-founder and co-editor of the site [www.szuveren.hu](http://www.szuveren.hu/) (also available at [www.szuveren.blog.hu](http://www.szuveren.blog.hu/)) that publishes opinions and analyses on Hungarian and international affairs from a liberal perspective (in Hungarian, now mostly defunct).