

EDITORIAL

We greet the reader on the occasion of the publication of the eighth issue of our scientific periodical, the Central European Papers (C.E.P.). This number of the journal is not dedicated to the celebration of any current historical anniversary, country, event or person. The present issue of the Central European Papers (C.E.P.) is concerned with different aspects of Central European history and sociology. But the dominant topic of the current issue is modern history (mainly the twentieth century). One of the papers deals with sociological problems. The review reflects the issue of migration, too.

Among the articles the reader can find several papers related to the complicated history of electoral law in comparative perspective, the history of several aspects of the Second World War (holocaust and public administration, nazification of German minorities) and diaspora issues. Two articles deal with the Slovak and Czech communities in Budapest. Special attention is focused on the situation of the Czech refugees in Hungary during the Second World War. The authors of the current volume are respected scholars from the Czech Republic, Hungary and Slovakia but they also include scientific researchers, lecturers and PhD students.

We hope that this issue of Central European Papers (C.E.P.) will be useful not only for scholars but also for graduate and undergraduate students as well as for non-professional readers. Problems of the refugees, the public administration, the electoral law and minorities are recurrent topics in our Central European life. Conducting research on these topics and trying to interpret the new phenomena is always a compelling task.

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