

Indexing Social Futuring – Structure and Methodology Workshop 28/02/2019



On the 28th February 2019, the Social Futuring Center of Corvinus University of Budapest organized a monumental international workshop titled Indexing Social Futuring – Structure and Methodology. The one-day event took place in the Faculty Club Salon of the university between 09:00 and 13:00. The aim of the workshop was to present and further elaborate on the scope of indicators, the structure, the possible measurements and related methodology of the Social Futuring Index with the contribution of our prominent partner institutions.

On behalf of the Institute of European Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (Beijing, China)

- Prof. Huang Ping, President of China-CEE Institute,
- Prof. Chen Xin, Executive Vice President and General Manager of the China-CEE Institute
- Prof. Zhang Jun, Institute of European Studies, CASS,
- Dr. He Zhigao, China-CEE Institute

attended the workshop.

We also had the pleasure and honour of having

- Mr. John D. Mueller, the Adjunct Senior Research Fellow of the SFC as well as Director of the Economics and Ethics Program at The Lehrman Institute Fellow in Economics (Washington DC, USA).

As well as

- Mr. Peter Ruppert, Consultant of the Barabási Lab (Boston, MA, USA)

The leadership of the Hungarian Central Statistical Office (Budapest, Hungary) also attended the event, namely

- Dr. Gabriella Vukovich, the President of the Hungarian Central Statistical Office
- Mr. Pál Bóday, the Head of the Multi-domain Statistics Department of the Hungarian Central Statistical Office

along with the fellow colleagues of the institution.

The first session of the event focused on the development, while the second session targeted the structural changes of the Social Futuring Index. As a result of the presentations and the fruitful discussions that followed them, the main message of the two sessions was that the new, innovative, and fresh concept needs to be generally implemented for the social reality we live in, and that developing the hierarchical structure of the pillars, matrices and dimensions is the right path to follow.



Program for the Workshop on Indexing Social Futuring – Structure and Methodology

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9h00-9h40 OPENING SESSION

9h00-9h10 Welcome remarks

Prof. Petra Aczél of SFC, Prof. Ping Huang of CASS

9h10-9h20 ConNext 2050 – Social Futuring by SFC

János Csák of SFC

9h20-9h30 Social Futuring Index

Prof. Zoltán Oszkár Szántó of SFC

9h30-9h35 Global context of the Social Futuring

Péter Szabadhegy of SFC

9h35-9h40 Agenda, instructions

Eszter Deli of SFC

9h40-10h40 SESSION I: DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOCIAL FUTURING INDEX

Introduction:

Prof. Petra Aczél of SFC, Pál Bóday of HCSO

Discussion:

Planned discussants: Prof. Ping Huang of CASS, John Mueller of SFC, others

10h40-11h00 COFFEE BREAK

11h00-12h00 SESSION II: STRUCTURE OF THE SOCIAL FUTURING INDEX

Introduction:

Prof. Zoltán Oszkár Szántó of SFC, Pál Bóday of HCSO

Discussion:

Planned discussants: Prof. Xin Chen of CASS, Péter Ruppert of Barabási Lab, others

12h00-12h15 CLOSING REMARKS – NEXT STEPS

Péter Szabadhegy of SFC

12h15-13h00 BUFFET LUNCH

Invited participants of the Workshop

Institute of European Studies (IES) at Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS)

Prof. Ping Huang, Director General

Prof. Xin Chen, Director of the Economic Division

Dr. Jun Zhang, Senior Researcher, EU Law Division

Dr. Zhigao He, Assistant Professor

Barabási Lab

Peter Ruppert, Consultant of the Barabási Lab

Hungarian Central Statistical Office (HCSO)

Dr. Gabriella Vukovich, the President of the HCSO

Dr. Áron Kincses, the Deputy President, Statistics Directorate

Pál Bóday, the Head of Multi-domain Statistics Department

Zsolt András, the Deputy Head of Sectoral Statistics Department

Csaba Gilyán, the Head of the Business Statistics Department

Dr. Tímea Cseh, the Head of Quarterly and Sector Accounts Section

Marcell Kovács, the Head of Population Census and Demographic Statistics Department

Antónia Schwartz, Expert of Quality of Life Statistics Department

Corvinus University of Budapest (CUB)

Dr. Lívía Pavlik, the Chancellor of the CUB

Dr. András Láncki, the Rector of the CUB

Dr. László Gulácsi, Vice Rector for Research

Social Futuring Center (SFC) of the CUB

Prof. Petra Aczél, the Head of the Center (communication, culture and behavior)

Prof. Zoltán Oszkár Szántó, Senior Research Fellow, former Head

János Csák, Honorary Professor, Head of Project ConNext 2050

Péter Szabadhegy, International Affairs, Project ConNext 2050 (geopolitics)

John Mueller, Adjunct Senior Research Fellow

Dr. Tamás Kocsis, Senior Research Fellow (ecology)

Dr. Eszter Monda, Research Fellow, Project Manager (IT and futures studies)

Prof. Árpád Rab, Associated Senior Research Fellow (digital culture)

Prof. Tamás Bartus, Senior Research Fellow (societal, demographical processes)

Dr. Róbert Iván Gál, Senior Research Fellow (demography, aging of societies)

Eszter Deli, Research Fellow (communication)

Dr. Lajos Kovács, Associated Senior Research Fellow (communication)