

Annual report for David Lane for the academic year 2011-2012.

David Lane was made an Academician of the Academy of Social Sciences (London). As part of his work supported by a British Academy Grant on long term unemployment, he arranged and attended focus groups of unemployed people in Kiev and also commissioned questions on a national public opinion poll, and interviews with the unemployed in Kiev, Ukraine. He presented his research (Unemployment in Post State Socialism: the Case of Ukraine) at a meeting at Shandong University, Jinan, China, and also at the biannual meeting of the European Association for Comparative Economic Studies.

He spoke at a number of conferences and workshops on the relationship of the global system to the post-socialist states and China and the effects of the economic crisis on the post-communist states. He also had papers and articles published on these topics which are detailed below. He was invited to give a paper on elites in British society at a conference in honour of John Higley.

Publications

'The Impact of Economic Crisis: Russia, Belarus and Ukraine in Comparative Perspective', *Journal of Communist and Transition Politics*, vol. 27, Nos 3-4. September 2011. pp. 587-604.

'Identity Formation and Political Elites in Post-Socialist States', in David Lane, Elites and Identities in Post-Soviet Space (Ed), London Routledge, 2012 pp. 1-12.

'Grazhdanskoe obshchestvo v stranakh EC: ideologiya, instituty i predvizhenie demokratii'. Polis, Moscow. No 2, 2012. pp. 98-116. (Journal of the Russian Political Science Association).

'Sotsiologicheskie posledstviya dvadtsati let preobrazovaniy: kak sblizhayutsya Vostok i Zapad?' Sotsiologiya. Kiev Jan-March 2012 No 1, pp.20-42. (Journal of the Institute of Sociology, Academy of Sciences of Ukraine).

Review article: 'Vladimir Putin and the Struggle for Russia'. Review of: Angus Roxburgh, *The Strongman: Vladimir Putin and the Struggle for Russia* (2011) London Progressive Journal 19 April 2012.

Review article: The Global Economic Crisis and 'Possible Futures', Review of: Craig Calhoun and Georgi Derluquian (Eds), The Roots of the Global Financial Meltdown. (Vol 1). The Deepening Crisis: Governance, Challenges After Neoliberals (Vol 2). The Aftermath: A New Global Economic Order (Vol 3). New York University Press. New York and London, 2011. London Progressive Journal, 18 June 2012.

Lectures and papers given

He participated in the 'Elites and Trans-Atlantic Crisis Symposium' at the University of Texas 2-4 April 2012, and gave a paper entitled: The De-Coupling of National Elites from National Classes under Neo-Liberal Globalisation. (Conference in honour of John Higley).

'Twenty Years of Transformation: What's the Alternative for Russia?' Berlin, Frei Universitat, Institute of Sociology and Institute for East-European Studies. 12 July 2012.

'The New Russia: Is Socialism an Alternative?' Conference on 21st Century Marxism , London 21 July 2012.

'Explaining the Transformation from State Socialism'. Conference on European Visions and Divisions in Ukraine Ukraine (organised by the Taras Shevchenko National University) 3-10 June 2012.

'Unemployment in Post State Socialism: the Case of Ukraine' 2 July 2012. Jinan, Shandong University, Institute of Marxism-Leninism. He also presented this paper at the European Association for Comparative Economic Studies. (**EACES**) **Conference**. 7 September 2012 at the University of the West of Scotland.

'Twenty Years of Transformation and What is the Alternative for Russia', University of Helsinki, 12 September 2012.