

Mgr. Zsolt Gál, Ph.D.

Work:

- From 2006 **Assistant professor**, Department of Political Science, Faculty of Arts, Comenius University, Bratislava. (Courses: From socialism to EU – economic transformation in Slovakia and the CEE countries, Introduction to economy, Public finances, Economic policies of the European Union, Challenges of international migration.)
- 2005-2006 **Lecturer at** Corvinus University in Budapest, Hungary (within the Ph.D. program). Courses: Basics of European integration, European integration policies.
- From 1999 **Writing comments and analyses to various newspapers in Slovakia** (Mainly Denník N, Új Szó, Sme; from 2013 to 2018 regular weekly commentator of Hungarian daily in Slovakia “Új Szó”).
- 2010-2016 **Advisor** (in economic issues) for the head of political group of the Most-Híd party in the Slovak parliament.

Education:

- 2003 – **Economics (PhD.)** International relations Ph.D. program, Corvinus University Budapest, Hungary Department of World Economy
- 1998 – **Political science (MA)** - Department of Political Science, Philosophical Faculty, Comenius University, Bratislava

Language ability: Hungarian, Slovak (Czech), English, (basic) French

Internship, courses:

- March – **Internship in the European Parliament, Brussels. MEP** from Slovakia: Edit Bauer
- June 2006 (EPP-ED – European Peoples Party – European Democrats).
- 2003-2004 „**Assistant Training**”) organised by CET EPP-ED (Centre for Political Parliamentary Education and Training, Budapest, Hungary).
- 2001-2002 **Internship in the Slovak parliament**, Committee for Defence and Security.
- 2001-2002 “**Campaign Collage**” – series of courses by National Democratic Institute Slovakia on election campaign management.
- 2000-2001 **Course of European integration** by Academia Istropolitana Nova, Svätý Jur (Slovakia) in cooperation with the European Institute of Public Administration (Maastricht, Netherlands) and various Dutch, Irish and Swedish universities.

Research:

- 2021 present - Project supported by the Slovak Research and Development Agency (APVV) on green energy transition in EU countries (‘EU Green Recovery in the post-Covid-19 Period’ APVV-20-0012) - member of the research team.
- 2020 present - Project of international co-operation ‘Developing a new curriculum in Global Migration, Diaspora and Border Studies in East-Central Europe’ (2020-1-SK01-KA203-078263) supported by the Erasmus+ Programme - member of the research team.
- 2017 – 2021 Project supported by the Slovak Research and Development Agency (APVV) on energy policy in the CEE countries (‘Priorities of the Central and Eastern European Countries in the context of Energy Union’ APVV-16-0062) - member of the research team.
- 2017 – 2019 Project supported by the Slovak Grant Agency for Science (VEGA) on executive politics in Slovakia - main research coordinator.
- 2013 – 2016 Project supported by the Slovak Research and Development Agency (APVV) on institutional performance in the new member states of the EU - member of the research team.
- 2010 - 2012 Centre of Excellence on Social Innovations at the Comenius University – research on the roots of the financial crisis (co-operation of different departments and institutions of the Comenius University) - member of the research team.

Most relevant and most recent publications:

Books:

Gál, Zsolt 2011. *The 2007-2009 financial crisis: what went wrong and what went different?* Bratislava: Univerzita Komenského.

Studies, chapters:

Gál, Zsolt – Malová, Darina 2021. „Slovakia in the Eurozone: Tatra Tiger or Mafia State inside the Elite Club?“ In: Arató, Krisztina – Koller, Boglarka and Pelle, Anita (eds.) *The Political Economy of the Eurozone in Central and Eastern Europe. Why In, Why Out?* Abindon: Routledge, pp. 165-183.

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Gál, Zsolt 2019. Fiscal consequences of the refugee crisis. In: *International migration*, Vol. 57, No. 5/2019, pp. 341-354.

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Gál, Zsolt – Malová, Darina 2018. Slovakia: A Farewell to a Passive Policy Taker Role? In: Schweiger, Ch. – Visvizi, A. (eds.): *Central and Eastern Europe in the EU. Challenges and Perspectives Under Crisis Conditions*. Routledge Studies in the European Economy, Abingdon: Routledge, pp. 106-119.

Szomolányi, Soňa – Gál, Zsolt 2016. Slovakia's Elite: Between Populism and Compliance with EU Elites. In: Pakulski, J. (ed.): *The Visegrad countries in crisis*. Warsaw: Collegium Civitas pp. 66-86.

Baboš, Pavol – Gál, Zsolt 2014. Avoiding the high debt – low growth trap lessons for the new member states. In: *Business systems & economics*, Vol. 4, No. 2/2014, pp. 154-167.

Gál, Zsolt 2013. *Proti vôli väčšiny: Príbeh „tatranského tigra“*. (Against the will of the majority: The story of the Tatra Tiger.) In: Bútora, M. – Mesežnikov, G. – Bútorová, Z. – Kollár M. (eds.): *Odkiaľ a Kam. 20 rokov samostatnosti*. Bratislava: Inštitút pre Verejné Otázky a Kalligram, pp. 517-534.

Gál, Zsolt 2013. *Farewell to the Carpathian tiger: impact of the global crisis on Slovakia*. In: Ágh A. – Vass L. (eds.): *European futures: the perspectives of the new member states in the new Europe*, Budapest: College of Communication and Business, pp. 337-362.

Gál, Zsolt 2013. Debt crisis, defence spending and shifting balance of power. In: Majer, M. – Ondrejcsák, R. (eds.): *Panorama of global security environment 2013*, Bratislava: CENAA (Centre for European and North Atlantic Affairs), pp. 551-567.

Gál, Zsolt 2011. *Munkaerő-migráció Szlovákiából az uniós csatlakozás után komparatív szemszögből*. (Labour migration from Slovakia after the EU accession – a comparative view.) *Demográfia*, Vol. 54, No. 4 /2011, pp. 236-269.

Gál, Zsolt 2009. Argentina on the Danube – Populist Economic Policy as the Biggest Enemy of Sustainable Economic Growth. In: Petőcz, K. (ed.): *National Populism and Slovak – Hungarian Relations in Slovakia 2006 – 2009*. Šamorín: Forum Minority Research Institute, pp. 181-221.