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Iván Tosics (born in Budapest in 1952) is one of the principals of Metropolitan Research Institute. He is mathematician and sociologist (PhD) and research fellow with long experience in urban sociology, strategic development, housing policy and EU regional policy issues. He is Vice Chair of the European Network for Housing Research (ENHR) and Coordination Committee member of the European Urban Research Association (EURA). He is the Policy Editor of the journal 'Urban Research and Practice'.

He was member of the UN ECE Working Group on housing renewal, and of the Group of Specialists on Access to Housing (CS-LO), working for the Council of Europe. He participated in the Stakeholder Consultation Event on the development of the Thematic Strategy on the Urban Environment (European Commission DG Environment). He represented MRI in several EU Fifth Framework Programme projects, such as 'UGIS: Urban Development Programmes, Urban Governance, Social Inclusion and Sustainability', 'RESTATE: Restructuring Large-scale Housing Estates in European Cities: Good Practices and New Visions for Sustainable Neighborhoods and Cities', 'CUHP: Constructing Understandings of Homeless Populations', and most recently 'PLUREL: Peri-urban land use relationships – Strategies and sustainability assessment tools for urban-rural linkages' (FP6). As the representative of the Municipality of Budapest he participated in the EU Fifth Framework Programme projects 'INTERACT: Urban Governance in Practice' and 'REGENERA: Urban Regeneration In Europe'.

Iván Tosics represents the Municipality of Budapest in the Economic Development Forum of EURO CITIES. He is coordinating the work of Budapest, who has been elected as chair of the EDF for 2007-2008.

He was invited to many international conferences and expert seminars related to his research fields, as a speaker or as a chairperson. He is member of the Editorial Advisory Board of the 'Journal of Housing and the Built Environment' and of 'Housing Studies'.

He participated in the preparation of the Rehabilitation Strategy of Budapest, and is the leader of a consortium working on the medium and long term Urban Development Strategy of Budapest.

Together with József Hegedüs, he organised the ENHR International Housing Conference in Budapest in 1993 (300 participants) and ENHR conference in Balatonfüred in 1999 (150 participants).

QUALIFICATIONS SUMMARY

Order: most recent first. Dates (bolded). Position, program/area, *brief* description (normal font, no bold/no italics). If more detailed duties are included, may use the 4,0 character bullet to define.

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

1989-Present Principal, Metropolitan Research Institute, Budapest, Hungary
1988-1989 Research Fellow, Institute of Sociology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences
1983-1988 Research Fellow, Institute for Building Economy and Organization (ÉGSZI), Budapest.
1975-1982 Sociologist, Planning Institute for Budapest (BUVÁTI)

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

- Member of executive committee of the European Network for Urban Research (ENHR)
- Member of executive committee of European Urban Research Association (EURA)
- Member of the editorial advisory board of Housing Studies
- Member of the editorial advisory board of the Journal of Housing and the Built Environment

SELECTED EXPERIENCE

EUROCITIES, Economic Development Forum (Earlier Economic Development and Urban Reconstruction Committee, EDURC): represents the city of Budapest, coordinates the work of Budapest as chair of EDF for 2007 (and potentially 2008)

European Community 6th Framework Programme, PLUREL (Peri-urban land use relationships – Strategies and sustainability assessment tools for urban-rural linkages’): dealing with elaborating planning and urban governance types across EU countries, and with social indicators connected to land use change processes.

European Community 5th Framework Programme, RESTATE (Restructuring Large-scale Housing Estates in European Cities: Good Practices and New Visions for Sustainable Neighborhoods and Cities): represents the case of Budapest and Nyíregyháza (Hungary) in a research project surveying the problems of the large post-WWII housing estates with the aim to find evidence-based potential solutions for sustainable future development of these areas

European Community 5th Framework Programme, CUHP (Constructing Understandings of Homeless Populations): represents the case of Budapest and Hungary in a research project surveying the definition, methodology, etc. of homelessness

European Community 5th Framework Programme, INTERACT (Urban Governance in Practice): represents the city of Budapest in a research project dealing with the implementation of strategic development programmes in European cities

European Community 5th Framework Programme, REGENERA (Urban Regeneration In Europe): represents the city of Budapest in a research project dealing with urban regeneration strategies for European cities

Council of Europe: Editorial Group of Access to Social Rights (CS-ASR): Worked as expert for housing.

Council of Europe: Group of Specialists on Access to Housing (CS-LO): Worked as expert for the international group, prepared a report on Access to housing for vulnerable categories of persons.

Council of Europe: “Making South-Eastern Europe a Region of Social Cohesion”. His responsibility was to consult five South-Eastern European countries in the framework of Thematic Network 5: Housing problems in South-Eastern Europe

European Community Non-Twinning Special Preparatory Programme for the Structural Funds in Hungary. Prepared an assessment of current management capacities of the Regional Development Councils and Regional Development Agencies

European Community 5th Framework Programme, UGIS: represents the case of Budapest and Szeged in a research project surveying the consequences of urban development plans

The European Federation of National Organisations working with the Homeless (FEANTSA): prepared the Eastern and Central European part of the study on Strategies to combat homelessness in western and Eastern Europe

UN Habitat: Urban Indicators Project Managed the project in Hungary and led the collection of Central-East European Urban Indicators

Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Government of Hungary: prepared an overview and evaluation of the European Community Initiative URBAN

Budapest Municipality, Office of European Affairs and International Relations: advisor in EU related matters, representing Budapest in several seminars, conferences

Budapest Municipality: Strategic Development Concept and Program of Budapest Works as the head of a consultant team which is working out a new medium and long-term

development concept for the Capital city. Analyzes the suburbanization trends, the housing problems in the city and the fiscal relations between the national and the local government.

Budapest Municipality: Rehabilitation Concept and Program for Budapest Worked out a financial and organizational concept for the renovation of deteriorated inner city and old industrial areas. Proposed a new subsidy system to the Capital to assist condominium owners with the rehabilitation of their newly privatized buildings

ENHR: International Housing Conference in 1993 (300 participants) and 1999 (150 participants) Worked as the leader of the organizing committee. Prepared the topics of the workshops, invited workshop leaders and key note speakers. Supervised the organizing

USAID: Housing Sector in Hungary: recommendation towards a new subsidy system Analyzed the changes in the housing sector between 1990-1995

committee.

World Bank, UN Habitat, USAID: Housing Indicators Project Managed the project in Hungary and led the comparative work on Central-East European Housing Indicators. Designed and prepared national housing indicators which served as input data in an international comparative research project which was presented at the Habitat II Conference.

USAID: Housing Concept for Szolnok Managed the project. Designed a survey and analyzed data on housing mobility in the city. Worked out a complex housing strategy including a housing allowance system and an alternative rent system for the city. Provided technical assistance in the administrative processing system for the housing allowance.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Sociology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, 1994

MA, Sociology, Loránd Eötvös University, Budapest 1983

MS, Mathematics, Attila József University, Szeged, 1975

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Academic courses: Under- and postgraduate courses on housing sociology, urban

- Széchenyi Kollégium (for outstanding students of the Budapest Corvinus University in Economics and the Budapest Eötvös Loránt University), since 2003
- Central European University, intensive 2-week long summer courses for international participants (2001, 2002)
- Budapest Technical University, Center for Urban Studies (from 1995-) Urban development and restructuring in East-Central Europe
- Eötvös Lóránd University, Institute for Social Policy, since 1994: The sociology of housing and urban development

development policy at

LANGUAGES

Hungarian, English, German

Tosics, Iván: Negotiating with the Commission: the debates on the 'housing element' of the Structural Funds. *Urban Research and Practice* Vol. 1, No. 1, March 2008, 93-100

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS IN ENGLISH OR GERMAN

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Tosics, Iván: [Spatial restructuring in post-socialist Budapest](#). In.: Sasha Tsenkova – Zorica Nedović-Budić (eds.): *The Urban Mosaic of Post-Socialist Europe. Space, Institutions and Policy*. Chapter 7, pp. 131-150. Physica-Verlag. A Springer Company. 2006

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of territorial cohesion in Europe. DIAP, Politecnico di Milano, 2006

Knorr-Siedow, T. and Tosics, I.: [Knowledge management and enhanced policy application](#). In.: van Kempen, R., Dekker, K., Hall, S. and Tosics, I.(eds): *Restructuring large housing estates in Europe*. Chapter 16, pp. 321-340. The Policy Press, University of Bristol, Great Britain, 2005

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["City Development in Central and Eastern Europe Since 1990: the Impact of Internal Forces"](#). In F. E. Ian Hamilton, Kaliopa Dimitrovska Andrews, and Nataša Pichler-Milanović (eds): Transformation of cities in Central and Eastern Europe: towards globalization . The United Nations University Press, Tokyo; New York, 2005

“Post-Socialist Budapest: The Invasion of Market Forces and the Response of Public Leadership” In F. E. Ian Hamilton, Kaliopa Dimitrovska Andrews, and Nataša Pichler-Milanović (eds): Transformation of cities in Central and Eastern Europe: towards globalization . The United Nations University Press, Tokyo; New York, 2005

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Tosics, I. and Dukes, T.: [Urban Development Programmes in the Context of Public Administration and Urban Policy](#). In.: Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie - 2005, Vol. 96, No. 4, pp. 390- 408. Published by Blackwell Publishing Ltd., Oxford, UK and Malden USA

“Alternativen zur Massenprivatisierung von Wohnraum” In: Gesellschaften von Eigentümern? Wohnen im Postsozialismus. Ost-west-Gegeninformationen. Jg. 17, Nr. 1/2005.

“National Urban Policies in the New EU countries: Responses to Urban Issues in Hungary” (with Szemzo, H), In abbreviated form published in: National Urban Policies in the European Union. Cities in the New EU Countries. Position, Problems,

[“European Urban Development: Sustainability and the Role of Housing”](#). In: Journal of Housing and the Built Environment 19: 67-90, 2004.

“Sustainable Development and Economic Competitiveness in Metropolitan Regions. A Perspective from an Accession Country.” In: Territorial Cohesion. Meeting new challenges in an enlarged EU. Report of Conference organised in Galway, during the Irish Presidency, 25-27 May 2004.

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“Sozialvertragliche Stadtentwicklung im Stadtwettbewerb. Stadtentwicklungspolitik am Beispiel von Wien und Budapest.” (mit Rudolf Giffinger, Johannes Wimmer, Hans Kramar, Hanna Szemző). Wiener Beiträge zur Regionalwissenschaft, 18. Institut für Stadt- und Regionalforschung, Technische Universität Wien. 2003.

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