

Central European University
Equality and Social Justice Research Group

Constructing ‘Ethnic Crime’: Legal and Anthropological Approaches

Brown bag lunch seminar

Expanding the scope of discrimination: the case of ethnic profiling

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Following an introduction to the concept of ethnic profiling in law enforcement, and a brief description of a recent pilot project in Hungary, the presentation will focus on possible options for extending and readjusting the legal concept of discrimination to include profiling and hate speech.

Street life, morality and exchange in a poor neighborhood of Bucharest

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The presentation is based on a long term fieldwork in an ethnically mixed (Roma and non-Roma Romanian) marginal neighborhood of Bucharest. My aim is to provide an introduction to some of the underlying principles of getting by in conditions characterized by territorial stigmatization, the weakness of local state institutions and the widespread reliance on informality in everyday arrangements. In order to be efficient in these circumstances - to become "cunning" or a "player" (smecher) - one has to attend the "school of life" which is defined in opposition to the realm of formal education. Following the classical strategy of urban ethnographies, the paper introduces these categories of local knowledge from a perspective oriented towards a street-corner.

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