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**EDUCATION**

- 2000-2004 Ph. D., 2004 May 19,  
Columbia University, Department of Sociology, New York
- 1997-2000 Ph. D. studies,  
Budapest University of Economic Sciences and Public Administration (Corvinus University)
- 1995-1997 M. Sc. in Economics and Sociology,  
Budapest University of Economic Sciences and Public Administration (Corvinus University)
- 1992-1995 B. A. in Economics and Sociology,  
Budapest University of Economic Sciences and Public Administration (Corvinus University)
- 1988-1992 Budapesti Piarista Gimnázium

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2008- Director, Center for Network Science, Central European University
- 2008- Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, Central European University
- 2007- PhD Director, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, Central European University
- 2004-2008 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, Central European University
- 2000-2003 Research Fellow, Institute of Sociology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

## **DISSERTATION**

“Network Sequences of Social Change: The Transformation of Ownership and Economic Policy Discourse in Hungary, 1987-2001”

Committee: David Stark, Peter Bearman, Harrison White, Laszlo Bruszt, Walter Powell

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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| 2004-     | Logic of social inquiry, research methods, advanced research methodology, social network analysis, civic activism, economic transformations, and economic sociology (CEU) |
| 2003-     | Social Network Analysis. Columbia University, Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy, methodological short course series (lecturer)                        |
| 1999-2000 | Business organizations and networks. Corvinus University (instructor).  |
| 1999      | Economic Sociology. College of Economics, Budapest, MATAV (lecturer)  |
| 1998      | Social Network Analysis. Corvinus University, István Széchenyi Collegium (instructor)   |
| 1997      | Statistical methods for sociologists. Corvinus University, István Széchenyi Collegium (instructor)  |

## **AWARDS**

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| 2009 | W. Richard Scott Award for Distinguished Scholarship. Organizations, Occupations, and Work Section of the American Sociological Association.   |
| 2008 | Bezerédj Prize, for outstanding young social scientists  |
| 2005 | Ferenc Erdei Prize of the Hungarian Sociological Association for an outstanding young sociologist  |
| 2003 | Alex Inkeles Award for Outstanding Graduate Student, Department of Sociology, Columbia University  |
| 2002 | SSHA-Rockefeller Best Graduate Student Paper Award. Social Science History Association, 2002 Annual Meeting, October 24-27, St. Louis.   |
| 1999 | Pro Scientia Gold Medal. (Given bi-annually to the best young Hungarian scholar in each discipline by the president of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the Minister of Education.) |

1999	First prize in sociology at the Hungarian National Student Conference (Országos Tudományos Diákköri Konferencia)
1997	Award for Outstanding Scientific Work, given at graduation at Budapest University of Economic Sciences.
1997	Second prize in sociology at the Hungarian National Student Conference (Országos Tudományos Diákköri Konferencia)
1997	First prize in sociology at the University Student Conference (Egyetemi Tudományos Diákköri Konferencia)
1996	Second prize in sociology at the University Student Conference (Egyetemi Tudományos Diákköri Konferencia)

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2006-2011	“Network Dynamics in an Emerging Democracy.” National Science Foundation SES 0616802. Co-Principal Investigator (with David Stark as Principal Investigator)
2007-2008	“Evolving Regional Governance Regimes: Challenges for Institution Building in the CEE Countries.” EU FP6 research project. Researcher (with Laszlo Bruszt as principal investigator)
2007	Associate Research Scholar, Harriman Institute, Columbia University
2003-2006	International Fellow, Santa Fe Institute
2004-2005	“Technologies of Civil Society in East Central Europe.” National Science Foundation SES-0115378. Co-Principal Investigator (with David Stark as Principal Investigator)
2004	Junior Fellow, Collegium Budapest, Institute for Advanced Study
2002-2005	“Pathways of Property Transformation: Enterprise Network Careers in Hungary, 1989-2000.” National Science Foundation SES 0136995. Researcher (with David Stark as Principal Investigator)
2002-2004	ISERP Fellow (Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy, Columbia University)
2002-2004	Doctoral Fellowship from the National Science Foundation
2001-2004	Paul Lazarsfeld Fellowship, Columbia University
2000-2001	Fulbright Fellowship, Columbia University

- 1999-2000 “Business groups in transition.” Research grant of the Hungarian Prime Minister’s Office
- 1999 “Social networks, organizational culture and financial performance.” Research grant of the MATAV corporation
- 1997 “Banks and power.” Research grant from Ferenc Faludi Academy

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Books*

- 2011 Balázs Vedres, and Marco Scotti (editors). *Networks in Social Policy Problems*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge UK. (forthcoming).
- 2002 Balázs Vedres, and Zoltán Szántó (editors). *Kapcsolathálók, szervezeti kultúra, pénzügyi teljesítmény. Szervezetszociológiai tanulmányok a magyar távközlésfejlesztés finanszírozásáról*. (Networks, organizational culture, and financial performance: Studies of financing Hungarian telecommunications development) Aula, 2002, Budapest.

### *Journal articles, book chapters*

- 2011 Laszlo Bruszt and Balazs Vedres. “Local developmental agency from without.” *Theory and Society*, forthcoming.
- 2010 Balazs Vedres and David Stark. “Structural Folds: Generative Disruption in Overlapping Groups” *American Journal of Sociology* 115(4): 1150-90.
- 2010 Balazs Vedres and Laszlo Bruszt. “La promozione dello sviluppo dall'esterno. Le agenzie per lo sviluppo locale nell'Europa centrale e orientale.” *Stato e Mercato* 80(2):189-219.
- 2009 David Stark and Balazs Vedres. “A tulajdonosi hálózatok evolúciója és külföldi tulajdon Magyarországon” *Szociológiai Szemle* 19(2):3-41.
- 2009 Laszlo Bruszt and Balazs Vedres. “The Politics of Civic Combinations.” in: Victor Perez-Diaz (editor): Markets and Civil Society. Berghahn Books, New York, NY.
- 2008 Laszlo Bruszt and Balazs Vedres. “The Politics of Civic Combinations” *VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations* 19(2):140-160
- 2007 Balazs Vedres. “Pathways from postsocialism: ownership sequence and performance of firms in Hungary, 1991–1999.” *European Management Review* 4(2):93-105.

- 2007 David Stark, and Balazs Vedres. "Social Sequence Analysis: Ownership Networks, Political Ties, and Foreign Investment in Hungary" in: John Padgett, and Walter W. Powell (editors): *Economic Transformations and Trajectories: A Dynamic Multiple-Network Approach*. Santa Fe Institute (forthcoming)
- 2006 Balazs Vedres. "Politikusok a magyar nagyvállalatok hálózatában 1987-2001 között." *Magyar Tudomány*, 2006/11:1339-1344.
- 2006 David Stark, Balazs Vedres, and Laszlo Bruszt. "Rooted Transnational Publics: Integrating Foreign Ties and Civic Activism." *Theory and Society*, 35(3):323-349.
- 2006 David Stark, and Balazs Vedres. "Social Times of Network Spaces: Network Sequences and Foreign Investment in Hungary." *American Journal of Sociology*, 111(5) 1367-1411.
- 2005 Balázs Vedres. "The Social Structure of Research Accountability." *Foresight Europe* 2:35-37.
- 2005 David Stark, and Balazs Vedres. "Sequenze di rete e investimento estero in Ungheria" *Stato E Mercato* 75(3):391-422.
- 2005 Zoltán Szántó, and Balázs Vedres. "Interfacing the Market: Network Based Reengineering of Hierarchies". *Journal of Business and Industrial Marketing*, Volume 5.
- 2005 Balázs Vedres, Laszlo Bruszt, and David Stark. "Organizing Technologies: Genre Forms of Online Civic Association in Eastern Europe." *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 597:171-188.
- 2005 Laszlo Bruszt, Balázs Vedres, and David Stark. "Shaping the Web of Civic Participation: Civil Society Websites in Eastern Europe." *Journal of Public Policy*, 25(1):149-163.
- 2005 Laszlo Bruszt, Balázs Vedres, and David Stark. "A technológiák szervezése és a szervezés technológiái: az online civil szerveződés főbb műfaji formái Kelet-Európában." *Információs Társadalom*, 2005/1.
- 2004 David Stark, and Balazs Vedres. "Социальное время сетевых пространств: анализ последовательности формирования сетей и иностранных инвестиций в Венгрии, 1987–2001." *Экономическая социология* 6(1):14-45.
- 2004 Balázs Vedres. "Testing Narratives of Postsocialism: Transition and Sequence Approaches to the Ownership Histories of the Largest Hungarian Corporations, 1991-1999". *Hungarian Review of Sociology*, special issue
- 2000 Balázs Vedres. "The Constellations of Economic Power." *Connections* (journal of the International Network of Social Network Analysis) 23(1):44-59.
- 2000 Balázs Vedres: "A tulajdonosi hálózatok felbomlása. A rekombináns tulajdonformák szerepe és a hazai nagyvállalatok tulajdonszerkezetének jellemzöi

- a kilencvenes évek végén.” (The dissolution of ownership networks: The role of recombinant ownership forms and the structure Hungarian large firm ownership at the end of the nineties.) *Közgazdasági Szemle* 47(8):680-699.
- 1999 Balázs Vedres. “The Constellations of Economic Power: the Position of Political Actors, Banks and Large Corporations in the network of Directorate Interlocks in Hungary.” *BISS Public, Brandenburg- Berliner Instituts für sozialwissenschaftliche Studien*, 1999/28.
- 1999 Balázs Vedres. “The Constellations of Economic Power: the Position of Political Actors, Banks and Large Corporations in the network of Directorate Interlocks in Hungary.” In: Sabine Gensior (editor): *Sprungbrett Region*. Berlin, Edition Sigma, 2001.
- 1998 Balázs Vedres: A piaci átmenet elmélettörténete. (The history of ideas on market transition.) *Szociológiai Szemle*, 1998 December
- 1998 Balázs Vedres: Locked in Centrality. Banks in the Network of Large Corporations in Hungary, 1997. *Szociológiai Szemle* English special issue, 1998 December
- 1998 Balázs Vedres: A gazdasági mező szerkezete Magyarországon. (The structure of the economic field in Hungary.) *Közgazdasgtudományi Egyetem jubileumi kiadvány*, 1998 Augusztus
- 1998 Balázs Vedres: Üzleti csoportok a magyar gazdasági átmenetben. (Business groups in the Hungarian economic transition.) *Cafe Babel* 1998 Nyár
- 1997 Balázs Vedres: Bank és hatalom. Bankok a hazai nagyvállalatok kapcsolathálójában. (Bank and power: banks in the network of large enterprises.) *Szociológiai Szemle* 1997/ 2.
- 1997 Balázs Vedres: Ökonokrata menedzser elit - az átalakulás nyertesei? (Econocratic manager elite – the winners of transformation?) *Szociológiai Szemle* 1997/1.

## **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

- 2010 "Structural Folds: Social Structures of Innovation." Invited speaker, NetSci 2010 International School and Conference on Network Science, MIT and Northeastern University, Boston, May 10-14, 2010.
- 2008 “The Coevolution of the Political Field and Politicized Business Networks in Hungary, 1987-2006.” First ISA Forum of Sociology, Barcelona, Spain, September 5-8, 2008.
- 2007 “For the Profit of the Region? Accountability and EU Projects Won by NGOs, Firms, and Municipalities in Hungary and Poland.” Accountability of Private Organizations. European University Institute, November 30 – December 1, 2007.

- 2007 “Historical Network Analysis, and the Dynamics of Cohesion.” The Age of Networks: Social, Cultural, and Technological Connections. National Center for Supercomputing Applications, Urbana-Champaign, April 26, 2007.
- 2006 “Politicized Business Ties: Business Groups in Post-Socialism.” Global IP Fellows Meeting, Santa Fe Institute, September 15, 2006.
- 2006 “The Life of Triangles: Dynamics of Business Network Cohesion.” Santa Fe Institute, Santa Fe NM, September 12 , 2006.
- 2004 “Social Times of Network Spaces.” 99th Annual Meeting, American Sociological Association, Regular Session, Economic Sociology. San Francisco, August 14-17, 2004.
- 2003 “Lock-ins, Sell-offs, and Takeovers: Analysis of Ownership Sequences in Postsocialism.” 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, American Sociological Association, Economic Sociology Paper Session. Atlanta, August 16-19. 2003.
- 2002 “Testing Narratives of Postsocialism: Transition and Sequence Approaches to the Ownership Changes of the Largest Hungarian Corporations, 1991-1999.” Social Science History Association, 2002 Annual Meeting, October 24-27, St. Louis
- 2002 “The Analysis of Network Event Sequences.” Workshop on Network Visualization, Center for the Sociology of Innovation, Ecole des Mines, June 9-10, Paris
- 2002 “The Shape of Postsocialist Time: From Grand Narratives to Typical Sequences of Ownership Changes in Hungary, 1991-1999.” Society for Comparative Research 4th Annual Graduate Student Retreat, May 8th-10th, 2002, Central European University, Budapest
- 2002 “Pathways of Property Transformation.” Sunbelt XXII International Social Networks Conference, February 13 – 17, New Orleans
- 2001 “The Network Structure of Internet Markets.” Sunbelt XXI International Social Networks Conference, May 2 - May 5, Budapest
- 1999 “Constellations of Economic Power.” Institution und Lebenswelt oder ökonomische Rationalität, April 16-17, Berlin Institute of Social Sciences, Berlin, Germany
- 1998 “The Discourse of Consolidation: Network Analysis of Four Months of Economic Policy Discourse.” (with Péter Csigó) Sunbelt XVIII and Fifth European International Social Networks Conference, May 28 - May 31, Sitges, Spain
- 1998 “Interlocking Comrades: Modeling Economic Transformation with Networks” (with Barnabás Gerö) Eleventh International Conference of Europeanists, February 26-28, Baltimore, USA

- 1997        “Bank and Power.” Annual Conference of the European Association of Financial Researchers, May 12-15, Budapest, Hungary

#### **ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 2008-        Editor, Hungarian Review of Sociology
- 2007-2009     Member of the Sociology and Demography Jury of the Hungarian National Science Foundation
- 2006-        President, Social Networks Section of the Hungarian Sociological Association
- 2002-        Research Associate, Center for Organizational Innovation, Columbia University
- 1997-1999     Instructor at István Széchenyi Collegium, Corvinus University
- 1992-1997     Member of István Széchenyi Collegium, Corvinus University

#### **ADDITIONAL NON-ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 2007-        Advisor at Morningside Analytics (a New York based firm offering services in blog-network mapping)
- 2002        Consulting project at the Hungarian Ministry of Environment (organizational restructuring by social network analysis)
- 1999, 2000     Consulting projects at major Hungarian firms (organizational restructuring by social network analysis)