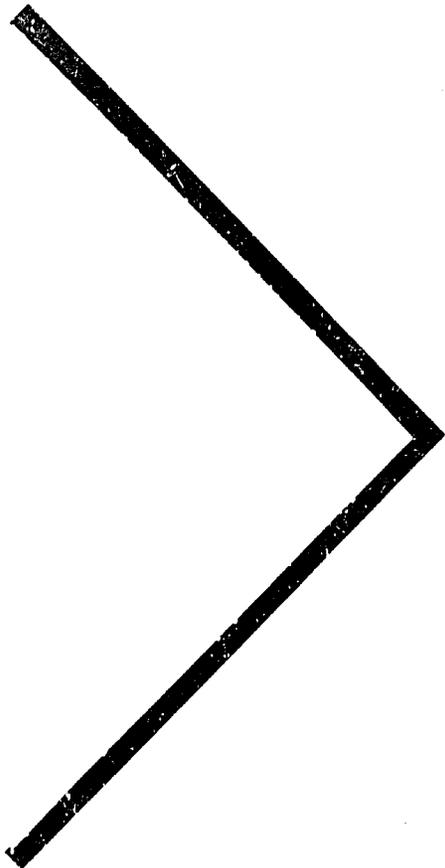


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Biographies of Eastern European Women attending the Europe-America Conference

1. Ms. Vera Danielova

Member of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Czechoslovakia*

After the November revolution of 1989 Danielova was the founder of the local branches of Civic Forum in Slovakia. In the spring of 1990 she was Civic Forum's campaign manager for the Central Slovakia Region's first free elections. She was elected to the National Council of the Slovak Republic in 1990.

2. Ms. Aida Shehu

Chief of the Press Bureau, Office of the President

Albania*

Shehu was formerly an editor of a Tirana daily. She received several journalistic awards before her appointment to the President's Office. She oversees a staff which handles the President's press relations both in Albania and abroad.

3. Ms. Verginia Veltcheva

Member of Parliament, Bulgaria*

Veltcheva was formerly a district representative for the region which includes the cities of Shumen and Novi Pazar. In this position she acted as liaison to the Parliament and director of federal programs in this district. In 1990 she was elected to Parliament to represent the entire district.

4. Ms. Natasha Lako

Member of Parliament, Albania*

Lako received an education in English and Philosophy. Lako is a prominent Albania author. In 1991 she was elected to Parliament from a district representing Tirana and several southern suburbs.

5. Ms. Jirina Nehybova

Brno City Council Member

Czechoslovakia

Nehybova is a signatory of Charter 77 and participated in the activities in the association before the Velvet Revolution of 1989. She currently serves with the Ministry of Culture for the Czech Republic as a Director for Underground Culture.

6. Ms. Jana Ryslinkova

Director of MENT Foundation

Czechoslovakia

Ryslinkova is a former member of the Czech National Council. She is now the Director of the MENT Foundation, an organization which seeks to provide for children with mental disabilities.

7. Ms. Rita Szilagyi

Municipal Representative, Federation of Young Democrats

Hungary

Szilagyi is a member of the City Council of Budapest. She chairs the committee dealing with urban restoration and renewal.

8. Ms. Erzsebet Palfy Cziné

Member of the Women's Forum and Education Committee of the Hungarian Democratic Forum, Hungary

Czine is a graduate of the Pedagogical Department of the University of Budapest. She currently works as a Professor at the University where she teaches history.

9. Ms. Paulina Barancewicz

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland

Graduate of the University of Warsaw. Formerly a lecturer at the Oriental Institute at the University of Warsaw, Barancewicz currently serves as a Desk Officer, Department of Americas, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

10. Ms. Magdalena Zembaty

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland

Graduate of the University of Warsaw School of Law. Zembaty formerly served as a Legislative Attorney for the Chancellery of Polish National Senate in Warsaw. In this capacity she drafted new laws on privatization and initiated legislative changes leading to the transition from communism to a market economy. She now serves as Adviser to the Minister, Department of Americas, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

11. Ms. Bogumila Maria Boba

Member of Parliament, Christian National Union, Poland*

Graduate of the Medical Academy in Wroclaw. Formerly a surgeon in Pszczyna Hospital, co-organized the new trauma surgery and orthopaedics ward at this hospital. In 1991 founded the Christian National Alliance in Bielsko-Biala and was elected to Parliament.

12. Ms. Marianna Smirnova

Member of St. Petersburg Medical Association, Russia

Graduated from the First St. Petersburg Medical Institute. Smirnova is a physician who has more than 10 years of experience as a practicing physician, and now is the head of one of the departments of the 2nd Polyclinic in St. Petersburg- one of the best and most advanced in Russia. Participates in the activity of the Medical Association.

13. Ms. Irina Tcherychova

Deputy Director of MEGANIT Ltd.

Representative of the Ecology Fund, Russia

Tcherychova graduated from a technical institute in St. Petersburg and works in a commercial firm dealing with technical and ecological projects. She participates in the activities of the Ecological Fund.

14. Ms. Andreja Crnak-Meglic

Party of Social Democratic Reforms

Slovenia

Crnak-Meglic is a sociologist by training and served as the former Minister for Child Care for the Republic of Slovenia. She chairs the working group on families and children for the party of Social Democratic Reforms.

15. Ms. Irina Pokrovskaya

Associate Professor of History

Ukrainian Institute of International Relations, Ukraine

Pokrovskaya teaches Euro-Atlantic Security and US foreign policy at Kiev University.

She has presented papers and participated in several international conferences in the United States and in Europe.

16. Ms. Natalia Zarovdna

First Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ukraine

Zarovdna graduated from Kiev University and was accepted into the Ukrainian Foreign Service. Zarovdna has received posting in the consular departments in Kiev and New York. She currently serves as First Secretary for the Cultural Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Kiev.

17. Ms. Olga Lukashuk
Kiev University, Ukraine

Lukashuk holds a Juris Doctorate from Kiev University. She is an Assistant Professor of international law at Kiev University. Her speciality is the development of international environmental law.

18. Ms. Ilona Kirule

Environmental Protection Committee, Latvia

Director of the international projects division of the Environmental Protection Committee of Latvia's Parliament. Formerly Kirule worked with the Scientific Research Institute of the Latvian Academy of Science. She holds a doctorate in Chemical Science and is a specialist in environmental management.

19. Ms. Maja Vojnovic

Director of Child Health Care, Slovenia

Vojnovic, a psychologist, was the director of a child health care facility in Ljubljana before her appointment to her present position in 1992. She received her initial training as a child psychologist in Belgrade.

20. Ms. Eliana Maseva

Mayor of Blaleoegrad, Bulgaria*

Maseva served on the Blaleoegrad City Council for ten years until she was elected its President in 1989. In 1990 she was elected Mayor of Blaleoegrad. Maseva is self-educated having never gone to a university.

21. Ms. Nadejda Michajlova

Spokesperson, Office of the President, Bulgaria*

Michajlova graduated from the University of Sofia with a degree in English and Journalism. She was formally a journalist and producer of documentary programs for the state radio agency in Sofia. In 1990 she began to produce programs on a freelance level. In 1991 she was appointed to her present position.

22. Ms. Diana Klementova

Pharmacist, Czechoslovakia

Klementova graduated from Charles University in 1991 with a degree in Chemistry. She currently works as a pharmacist in Pisek.

23. Dr. Ksenia Gonchar

Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Russia

Dr. Gonchar holds a Doctorate in Physics from Moscow University. She serves as a Senior Researcher with the Russian Academy of Sciences. Gonchar's research is concentrated upon developing means to convert military technology to civilian resources.

24. Ms. Natalia Percherskaya

Director of the School of Religion and Philosophy

St. Petersburg, Russia

Percherskaya is a professor of the history of religion and the Bible. She is a member of the Bible Society of St. Petersburg. She formerly worked with the Academy of Sciences in St. Petersburg to promote education of religious issues.

25. Ms. Andrea Pondelickova
Ministry of Agriculture, Czechoslovakia
Pondelickova serves as Director of Educational Programs for the Forestry Department, Ministry of Agriculture. She formerly served as Assistant Project Director for Forestry Issues at the Charles University Center for Environmental Scholarship.

26. Ms. Marta Schneider
Parliamentary Advisor, Hungary
Schneider is a Professor of Political Science at the University of Budapest. She serves as a consultant to the Parliament for international affairs. Her speciality is the analyses of the legislatures of Western Europe.

27. Ms. Magda Stankova
Political analyst for the Herald Factum in Prague
Czechoslovakia

28. Ms. Eugenia Rehnova
Institute for Democracy and European Unity
Czechoslovakia
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