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| Borut Rončević | Borut Rončević is ***Professor of Sociology*** at School of Advanced Social Studies in Nova Gorica and ***Jean Monnet Chair on Cultural Political Economy of Europe 2020*** at Faculty of Information Studies in Novo mesto. He is also a ***Fellow of Regional Studies Association.*** He received Ph.D. in Sociology on the topic of developmental performance of EU countries in 2003 and MA in EU studies in 2000. In 2002 he was ***Marie Curie fellow*** at Aalborg University (Denmark). He has been working as an academic consultant for the ***Council of Europe*** and for other regional, national and transnational organisations on the topic of EU policies since 2003.  His main research interests include sociological theory, social and cultural factors of European development, EU governance, and regional systems of innovation, with a specific focus on Cultural Political Economy approach. He has been teaching on BA, MA and Ph.D levels of study since 2005, including Jean Monnet Chair lectures since 2016, and is supervising PhD dissertations on EU topics. He has participated in a number of 6th and 7th Framework Programme and Horizon 2020 projects, including Network of Excellence “Efficient and Democratic Governance in a Multi-Level Europe”, as well as other transnational projects, including Erasmus+ Knowledge Alliances and Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education.  His work is well recognized in the academic community and has so far received over 800 citations (Google scholar). As a result of his consultancy, EU projects and his past role of Director General for Higher Education and Science at the Ministry he has good contact with key stakeholders in many European countries and good access to policy-makers from local to transnational levels. Due to his role as a public intellectual and columnist for one of the key news portals (Planet Siol) and weekly magazines (Reporter, Demokracija), his ideas are recognized by the general public.  *Role in the project:*  Most notably, ***he holds Jean Monnet Chair “Cultural Political Economy of Europe 2020”***, held at the Faculty of Information Studies in Novo mesto (Slovenia). His experience makes him well qualified for the role of ***Advisory board.*** He will enrich teaching (T1 and T2) and research activities (R1) and overall implementation of the Module. He will also aid in communication activities connecting SASS HUB with the international academic community. He will also review all the material (for R1 and all the deliverables).  As a public intellectual, he will contribute significantly to dissemination of project results to interested publics. |

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| **Role:** | 🞏 Chair holder  🗷 Academic coordinator | 🞏 Module leader  🞏 Member of the teaching staff |
| **Title of publication 1:**  **Year: 2019 (forthcoming)**  **Abstract** (Limit: 5 lines): | *Sociology and Cultural Political Economy of Eastern European Transformations (editor)*. Berlin, New York: Springer.  Post-socialist transformations were major historical processes and involved radical redefinition of economic and political imaginaries. The volume provides detailed analyses of the role of sociology in re-imagining Eastern Europe. Following the Cultural Political Economy approach, the volume explores the evolution of discourses and mechanisms of selectivities. | |
| **Title of publication 2:** | Social Topography for Sustainable Innovation Policy: Putting Institutions, Social Networks and Cognitive Frames in Their Place. *Comparative Sociology*, 2018, vol. 1, no. 1, pp. 1-28. | |
| **Year: 2018**  **Abstract** (Limit: 5 lines): | The authors’ employ fuzzy-set comparative analysis of a select group of EU regions with regions from other continents to reveal nuanced impact of social forces on developmental outcome. This implies that one-fits-all approach does not work and calls for a coherent, reflexive, context-specific and multi-level strategic vision. | |
| **Title of publication 3:** | *Information Society and its Manifestations: Economy, Politics, Culture*. New York, Vienna: Peter Lang. (co-editor Matevž Tomšič) | |
| **Year: 2017**  **Abstract:** | The volume is dealing with the implications of the information society in the European Union in a variety of areas, with a particular focus on the role of social and cultural factors in functioning regional innovation systems and the role of (political) institutions and social networks play in hierarchical management and heterarchical moderation of this process. | |
| **Title of publication 4:** | Is Europe 2020 Set to Fail? The Cultural Political Economy of the EU Grand Strategies. *European Planning Studies*, 2014, vol. 22, no. 3, pp. 610-626 (co-authors Matej Makarovič and Janez Šušteršič) | |
| **Year: 2014**  **Abstract:** | The European Union long-standing policy implementation deficit is also recognized for its grand strategies. Is Europe 2020 set to fail as well? In this paper, we are arguing that success or failure of a strategy essentially depends on ability to steer the discourse, to enhance internalization of practices conducive to smart, inclusive and sustainable growth. | |
| **Title of publication 5:** | Socio-cultural Factors of Developmental Performance Revisited. In: Jiri Strouhal (ed.): *Economics, Law and Political Science: Proceedings of the 4th International Conference on Economics, Political and Law Science (EPLS '15), Rome, Italy, November 7-9, 2015, pp. 13-21.* (with J. Suklan) | |
| **Year: 2015**  **Abstract:** | In this paper the authors revisit the original model of socio-cultural factors of development, which was developed to analyse the performance of European Union countries and identify factors for their core, semi-peripheral or peripheral status and analyse trends for the period between 2000 and 2015. The initial hypothesis is confirmed by the new data. | |
| **Title of publication 6:** | Towards the Strategies of Modern Societies: Systems and social Processes. *Innovation*, 2010, vol. 23, pp. 223-239. (co-author Matej Makarovič) | |
| **Year: 2011**  **Abstract:** | Although rational intentional action is clearly limited at the macrolevel (such as the European Union), grand strategies are nevertheless required in order to approach the Etzioni’s normative ideal of active society. We adapt Sztompka's »social becoming« theory to offer a solution to understanding strategy as a social process with a route to reduce implementation deficit. | |

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| **Title of the teaching course:**  **Year:** | Regional Policy and Regional Development  Since 2008 (ongoing) | |
| **Summary of content:** | This module is a part of BA programme in Applied Social Studies. This is an obligatory module course for 2nd or 3rd year students. The goal of the module is to educate future regional development planners or stakeholders to independently recognise key trends and tools in the European Union regional development policies. This is an interdisciplinary subject, therefore the experts have to be aware of their economic, political, cultural and legal aspects. | |
| **Title of the teaching course:**  **Year:** | Qualitative research methods  Since 2008 (ongoing) | |
| **Summary of content:** | This is obligatory module for 1st year students of MA programme in Informatics in Contemporary Society at the Faculty of Information Studies in Novo mesto. During this course students learn how to triangulate qualitative and quantitative research methods for the purpose of their own comparative research projects, mostly comparing EU Member States or regions, which ultimately lead to their own MA dissertations.  The module has been conducted since 2016 as a part of ***Jean Monnet Chair*** ***CPE2030*.** | |
| **Title of the teaching course:**  **Year:** | Contemporary Theories in Economic Sociology  Since 2009 (on-going) | |
| **Summary of content:** | This is elective module at Ph.D programme in Information Society (1st year) at the Faculty of Information Studies in Novo mesto. In this course students learn and explore under direct and indirect supervision the most recent theories and concepts in economic sociology and learn how to implement them in advanced social scientific research, which is mostly focusing on European societies. Special focus is put to developing links between abstract economic sociology courses and observable empirical phenomena.  The module has been conducted since 2016 as a part of ***Jean Monnet Chair*** ***CPE2030*.** | |

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| **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** | | | | | | | |
| 2003 Ph.D. in *Sociology* from University of Ljubljana (Slovenia). Dissertation title: *Models of Developmental Strategies*.  2000 MA in *European Social Policy Analysis*, international consortium programme conducted at National University of Ireland, Maynooth (Ireland), Roskilde University (Denmark), University of Ljubljana (Slovenia). Dissertation title: *Entrepreneurship: The Role of Structural Funds Facilitating SME development*.  1999 B.Sc. in *Sociology* from University of Ljubljana. Thesis title: *The Impact of the Third Sector in Contemporary Welfare States*. | | | | | | | |
| **WORK EXPERIENCE:** | | | | | | | |
| Currently: Professor of Sociology and Jean Monnet Chair at the Faculty of Information Studies (Novo mesto, Slovenia) and School of Advanced Social Studies (Nova Gorica, Slovenia)  Apr 2012 – Mar 2013: Director General for Higher Education and Science, Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports, Republic of Slovenia.  Dec 2011 – Mar 2012: Associate professor at the Faculty of Information Studies (Novo mesto, Slovenia) and School of Advanced Social Studies (Nova Gorica, Slovenia)  Dec 2006 – Nov 2011: Director of University and Research Centre, Novo mesto, Slovenia  Jun 2004 – Nov 2006: Head of Department of Development, the Municipality of Novo mesto (Slovenia)  Dec 1999 – May 2004: Ph.D. fellow and research assistant at University of Ljubljana (Slovenia)  *Visiting academic positions*  Jan-June 2018: visiting scholar at ***University of California, Irvine*** (USA)  Jan-Feb 2014: visiting academic researcher at ***University of Surrey*** (UK)  Mar-Apr 2013: visiting academic researcher at ***University of Surrey*** (UK)  Feb-Mar 2012: visiting scholar at ***University of Nevada*** (Reno, USA)  Sep-Dec 2012: honorary research fellow at ***University of Cumbria*** (Carlisle, UK)  Apr-May 2011: visiting researcher at ***Waterford Institute of Technology*** (Ireland)  Jan-Feb 2011: visiting researcher at ***Freie Universität Berlin*** (Germany)  May-June 2010: visiting professor at ***Freie Universität Berlin*** (Germany)  Feb-March 2010: visiting professor at ***Kazan Federal University*** (Russia) | | | | | | | |
| **PUBLICATIONS:** | | | | | | | |
| ***Journal articles***  Modic D and Rončević B (2018): Social Topography for Sustainable Innovation Policy: Putting Institutions, Social Networks and Cognitive Frames in Their Place. *Comparative Sociology, 1(1), 1-28.*  Boshkoska BM, Rončević B and Uršič ED (2018): Modeling and evaluation of the possibilities of forming a regional industrial symbiosis networks. *Social Sciences, 17, 1.*  Budd L, Sancino A, Pagani M, Kristmundsson Ó, Roncevic B and Steiner M (2017): ‘Sport as a complex adaptive system for place leadership: comparing five European cities with different administrative and socio-cultural traditions’. *Local Economy*, 32(4), 316-335.  Makarovič M, Šušteršič J, Rončević B. (2014) ‘Is Europe 2020 Set to Fail? The Cultural Political Economy of the EU Grand Strategies’. *European Planning Studies*, 22(3), 610-626.  Rončević B, Modic, D (2011) ‘Regional Systems of Innovations as Social Fields’. *Sociology and Space*, 49(191), 313-333.  Rončević B, Makarovič M. (2011): ‘Societal Steering in Theoretical Perspective: Social Becoming as an Analytical Solution’. *Polish Sociological Review*, ISSN 1231-1413, 2011, vol. 176, no. 4, str. 461-472.  Rončević B and Makarovič M (2010) ‘Towards the Strategies of Modern Societies: Systems and Social Processes’. *Innovation: The European Journal of Social Sciences,* 23(3), 223-239.  Rončević B, Šušteršič J, Wostner P, Besednjak Valič T (2010): ‘Quo Vadis Slovenia? Between Framework Conditions and Internal Capabilities’. *Managing Global Transitions*, 8 (4), 353-380,  Adam F, Bernik I, Rončević B (2005) ‘A Grand Theory and a Small Social Scientific Community: Niklas Luhmann in Slovenia’. *Studies in East European Thought*, 57(1), 61-80.  Adam F, Rončević B (2003) ‘Social Capital: Recent Debates and Research Trends. *Social Science Information*, 42(2), 155-183.  ***Books***  Rončević, B ed. (2019, forthcoming) *Sociology and Cultural Political Economy of Eastern European Transformations*. Berlin, New York: Springer.  Rončević B, Tomšič M eds. (2017): Information Society and its Manifestations: Economy, Politics, Culture. New York, Vienna: Peter Lang.  Makarovič M, Rončević B (2010): *Interethnic Relations in a Systemic Context: Minorities in Media and Education in Slovenia*, Münster: Lit Verlag.  Adam F, Makarovič, M, Rončević B, Tomšič M (2005): *The Challenges of Sustained Development: The Role of Socio-cultural Factors in East-Central Europe*. New York; Budapest: CEU Press.  ***Book chapters***  Roncevic B, Makarovic M, Tomsic M, Cepoi V (2017) ‘Methodological Solutions for Comparative Research on Transformations’. In: Vihalemm P, Masso A, Opermann S(eds.) *The Routledge International Handbook of European Social Transformation*. New York and Abingdon: Routledge, 57-70.  Rončević B, Fric U (2015) ‘Researching Industrial Symbiosis: Challenges and Dilemmas’. In: Povh, J (ed.). *Applied Modeling and Computing in Social Science*. Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang, 35-49.  Fairweather A, Rončević B, Rydbjerg M, Valentova M, Zajc M (2015) ‘Reconceptualization of social quality’. In: Lin K, Herrmann P (eds.). *Social Quality Theory: A New Perspective on Social Development*. New York; Oxford: Berghahn, 16-36.  Rončević B, Modic D (2012) ‘Social fields of technological innovations’. in Genov N (ed.) *Global Trends and Regional Development.* New York: Routledge, 226-247.  Rončević, B (2012) ‘Regional development agencies and changing social fields: Towards a sociology of regional systems of innovation’. in Bellini N, Danson M, Halkier H (eds.) *Regional Development Agencies: The Next Generation? Networking, Knowledge and Regional Policies.* London; New York: Routledge, 87-101.  Macur M, Makarovič M, Rončević B (2009) ‘Slovenia’. in Meyer G, Hayer T, Griffiths M (eds.) *Challenges, Prevention and Interventions: Problem Gambling in Europe*. New York: Springer, 265-280.  Makarovič M, Rončević B, Zorec K (2009) ‘Social costs of gambling in Slovenia: Multiple scenarios, multiple outcomes’. in: Eadington WR (ed.) *Integrated Resort Casinos: Implications for Economic Growth and Social Impacts*. Reno: Institute for the Study of Gambling and Commercial Gaming College of Business, University of Nevada, 127-151.  Rončević B (2007) ‘Formation of developmental coalitions: A comparative study of Denmark and Slovenia’. in Genov N (ed.) *Comparative Research in the Social Science*. Paris: ISSC, 277-289.  Makarovič M, Rončević B (2006): ‘Ethnicity and mass media in Slovenia’. in: Genov N (ed.) *Ethnicity and Mass Media in South Eastern Europe*, Münster: Lit Verlag; London: Global, 173-196.  Rončević B (2005) ‘Education of ethnic minorities in Slovenia: an element of or an obstacle to development?’ in Genov N (ed.) *Ethnicity and Educational Policies in South Eastern Europe*. Münster: Lit Verlag193-210.  Adam F, Rončević B (2004) Social capital as a useful scientific metaphor. in: Genov N (ed.) *Advances in Sociological Knowledge over Half a Century*. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften, 183-204. | | | | | | | |
| **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** | | | | | | | |
| *FP6 and FP7 projects*  2011-2016: Collaborative large-scale integrating project ***Addictions and Lifestyles in Contemporary Europe: Reframing Addictions Project****.* (ALICE-RAP), investigator.  2006-2008: Regions of Knowledge 2 project ***Creating a RTD Investment Policy for Regions in Emerging and Developed Economies*** (CRIPREDE), as a project partner leader.  2006-2008: Regions of Knowledge 2 project ***Advance of European Regions' R & D Governance Systems to reach the 3% objective.*** (ARRGOS 3%), as a project partner leader.  2004-2007: Specific targeted research project ***Eastern Enlargement - Western Enlargement: Cultural encounters in the European Economy and Society after the Accession*** (DIOSCURI), Investigator.  2004-2008: Network of Excellence project ***Efficient and Democratic Governance in a Multi-level Europe*** (CONNEX), research group manager (1st year) and investigator.  *Other international projects*  2018-20121: Interreg Danube Region project ***Fostering Innovation in the Danube Region through Knowledge Engineering and IPR Management*** (KnowING IPR)*, Lead Partner*  2017-2020: Erasmus+ Knowledge Alliance project***Enabling SMEs to gain competitive advantage from the use of HPC****.* (SME/HPC), leader of project partner.  2017-2019: Interreg Danube Region project***High Performance Computing for Effective Innovation in the Danube Region.*** (InnoHPC), Lead Partner.  2017-2019: Erasmus+ Capacity building in Higher project ***Boosting Innovation in Curricula Development of IT Programs in Palestine*.** (BIT-PAL), leader of consortium member.  2016-2019: Erasmus+ Strategic Partnerships project ***Designstem: Integrated Design + STEM Education*.** (Desighstem), leader of consortium member.  2015-2017: Erasmus+ Sport project ***Feel the Freedom of the Water***. Leader of consortium member  2016-2017: Bilateral co-operation project ***The Role of University Spin-off Founders (From Centrality to Periphery).*** *Slovenia – USA*, as a project coordinator.  2013-2014: Bilateral co-operation project ***Comparing Demographic Trends and Labour Market Fluctuations in Slovenia and Ukraine during the period 2000-2014.*** *Slovenia – Ukraine*, researcher.  2012-2014: Transnational Cooperation Programme Southeast Europe project ***Making Migrations Work for Development*** (MMWD), as a partner leader.  2013-2014: Bilateral co-operation project ***Comparing Demographic Trends and Labour Market Fluctuations in Slovenia and Ukraine during the period 2000-2014. Slovenia – Ukraine***, as investigator.  2010-2012: Bilateral co-operation project ***GambLIB – Gambling Research Database. Slovenia – USA***, as a project coordinator.  2010-2011: Bilateral Cooperation project***Strategic Coalitions and Regional Development, Slovenia – Russia***, as a project coordinator.  2003-2004: International project funded by Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Austrian National Bank ***The Socio-Economic Culture of Eastern Europe and the enlarged Union***(ACCESS), Investigator.  *Consultancies*  2010-2013: technological companies ***VARSI*** and ***Iskra Zascite***; on the topics of EU project management.  2007-2013: company ***HIT Casinos***; on the topics of social costs of gambling, media analysis and social acceptability of casino tourism.  2003-2013: local, regional and national-level government in Slovenia; on the topics of develop-mental strategies, human capital and EU policies.  2003: ***Council of Europe***; on the topics of labour market policies in South-East Europe  1999-2005: ***Friedrich Ebert Foundation***, Germany; on the topics of labour markets, unemployment, transformation, social security, human resource development, as well as ethnic minorities in media and education in Southeast Europe  *Other relevant experience*  Jan-Mar 2013: Head of international winter school ***Computer analysis of Qualitative Data***  Jan-Mar 2013: Head of international winter school ***Chaos theory***  Jul-Sept 2012: Head of international summer school ***Fuzzy-sets and comparative analysis***  Nov 2011-Nov 2012: Weekly columnist for national media portal *Planet Siol*  2008-2009: Member of national ***Higher Education Council of Republic of Slovenia*** (national accreditation body)  2008-2009: Member of the ***Evaluation Commission of Slovenian Media Fund***, Ministry of Culture  2008: Member of Strategic Council for **Developmental Research Projects**. | | | | | | | |