



MCC BUDAPEST SUMMIT

ON THE VALUES WE TEACH OUR CHILDREN

FEBRUARY 16—17, 2022

PROGRAM



The event is organized by Mathias Corvinus Collegium (MCC) which is a knowledge center offering extracurricular education opportunities and a platform for exchanging ideas in Hungary and across the Carpathian Basin. We assist our competitively selected students to reach their potential regardless of their socio-economic background and encourage them to take responsible actions for the benefit of their local and wider community alike. Over the past 26 years, MCC has become a trusted international partner for distinguished scholars, universities, and its name is synonymous with talent management in Central Europe.

February 14

12:00-13:30

MCC LUNCH TALK ON THE IMPORTANCE OF HUMANITIES

18:00-19:30

MCC BUDAPEST LECTURES: PSYCHOLOGY VS. LITERATURE

February 15

18:00-19:30

BOOK DISCUSSION "THEM BEFORE US"

February 16

09:30-11:00

WHAT MAKES THINKING CRITICAL?

11:30-13:00

WHAT WE TEACH ABOUT RACE AND GENDER

14:00-15:30

THE ROLE OF EDUCATION IN SHAPING NATIONAL IDENTITY

16:00-17:30

TEACHING RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

February 17

09:00-10:30

WHERE DOES REAL LEARNING HAPPEN?

10:30-12:00

BOOK DISCUSSION "THE DIVERSITY DELUSION"

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BOOK DISCUSSION "WOMEN VS. FEMINISM"

13:00-14:30

SHOULD EDUCATION ABOUT SEXUALITY AND GENDER BELONG IN THE CLASSROOM?

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CRISIS AND GROWING DIVERSITY IN FRENCH SOCIETY

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BOOK DISCUSSION "UNDOCTRINATE"

16:15-17:45

WHAT ARE THE VALUES THAT "SEX AND THE CITY" CONVEYS?

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BOOK DISCUSSION "THE DEBASEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS"

18:00-19:30

MCC BUDAPEST LECTURES - FIRESIDE CHAT



FEBRUARY 16

8:30 – 9:00

Registration

9:00 – 9:30

Opening Remarks

Zoltán Szalai, director general of MCC

Balázs Orbán, chairman of the Board of Trustees of MCC

9:30 – 11:00

WHAT MAKES THINKING CRITICAL?

Peter Boghossian, philosopher, educator, author, senior visiting fellow at MCC

Frank Füredi, sociologist, professor emeritus at the University of Kent

András Lánczi, professor, member of the Board of Trustees of MCC

Anthony Malcolm Daniels, author, journalist, cultural critic, psychiatrist

Alka Sehgal Cuthbert, member of the Academy of Ideas Education Forum

Moderator: **Boris Kalnoky**, head of Media School at MCC

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00

WHAT WE TEACH ABOUT RACE AND GENDER

Rod Dreher, senior editor at American Conservative, senior visiting fellow at MCC and Danube Institute

Katy Faust, author, founder of the children's rights organization Them Before Us

Joshua Katz, linguist, classicist, professor at Princeton University

Heather Mac Donald, NYT bestselling author, fellow at the Manhattan Institute

Gergely Szilvay, senior journalist at Mandiner

Joanna Williams, director of Cieo

Moderator: **Rodrigo Ballester**, head of the Center for European Studies at MCC

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch



14:00 – 15:30

TEACHING RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Anne Coffinier, founder of the Fondation Kairos pour l'innovation éducative, diplomat, activist

Paul Coleman, executive director of Alliance Defending Freedom International

Aaron Rhodes, president of Forum for Religious Freedom-Europe, Senior Fellow in the Common Sense Society

Bonnie Snyder, director of high school outreach at the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education

Judit Varga, Minister of Justice of Hungary

Moderator: **Lénárd Sándor**, head of the Center for International Law at MCC

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee break

16:00 – 17:30

THE ROLE OF EDUCATION IN SHAPING NATIONAL IDENTITY

Ofir Haivry, vice president of Herzl Institute

Josh Hammer, op-ed editor of Newsweek, fellow at the Edmund Burke Foundation

Hélène de Lauzun, historian, PhD at Sorbonne, Paris

Klaus Wolf, professor at University of Augsburg

István Stumpf, Government Commissioner of Hungary

Moderator: **Sándor Gallai**, head of the School of Social Sciences and History at MCC.



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10:30–12:00

BOOK DISCUSSION „THE DIVERSITY DELUSION”

Rodrigo Ballester, head of the Center for European Studies at MCC

Peter Kurti, director of Culture, Prosperity & Civil Society program at the Center of Independent Studies

Heather Mac Donald, NYT bestselling author, fellow at the Manhattan Institute

Calum Nicholson, senior visiting fellow at MCC and Danube Institute

Moderator: **John O’Sullivan**, president of the Danube Institute

14:30–16:00

CRISIS AND GROWING DIVERSITY IN FRENCH SOCIETY

Anne Coffinier, founder of the Fondation Kairos pour l’innovation éducative, diplomat, activist

Axelle Girard, executive director at Créer son école-Educ’France

Moderator: **Thibaud Gibelin**, visiting fellow at MCC

16:15–17:45

WHAT ARE THE VALUES THAT „SEX AND THE CITY” CONVEYS?

Livia Liptai, Editor-in-chief of the Fashion Magazine Elle

Gábor Nagy, associate professor, University of Szeged

Vajk Miklos Lukacs, research professor at Universidad de San Martín de Porres, senior visiting fellow at MCC

Moderator: **Mariann Öry**, head of foreign desk, senior editor at Magyar Hírlap

18:00–19:30

MCC BUDAPEST LECTURES – FIRESIDE CHAT

Peter Boghossian, philosopher, educator, author, senior visiting fellow at MCC

Rod Dreher, senior editor at American Conservative, senior visiting fellow at MCC and Danube Institute

Balázs Orbán, chairman of the Board of Trustees of MCC

09:00–10:30

WHERE DOES REAL LEARNING HAPPEN?

Alka Sehgal Cuthbert, member of the Academy of Ideas Education Forum

Gergely Böszörményi-Nagy, president of the MOME Foundation

Calum Nicholson, senior visiting fellow at MCC and Danube Institute

Imre Porkoláb, director of the Leadership Academy at MCC

Moderator: **János Setényi**, head of the Learning Institute at MCC

10:30–12:00

BOOK DISCUSSION „WOMEN VS. FEMINISM”

Zsuzsa Csisztu, vice-president of the Executive Committee of the Hungarian Sports Journalists’ Association, Executive Member of the AIPS

Katy Faust, author, founder of the children’s rights organization Them Before Us

Sophia Kuby, director of Strategic Relations & Training for ADF International

Joanna Williams, director of Cieo

Moderator: **Noémi Pálfalvi**, senior international relations coordinator at MCC

13:00–14:30

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Alka Sehgal Cuthbert, member of the Academy of Ideas Education Forum

Anthony Malcolm Daniels, author, journalist, cultural critic, psychiatrist

Gladden Pappin, assistant professor at University of Dallas, senior visiting fellow at MCC

Bonnie Snyder, director of high school outreach at the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education

Moderator: **Melinda Hal**, head of the Center of Body and Soul at MCC

14:30–16:00

BOOK DISCUSSION „UNDOCTRINATE”

Gladden Pappin, assistant professor at University of Dallas, senior visiting fellow at MCC

Werner Patzelt, senior visiting fellow at MCC

János Setényi, head of the Learning Institute at MCC

Bonnie Snyder, director of high school outreach at the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education

Moderator: **Stephen Sholl**, visiting fellow at MCC

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Rodrigo Ballester, head of the Center for European Studies at MCC

Sophia Kuby, director of Strategic Relations & Training for ADF International

Aaron Rhodes, president of Forum for Religious Freedom-Europe, Senior Fellow in the Common Sense Society

Moderator: **Márton Sulyok**, head of the Center for Public Law at MCC

LUNCH TALKS



On the Importance of Humanities



JOSHUA KATZ
linguist, classicist, professor at Princeton University



PATRICK GRAY
senior visiting fellow at MCC



TIBOR FISCHER
head of the Center for Literary Studies at MCC

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PSYCHOLOGY VS LITERATURE

Does Psychology
Undermine Morality?



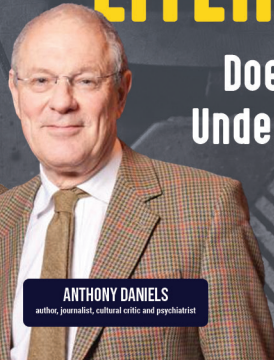
CSABA ÉGER
research fellow
at the Center for Community Studies at MCC



PATRICK GRAY
senior visiting fellow at MCC



CALUM T. NICHOLSON
visiting fellow at MCC and Danube Institute



ANTHONY DANIELS
author, journalist, cultural critic and psychiatrist

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Mental gym

MCC Flow Research Centre is dedicated to carry on the legacy of Csíkszentmihályi Mihály and research the intersection of leadership and flow. Flow is a mental state where we feel our best and perform our best. Therefore, it is important that researchers, biohackers, and geeks work together to explore new and novel ways to push the boundaries of human optimum performance. Our goal is to bring radically new training methods to our MCC students.

At the Academy for Leading Change, we have created a groundbreaking educational program to train future leaders, and at the mental gym they have an opportunity to train and improve their mental armor every day. During the Budapest Summit you can visit our showroom to try out our very own Public Speaking VR application, have your neurophysiology tested, and test out with some of the equipment that is available to our students at the mental gym.

FIRSTBEAT

DAVID DELIGHT PRO

MUSE 2

FLOWTIME

PUBLIC SPEAKING
VR APPLICATION

QUICK RECOVERY
TEST



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BOOK DISCUSSION

Katy Faust THEM BEFORE US



Katy Faust

author, founder of the children's rights organization Them Before Us



Boris Kálnoky

head of the Media School at MCC

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Gerbeaud Confectionery (1051 Budapest, Vörösmarty square 7–8.)

MCC believes in the power of books. Our publishing activities aim to involve the Hungarian public in debates that are little known in Hungary, to introduce outstanding authors and their works to the readers and to provide academic publishing

opportunities for MCC instructors, lecturers and for all those involved in our talent development activities. Continuing MCC's publishing tradition of nearly two decades, in the past year, MCC Press published more than 20 books penned by both Hungarian authors and internationally renowned writers from abroad.

The issues discussed in our published books include migration, environment protection, the preservation of conservative values, the future of Christianity as well as the challenges affecting the younger generations and the education of our children. This year, we aim at publishing nearly 70 volumes. All our publications can be found and ordered on our website mccpress.hu.



FIRESIDE CHAT



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