

Democracy and Social Capital

A Czech- American Dialog

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The concept of social capital has been widely used in analyses of democracy in the United States, and of processes and prospects of democratization in the “New Europe.” But what, precisely, is social capital? How important is social capital for democratic existence? How best to measure social capital? It is the goal of this symposium to address such questions in a comparative context.

The symposium will feature panel and roundtable discussions, as well as keynote lectures by:

Eric Uslaner

(Professor of Government and Politics,
The University of Maryland)

Trust and Corruption in Transition

Petr Matějů

(Professor and Director of the Department for Education
and Social Stratification, Institute of Sociology, Academy
of Sciences of the Czech Republic)

The Role of Social Capital During the Post-communist Transformation

The languages of the symposium are Czech and English, with simultaneous translation provided.

Attendance at the symposium is **free** and **open to the public**, but advance registration is required.

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