

TÁRKI SOCIAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

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Dear Reader,

It is my pleasure to introduce you to Tárki Social Research Institute, your potential partner and contact in Budapest. We are specialized in applied social research, with a strong commitment to exploring new insights, explaining unexpected findings and providing balanced interpretation of socioeconomic trends – in Hungary, Central and Eastern Europe and in Europe as well. Via teaming up with highly reputed major European Universities and research organizations, we have completed some major studies on European social structures, economic trends and popular attitudes. Should you search for a reliable European partner, please read this brochure, but keep in mind this is a teaser only. For more, please visit our [website](#), read our [newsletters](#) or contact us directly (see in the back of this leaflet). Tárki staff is a small,

open community, and we are excited to get to know new partners wishing to carry out research projects with us.



István György Tóth

director

Tárki Social Research Institute



TÁRKI SOCIAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE...



...is an employee-owned, independent, Budapest-based research institution with a history of over thirty years. Its researchers focus on social stratification, labour markets, income distribution, consumption, lifestyle patterns and attitudes in Hungary and, in the majority of its projects, in Europe. Tárki has its own fieldwork apparatus, capable of carrying out regular Hungarian surveys on social structure and on attitudes and of managing large scale international research like, most recently, on the Impact of Privatization on the Mortality Crisis in Eastern Europe (PrivMort) and on various attitudes in the Visegrad countries (CEORG).

The majority of staff and of the broad intellectual network of Tárki teaches at major Hungarian (and occasionally, various European) universities. Tárki regularly appears on global rankings of top social policy think tanks, as in the 2017 Global Go to Think Tank Index Report.

Besides the Social Research Institute, the Tárki group consists of Kopint-Tárki Institute for Economic Research and Tárki Foundation, which supports social research education and operates a national digital social research archive.



OUR SERVICES



- applied social research analysis
- consultancy and strategy papers
- developing software, producing microsimulation databases
- social surveys

- political and general opinion polls
- research and monitoring reports
- business-cycle research reports
- providing access to data collections



OUR TEAM



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PUBLICATIONS



Hungarian Social Report

Since 1990, Tárki's biannual Social Report aims to give a balanced overview on the Hungarian social trends and processes of the previous two years. The newest publication will come out in the end of 2018 both in Hungarian and in English. [Click here to read more.](#)

Household Monitor

Since 1998, the purpose of the biannual Household Monitor is to provide a reliable assessment of the changes in the stratification of society and in social inequality. The survey is focused primarily on issues concerning the labor market and income, consumer attitudes, savings, economic expectations, economic behavior, and social relations. [Click here to read more \(in Hungarian\).](#)

A Magyar polgár (The citizen of Hungary)

Dedicated to the founder and president of Tárki, Tamás Kolosi, this book collects essays on Hungary's middle class, the citizens who are supposed to be the pillars of democracy. The book aims to find out whether the citizens of Hungary are strong enough, whether they exist at all and if so, what their characteristics are. [Click here to read more \(in Hungarian\).](#)

Changing roles

This collection of studies presents and tracks changes in the social position of women and men in Hungary. The Changing Roles studies were issued from 1997 to 2011. [Click here to read more.](#)



LATEST APPEARANCES IN INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

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MIGUEL, R., RIO, C., MEDGYESI, M. (EDS): *Reducing Inequalities. A Challenge for the European Union?* Palgrave Macmillan, Cham, 2018. [Available online here.](#)

CANTILLON, B., GÁBOS, A., GOEDEMÉ, T. AND TÓTH, I. GY. (2018): Social Exclusion: empirical findings Chapter 8. In C. D'Ambrosio (ed.). *Handbook of research on economic and social well-being.* Edward Elgar, pp. 206-230.

SIK, E., BARLAI, M.: *A Hungarian trademark (a "Hungarikum"): the moral panic button.* In: Barlai, M., Griessler, C., Fährnich, B., Rhomberg, M. (eds): *The Migrant Crisis: European Perspectives and National Discourses*, Lit Verlag, Zürich, pp.147-169, 2017. [Available online here.](#)

GÁBOS, A., TÓTH, I. GY.: Recession, recovery, and regime change: effects on child poverty in Hungary In: Chzhen, Y., Handa, S., Nolan, B., Cantillon, B. (eds.): *Children of Austerity: Impact of the Great Recession on Child Poverty in Rich Countries*, Oxford University Press, pp. 118-145, 2017. [Available online here.](#)



RECENT EUROPEAN RESEARCH PROJECTS



InGRID – Inclusive Growth Infrastructure Diffusion, FP7-INFRA-STRUCTURES-2012-1, Project nr: 312691. Led by KU Leuven, the project brought together 17 academic partners (2013-2017). Goal: to provide the European scientific community with new and better opportunities to fulfil its key role in the development of evidence-based European policies on Inclusive Growth. Táarki led the poverty research pillar within InGRID. Within the framework of the first stage, Táarki has developed IPOLIS - an Integrated Poverty and Living Conditions Indicator System. The indicator database relies on the concept of quality of life and includes children, young people and the elderly. *More: www.inclusivegrowth.eu/*

InGRID2 – A second stage of the project, launched in May 2017. Within this phase, the database will be expanded and will also include vulnerable groups as migrants and Roma. The successful visiting program also continues. *More: www.inclusivegrowth.eu/*

PRIVMORT – Privatisation and Mortality Crisis in Post-Communism: A Multi-Level indirect demographic Analysis, “Ideas” Specific Programme, Project nr.: 269036 (2012-2017). Led by Cambridge University, the international consortium investigated patterns and reasons of mortality change in three countries (Belorussia, Hungary and Russia). Táarki coordinated large scale empirical surveys in these three countries. *More: www.privmort.sociology.cam.ac.uk/*

IMPROVE – Poverty Reduction in Europe: Social Policy and Innovation, FP7-SSH-2011-2, Project nr. 290613. (2012-2016) The research developed new tools for monitoring poverty, social policy and social innovative practices. For the first time reference budgets were computed for several member states using a single theoretical framework and a consistent methodology. Táarki led work packages on measurement and indicators of poverty and on the situation of the Roma. *More: www.improve-research.eu/*



RECENT EUROPEAN RESEARCH PROJECTS



STYLE – Strategic Transitions for Youth Labour in Europe, Project nr: 613256. (2014-2017) 24 consortium partners, including an international advisory network and local advisory boards of employers, unions, policy makers and NGOs from over 20 European countries worked on this project. The project was led by the University of Brighton, ran for 42 months, examined the obstacles and opportunities affecting youth employment in Europe. Táarki, as a main partner of the consortium, led (jointly with the University of Turin) WP8 FAMILY (Family and Cultural Drivers of Youth Unemployment and Adulthood Transitions).

More: www.style-research.eu/

GINI – Growing Inequalities’ Impacts, SSH-CT-2010-244592. (2010-2013). The project was a major European-wide study on the impact of growing inequalities, coordinated by University of Amsterdam. Results are summarized in two volumes on “Changing Inequalities and Societal Impacts in Rich Countries” by Oxford University Press. *More: www.gini-research.org/articles/home*

Social Situation Observatory – Income Distribution and Living Conditions (2004-2016) A consortium led by Applica, Brussels, together with Táarki, Essex University and Eurocentre, Vienna produced annual monitoring reports on trends of income distribution and social inclusion in Europe.

CONCORDIA discors – Understanding Conflict and Integrations Outcomes of Inter-Group Relations and integration Policies in selected Neighbourhoods of Five European Cities, HOME/2009/EIFX/CA/1827.

EUBORDERREGIONS – European Regions, EU External Borders and the Immediate Neighbours. Analysing Regional Development Options Through Policies and Practices of Cross-Border Co-operation, FP7-SSH-2012-2, (2011 -2015) Project nr. 266920.



INTERNATIONAL NETWORKING

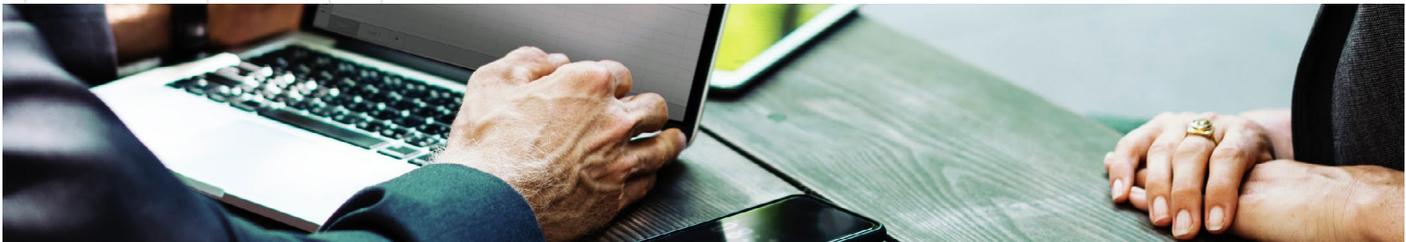
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TÁRKI contributes to large scale international surveys and is member of several international organizations:

- Central European Opinion Research Group (*CEORG*)
 - European Consortium for Political Research (*ECPR*)
 - European Social Survey (*ESS*)
 - International Social Survey Programme (*ISSP*)
 - Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (*SHARE*)
 - Luxembourg Income Study (*LIS*)
 - European Network of Economic Policy Research Institutes (*ENEPRI*)
 - World Values Survey (*WVS*)
- ...and many other occasional collaborations.

Our Network of External Advisors includes:

- Dr. Michael Förster (*OECD*)
- Prof. Ive Marx (*University of Antwerp*)
- Dr. Heinz-Herbert Noll (*Former director of the Social Indicators Research Centre of GESIS*),
- Prof. Wiemer Salverda (*Emeritus Professor at University of Amsterdam*),
- Prof. Holly Sutherland (*ISER, Essex University*)



TÁRKI ON THE GLOBAL GO TO THINK TANK REPORT



The Think Tanks and Civil Societies Program (TTCSP) of the University of Pennsylvania conducts research annually on think tanks all over the world. The Global Go To Think Tank Index Report summarizes the results by categorizing and listing world leading think tanks.

After receiving high rankings in the previous years, Táarki was listed again among the world's top think tanks in the 2017 report.

Tárki Social Research Institute ranks the highest in Hungary in the category of:

- Social Policy Think Tanks (4th in Central and Eastern Europe and 49th in the world)
- For Profit Think Tanks (among the top 50 in the world, with no others from Central and Eastern Europe)
- Independent Think Tanks (61st in the world, second among those listed from Central and Eastern Europe)

Thanks to **Kopint-Tárki Institute for Economic Research Co.**, we also appear on listing for economic research as:

- the only Hungarian think tank in Domestic Economic Policy rankings (74th in the world)
- the 78th in the world in the rankings of International Economics Think Tanks
- and 130th in the International Development Think Tanks rank.

All in all, we are ranked to be the 38th Top Think Tanks in Central and Eastern Europe. We are proud to be independent and being reputed as producers of high quality reports.





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