

## NEWSLETTER

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### Podcast Café Evropa: Where does mere tolerance end and respect begins? | Looking for new colleagues | Screening of the Im Stranger in Paradise

Welcome to the August newsletter!

The summer holidays are coming to an end, but our researchers commented to the media despite the scorching heat, especially on the **issue of Hungary's relations with the European Union** in the context of Hungary's EU Presidency and its relationship with Russia. Other topics included the strategy of European cities in the **fight against extreme heat** and the **upcoming presidential elections in the United States**.

With Prague Pride underway we also released the next episode of the **Café Evropa podcast!** We talked about the importance of family with Hussite priest **Martina Viktorie Kopecká**. What does she believe family teaches us? And where does mere tolerance end and respect for the lives of others begin? You can find the link for the new episode further in the newsletter.

In addition to the podcast and Café Evropa debate series, this week we hosted a screening of the Dutch film **Stranger in Paradise** in cooperation with **the Institute of International Relations, the Association for International Affairs, and the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands**. The screening was followed by a debate on migration to Europe.

**We continue to look for new colleagues!** Namely for a **Senior Researcher** for one of our programmes. Details are further in the newsletter.

With wishes for a wonderful rest of the summer,

The EUROPEUM Institute Team

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**Café Evropa podcast**



## On the importance of family with Hussite priestess Martina Viktorie Kopecká



With host **Jolana Humpálová**, Martina Viktorie Kopecká discussed **perceptions of the traditional family**, Prague Pride, and her book **Confession of a Priestess** (Zpověď farářky), which was published almost a year ago. She described the book as a "therapeutic process with sleepless nights." How does she now look back on her coming out? You can find the full episode on Spotify and YouTube!

CAFÉ EVROPA ON SPOTIFY

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## Looking for new colleagues!

### Senior Researcher / Leader of a Research Programme

We are currently looking for a **Senior Researcher/Leader of a Research Programme for one of our work streams** with a research focus on topics such as **EU's climate policy and decarbonization of industry, role of the EU as a global player, social dimension of EU regulatory framework, cohesion policy and/or MFF**. We offer a job in a leading Czech think tank with flexible working hours and competitive salary.



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## Film screening and Café Evropa debate



## Summer Screening of The Foreigner in Paradise

On Wednesday 21 August, together with the Institute of International Relations, the Association for International Affairs and the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, we prepared a screening of the Dutch film "**Stranger in Paradise**" (2016), which is one of the films selected for this year's **One World Festival**. The screening was followed by a debate with experts – **Vít Havelka**, senior research fellow at EUROPEUM Institute, **Jan Kovář** from the Institute of International Relations and **Kateřina Velíšková**, analyst at the Association for International Affairs.

## Café Evropa Debate – Prague Pride



Does today's society lack tolerance? That was the focus of the Café Evropa debate held as part of Prague Pride. The guests included **Tomáš Koblížek**, a philosopher of language specializing in hate speech; **Lenka Králová**, host of the podcast In Trans (v Tranzu); and **Irena Moozová**, Deputy Director-General of DG JUST at the European Commission. The debate was moderated by **David Vaníček**, creator of the Two dads (Dva tátové) project.

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## In the media

- ČT24 | The government confirmed the nomination of Jozef Síkela to the European Commission ([Žiga Faktor](#))
- Seznam Zprávy | Jozef Síkela is set for the European Commission, aiming for a strong economic portfolio ([Martin Vokálek](#))
- TV Nova | Final stage of EU Commissioners selection. Fiala meets with von der Leyen in Brussels ([Martin Vokálek](#))
- Balkan Insight | City Heat: What Central European Capitals Are Doing To Keep Cool ([Katarína Svitková](#))
- El País | Hungary's new conflicts with Brussels as Budapest takes over the rotating presidency of the EU Council ([Žiga Faktor](#))
- ČT24 | Most countries have presented their candidates for European Commissioner, none have put forward two names ([Martin Vokálek](#))
- Politico Pro | The Emperor's New Portfolio ([Filip Křenek](#))
- Deník N | Orbán Opens Doors to Russian Spies and Saboteurs in Czech Territory ([Viktor Daněk](#))
- Respekt | Brussels Boycotts Hungarian Presidency but Will Ultimately Tolerate It ([Viktor Daněk](#))
- e15 | European exporters fear a return of Donald Trump. Brussels already has a plan to deal with it ([Kateřina Davidová](#))
- Czech Radio | Czech study reveals persistent poverty across generations ([Klára Votavová](#))
- Euractiv.cz | EU strengthened resilience, now security will be a priority ([Žiga Faktor](#))
- Deník N | Czech Republic wants an influential post for Síkela. What are his chances? ([Viktor Daněk](#))
- TN.cz | Rift between Hungary and Poland. Reason being Orbán's relationship with Putin ([Vít Havelka](#))
- Czech Radio | Only seventeen percent of Czechs satisfied with Czech politics ([Klára Votavová](#))
- CNN Prima News | New EU tariff policy targets ultra-cheap Chinese e-shops ([Rebeka Hengalová](#))



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