

## CIVITAS Brings International Civic Educators to APSA

Entering the fifth year of partnership in CIVITAS, an international collaboration for civic education, APSA hosted a number of briefing sessions for visiting educators from Eastern and Central Europe and Russia this year. Through this collaboration with CIVITAS, APSA is connecting political science scholars, scholarship, and teaching to education and democracy programs in countries around the world. CIVITAS participation offers APSA the opportunity to introduce precollege civic educators to our profession.

Between August 1999 and September 2000, APSA welcomed delegations from Poland, Russia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Bosnia. APSA staff presented information about the Association and civic education in the U.S. During the session, staff conducted a web demonstration and encouraged the delegations to keep in contact with APSA and political science scholars through electronic means. APSA provided publications and journals and complimentary APSA memberships to each delegation. Political scientists are encouraged to make direct contact with these educators.

### Polish Delegation (March 20, 2000)

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#### Participants

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Tomasz Merta, University Instructor, Department of Applied Social Sciences, Warsaw University  
Malgorzata Osinska, teacher of history and teacher trainer

Danuta Sterna-Kaszubska, science teacher and teacher trainer  
Sharon Subreenduth, project coordinator, Civic Education Program, Mershon Center, Ohio State University

### Russian Delegation (March 29, 2000)

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#### Participants

Yuri Guk, teacher trainer and street law teacher  
Olga Kravchenko, school principal  
Nikolai Obdirshikov, school principal and history and civics teacher  
Nikolai Osipov, district social studies specialist  
Yuri Shipakin, professor, Teacher Training Institute, and social studies specialist, Oblast Ministry  
Tatyana Vereshagina, deputy principal and history, law, and civics teacher  
Evgeny Belyakov, director, Moscow Office, Civitas/AFT (Escort)  
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### Latvian and Lithuanian Delegation (May 4, 2000)

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### Bosnian Delegation (November 1, 1999)

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Mr. Ismet Salihbegovic, deputy minister for education, Sarajevo Canton  
Mr. Esad Toromanovic, sociology professor, and CIVITAS cantonal coordinator for Una Sana Canton  
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Mr. Halil Spago, counselor for education, Mostar Canton Ministry of Education  
Mr. Anton Milos, elementary school principal, and CIVITAS municipal coordinator for Kiseljak  
Ms. Sanja Kantar, philosophy professor  
Mr. Dejan Kronic, counselor for physics and astronomy, Pedagogical Institute of the Republika Srpska and CIVITAS regional coordinator  
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