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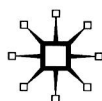
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List of Abbreviations

ADB	Asian Development Bank
ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
ATM	Automated Teller Machine (bankomat)
AVAS	Autoritatea pentru Valorificarea Activelor Statului (Romania: Authority for State Assets Recovery – the privatization agency)
BOFIT	Bank of Finland Institute for Economies in Transition
BRIE	Bulgarian Romanian Interuniversity Europe
CE	Central Europe
CEE	Central and Eastern Europe
CEEC	Central and Eastern European Countries
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
CMEA	Council of Mutual Economic Assistance
COMECON	Council for Mutual Economic Assistance
CR	Concentration Ratio
CZ	Czech Republic
D	Germany
DDT	Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane (insecticide)
DGPA	Directorate-General for Protection and Anti-Corruption
DKMT	Danube–Körös–Mureş–Tisza
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
EC	European Community
ECB	European Central Bank
ECU	European Currency Unit
EU	European Union
EU-15	Refers to the 15 countries in the European Union before the expansion on 1 May 2004, when eight Central and Eastern European countries as well as Cyprus and Malta joined the organization. They are Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland (Republic of), Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom
EU-27	Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom
ECE	East Central Europe

EMU	Economic and Monetary Union
ERM-2	Exchange Rate Mechanism
EU	European Union
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FSB	Federalnaya Sluzhba Bezopasnosti (Russia: Federal Security Service; FSK successor since 1995)
G7	Group of Seven
G8	Group of Eight
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GNI	Gross National Income
GUS	Główny Urząd Statystyczny (Polish: Central Statistical Office)
IFC	International Finance Corporation
GPW	Warsaw Stock Exchange (Giełda Papierów Wartościowych)
GSNKh	Guberniia Sovnarkoz (Russia: Provincial Economic Council)
HH index	Herfindahl-Hirschman index
HRK	Rectors' Conference (Germany)
ICCEES	International Congress of Central and East European Studies
IFI	International Financial Institutions
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IOSCO	International Organization of Securities Commissions
IPO	Initial Public Offering
IRFS	International Financial Reporting Standards
JETRO	Japan External Trade Organization
KGB	Komitet Gosudarstvennoy Bezopasnosti (Committee for State Security, former USSR)
LT	Lithuania
Mostorg	Moscow Trade Agency
MS	Member State(s)
MSNKh	Moscow Sovnarkhoz (a local branch of VSNKh)
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NBP	Narodowy Bank Polski (National Bank of Poland)
NEP	New Economic Policy
NMS	New Member States
NNI	New Neighbourhood Instrument
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
PL	Poland
RECEP	Russian European Centre for Economic Policy
R&D	Research and Development
RGAE	Russian State Archive of the Economy
RSFSR	Russian Soviet Federated Socialist Republic
SK	Slovakia
SME	Small and Medium-sized Enterprise
TACIS	Technical Assistance for the Commonwealth of Independent States (EU)

USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
VPK	Komissiia Soveta Ministrov SSSR po voenno-promyshlennym voprosam, or Voennno-promyshlennaia komissiia (Russia: Military Industrial Commission)
VSNKh	Supreme Council of the National Economy (Russia)
WERI	World Economy Research Institute (Poland)
WTO	World Trade Organization

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This volume is the second of two I have edited in this series dealing with the changing economic spaces and practices of post-socialist Europe. *State and Society in Postsocialist Economies* appeared earlier this year and addressed the changing roles played by state and societal actors in shaping contemporary post-socialist economic landscapes. *Globalization and Regionalization in Socialist and Post-Socialist Economies: Common Economic Spaces of Europe* focuses on the interweaving of general processes of economic internationalization, harmonization and integration with the complexities produced by the parallel and linked processes of regionalization, localization and adaptation. In various ways, the chapters in this volume question assumptions about contemporary European integration and broader processes of globalization, and they do so from the perspective of both earlier experiences of economic internationalization and from a diverse range of contemporary perspectives on the building of common European economic spaces. The authors come from nine countries. Together their topics and approaches reflect the growing diversity of perspectives on the practices of socialist and postsocialist economies.

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Preface by General Editor

When the International Council for Central and East European Studies (ICCEES) was founded at the first international and multidisciplinary conference of scholars working in this field, held in Banff, Alberta, Canada, on 4–7 September 1974, it was given the name International Committee for Soviet and East European Studies (ICSEES). Its major purpose was to provide for greater exchange between research centres and scholars around the world who were devoted to the study of the USSR and the communist states and societies of Eastern Europe. These developments were the main motivation for bringing together the very different national organisations in the field and for forming a permanent committee of their representatives, which would serve as an umbrella organization, as well as a promoter of closer co-operation. Four national scholarly associations launched ICSEES at the Banff conference: the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), the National Association for Soviet and East European Studies in Great Britain (NASEES), the British Universities Association of Slavists (BUAS), and the Canadian Association of Slavists (CAS).

Over the past three decades six additional Congresses have been held: in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, 1980; Washington, USA, 1985; Harrogate, UK, 1990; Warsaw, Poland, 1995; Tampere, Finland, 2000; and Berlin, Germany, 2005. The next Congress is scheduled for 2010 in Stockholm, Sweden. The original four national associations that sponsored the first congress have been joined by an additional seventeen full and six associate member associations, with significantly more than a thousand scholars participating at each of the recent congresses.

It is now a little over three decades since scholars felt the need to coordinate the efforts in the 'free world' to describe and analyse the Communist political systems, their societies and economies, and East-West relations in particular. Halfway through this period, the Communist system collapsed, the region that was the object of study was reorganized, and many of the new states that emerged set out on a path of democratic development, economic growth, and, in many cases, inclusion in Western institutions. The process turned out to be complex, and there were setbacks. Yet, by 2004, the European Union as well as the North Atlantic Treaty Organization had welcomed those post-Communist states that had met all of the requirements for membership. Not all of the applicant states achieved this objective; but the process is ongoing. For this reason, perhaps even more than before, the region that encompassed the former Communist world demands study, explanation, and analysis, as

both centripetal and centrifugal forces are at work in each state and across the region. We are most fortunate that the community of scholars addressing these issues now includes many astute analysts from the region itself.

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