The Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (IERES) is pleased to invite you to:

**Layers of Discrimination against Roma in Europe**

*with*

**Stanislav Daniel**
Research and Advocacy Officer, The European Roma Rights Centre, Hungary

**Michelle Kelso**
Assistant Professor of Human Services and Sociology, GWU

will serve as discussant

Stanislav Daniel will present stories illustrating the multiple forms of discrimination against Roma in today’s Europe. The talk will focus on the tendency of European governments to tackle social exclusion from the perspective of poverty, without taking into account how ethnicity factors into the poor living conditions of Europe’s least tolerated minority.

**Stanislav Daniel** is a Research Officer at the European Roma Rights Centre (ERRC) in Budapest, Hungary, focusing on the Czech Republic, Russia and Slovakia. Previously he worked on a study for the European Commission on the impact of policies, programs and projects aimed at Roma inclusion in 18 countries of the European Union. Before joining the ERRC as a staff member, he worked for the ERRC as a consultant and was extensively involved in an ERRC/Roma Education Fund assessment of government law and policy on the educational integration of Romani children in the Czech Republic, ERRC research on the implementation of government policies concerning Roma in Italy, and an ERRC/UNICEF study of children’s rights in Moldova. He has also participated in research projects on behalf of Slovak and international NGOs and foundations, mainly focusing on the impact of government policy and programming on the living conditions of Roma, with special attention to education, housing and health care. He was one of the authors of the Slovakia section of the 2008 Open Society Institute assessment "Equal Access to Quality Education for Roma Children."

**Michelle Kelso** holds a PhD in Sociology from the University of Michigan and previously worked at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. Her research interests include the Roma in Romania and their experience during the Holocaust.

**Thursday, April 7, 2011**
4:00-5:30 p.m.
1957 E Street, NW, Suite 412
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