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cordially invite you to a lecture by

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**Demographic Drivers in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict**

Demographic trends provide an essential background to understanding the Middle East conflict. We will discuss the crucial facts about the vital balance of births and deaths, international migration, the relationship of national and territorial centers and the respective Diasporas, current population prospects, and the political-territorial scenarios needed to maintain a viable Jewish and democratic state of Israel.

**Tuesday, February 21 at 6 p.m.**
CEU Auditorium
Budapest, 1051 Nádor utca 9.

Sergio DellaPergola is widely acknowledged as the leading authority in demography and statistics related to the Jewish population all over the world. DellaPergola has lived in Israel since 1966. He holds a Ph.D. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and is a professor Emeritus of Population Studies at the Hebrew University’s Avraham Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry, where he has directed the Division of Jewish Demography and Statistics and holds the Shlomo Argov Chair in Israel-Diaspora Relations. Della Pergola is a specialist on the demography of world Jewry and has published numerous books (the latest: *Jewish Demographic Policies: Population Trends and Options in Israel and in the Diaspora*, Jerusalem, 2011) and over one hundred papers on historical demography, the family, international migration, Jewish identification, and population projections in the Diaspora and in Israel. He has lectured at over 50 universities and research centers worldwide and served as senior policy consultant to the President of Israel, the Israeli government, the Jerusalem municipality, and many major national and international organizations. He served on the National Technical Advisory Committee for the 1990 and 2000-01 National Jewish Population Surveys. He was Visiting Professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) in 2009 and at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) in 2010. In 1999, Della Pergola won the Marshall Sklare Award for distinguished achievement from the Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry (ASSJ) and his award presentation was entitled: "Thoughts of a Jewish Demographer in the Year 2000".

A reception will follow