

# **DO YOU WANT TO TAKE PART IN AN INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECT?**

**Professor John Wilton** of the University of Plymouth, U.K., will be conducting a research project over the next two years based on the views of students at Masaryk University in two faculties – the Faculty of Economics and Administration and the Faculty of Social Studies.

The research project is funded by the British Academy. The title of the project is ‘**A European Union identity: a case study of new European Union citizens in higher education in the Czech Republic**’. The aim of the project is to contribute an assessment of future prospects for the development of a distinctive citizen European Union identity.

The project will run from September 2005 to August 2007. The aim is to survey students from each of the two faculties (ESF and FSS) who are starting their second year and fourth year of study at September 2005. Those students participating will be asked to complete a short questionnaire at four specific times over those two years – at a short session of between 30 minutes to an hour in November 2005, April 2006, October 2006, and April 2007. *You do not have to be a supporter of the EU to take part. The project should include those in favour of the EU and those not in favour of it.*

The questionnaire will focus on six sections of questions relating to how the student participants identify themselves as citizens (i.e. Czech, EU, Czech/EU, EU/Czech), their perception of the EU as an institution (i.e. positive, negative, or neutral), what most influences their perception of the EU, and their sources of information on the EU. Most of the answers will simply require the student participants to rank their answers by preference by placing a number next to the question. *The questionnaires will be available in both English and Czech, for those students not completely confident with their English.*

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE PART YOU SHOULD COME TO THE LECTURES AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES AND PLACES, WHEN JOHN WILTON WILL TELL YOU MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT AND ASK YOU TO COMPLETE THE FIRST QUESTIONNAIRE.**

ESF -Year 2 students: Thursday 24 November at 9,20 a.m. in aula  
- Year 4 students: Thursday 24 November at 11,05 a.m. in P2

**\* \* \* AFTER THE FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE SESSION IN \* \* \*  
APRIL 2007 THERE WILL BE A PARTY FOR ALL  
THOSE WHO HAVE TAKEN PART.**

