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The Bologna Center welcomes every year some PhD students, recently ranging between 2 to 4, to conduct their research at the Center under the supervision of Bologna faculty members.

***Ms. Zsofia Barta from Hungary***, graduated from Bologna in 2006 and from Washington in 2007, is a PhD student with LSE in London and EUI in Florence in European Political Economy and Political Science. She is currently spending a year (2010-2011) in Bologna to work on her thesis which focuses on Fiscal Policy and Debt Accumulation, under the supervision of Professors Erik Jones and Vera Zamagni.



### **EUSA Conference 2011: Boston**

**EUSA Twelfth Biennial International Conference!**  
Boston, Massachusetts \* March 3-5, 2011  
Hyatt Regency Boston

As part of her research activity, she has been encouraged by her supervisors to participate as a panel discussant in the ***12<sup>th</sup> Biennial European Union Studies Association, EUSA***, International Conference held in Boston, MA, on March 3-5, 2011 focusing on the economic crisis, where she presented a paper on the way public perceptions about the riskiness of public debt influence stabilization efforts. The conference was an important opportunity for Zsofia and fitted very well in her research program.

We are very proud that Zsofia is the first PhD student to benefit from the Fred Hood Research Fund.