Book Presentation

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The Global Market for Investor Citizenship

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Abstract
This is a presentation of Jelena Dzankic’s latest book, which is a systematic study of the history, theory and policy of investor citizenship and residence programmes. It explores how states develop new rules of joining their community in response to globalization and highlights the tension between citizenship policies aimed at migrant integration and those, such as the sale of passports, which create ‘long-distance citizens’. Individual chapters offer insights in the historical relationship between citizenship, money and property; discuss arguments that support and counter the practice of the sale of citizenship; and examine the interests and strategies of the different actors—states, companies, individuals—that constitute the ‘supply’ and ‘demand’ sides of the burgeoning citizenship industry. The book provides a global overview of the market for investor citizenship as well as a separate policy analysis of the sale of citizenship and residence in the European Union.

Curriculum Vitae
Jelena Dzankic (PhD, Cantab) is the coordinator of the Global Citizenship Observatory (GLOBALCIT) at the European University Institute. Previously, she has been a Marie Curie and Jean Monnet post-doctoral fellow at the EUI. After completing her doctorate at the University of Cambridge, Jelena joined the CITSEE team at the University of Edinburgh to research citizenship-related issues in the Balkans. She taught undergraduate courses at the University of Cambridge, University College London, Tsuda College Tokyo, University of Freiburg, University of Passau, taught postgraduate modules at numerous summer schools (NICLAS Bratislava 2013, GUSEGG Seggau 2014), and guest lectured at several universities in Europe and the US. She has frequently cooperated with international organizations and institutions, including Freedom House, the UK House of Commons, and the European Commission. She researches citizenship in Europe and beyond, Europeanization, and politics of identity and has thematic expertise in investor citizenship programs. Jelena’s 2012 Working Paper “The pros and cons of ius pecuniae: investor citizenship in comparative perspective” has pioneered the comparative study of wealth-based migration.

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