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UFO Researchers & Groups in Hungary

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"Hungarians are aliens," goes an anecdote that once circulated at Los Alamos Laboratories in New Mexico. Indeed, a similar quote appears at the top of [the Hungarian government's introductory page](#). It happens that a disproportionate number of scientists on U.S. atomic bomb programs were Hungarian, include Teller, Szilard and Von Neumann. The "Hungarians are aliens" anecdote has appeared in many forms, and it is unclear where it came from, but real Hungarians were in high enough positions in the U.S. government that they would know about any official government information on UFOs.

The recurring Hungarian thread in U.S. UFO stories prompted me to visit Hungary in Nov. 1995 to try to understand the local UFO subculture there. I found nothing too unusual, but my own "alienness" in this environment was very educational. Although separated by thousands of miles, Hungary's UFO subculture seemed very similar to that in the U.S., and I gained many insights -- into human nature at least -- that were useful when I returned home.

Hungary is culturally and linguistically different from the rest of Europe, which might account in part for its association with aliens. The Hungarian language is related to no others in European except Finnish, which is also an odd anomaly. The origins of Hungarian culture seem to lie far to the east. Magyars first arrived in what is now Hungary around 800 AD, but where the tribe originated is a matter of dispute.

Hungarians today are very interested in UFOs and mystical topics. Their UFO subculture resembles a smaller version of that in the US, with a lot of people seeing objects in the sky and making fantastic claims but few conducting organized research. Local commerce in books, magazines and videos on UFO topics is going strong following the fall of Communism. Even the Hungarian Defense Minister has had a private interest in UFOs.

Hungarian Ufologists

Here is a partial list of UFO researchers, lecturers and businessmen, in alphabetical order. Notes and opinions by Glenn Campbell, based on Nov. 95 visit to Hungary. In Hungary, family names come first. The approximate English is given in parentheses (although I am not sure which they would prefer). Most of these researchers do not speak English.

- **Beck Mihály**. Currently the reigning skeptic in Hungary. Chemist. Member of the Hungarian Academy
- **Egely György** -- A para-physicist, apparently a follower of the ideas of Nikola Tesla. Once a respected physicist but now shunned by the Hungarian scientific community for his unorthodox ideas. He is interested in energy fields around people. He is interested in the energy fields around people. I am told he is well known as a "light-ball" (ball lightning?) researcher, with a large library of cases. Address: Budakeszi, Pf. 38

While in Hungary, I purchased an "Egely Wheel," which is a palm size electronic device designed by Egely to measure a person's "vitalic energy." A three-inch wheel on the top of the device spins with no apparent outside force. I never did figure it out.

- **Farkas Bertalan** -- The first (and only?) Hungarian in space, joining a Russian mission in 1980. Neutral on UFOs.
- **György Keleti** -- Hungary's Defense Minister. Wrote an article in *Ufomagazin* prior to joining the government. Political flak has apparently caused him to keep quiet about any UFO interests.
- **Hargitai Károly**, Budapest -- The best known ufologist within the country. He is the first person the local TV stations go to talk about UFOs, and he has written about a dozen UFO books. Tends toward New Age explanations for phenomena, and believes he has been visited by spiritual beings. A former English teacher, his English is excellent. Formerly worked for UNESCO.
- [Keviczky Kálmán](#) -- Hungary's best known ufologist to the outside world. He has been living in New York for years. He was once a bureaucrat for the United Nations, where he made a stir about UFOs around the 1960s. (I'm still seeking the details.)
- **Kisfaludy György**, Budapest -- A populist prophet, not given much credibility by more mainstream ufologists.
- **Kiss László** -- Longtime UFO field investigator in Debrecen. I saw a lengthy report by him in *Ufomagazin*. There is also supposed to be a report by him in *UFO Universe* (US?), 1989 Winter: 'UFO's behind the Iron Curtain'.
- **Mandics György** -- Mentioned to me as a prominent "Hungarian" ufologist, although he lives in Romania. (Many ethnic Hungarians live outside the country following the partitioning of Hungary after the First World War.)
- **Foldes Attila** - Author of UFO books, include (rough English translation) "UFO engines?" and "The message of Mars".
- **Nemere István** -- Science Fiction Writer, author of at least 100 books. Topics include sci-fi, adventure and ufology. Address: Esztergom, Pf.152
- **Pusztay Sándor** -- Editor and publisher of Hungary's largest and oldest UFO magazine, *Ufomagazin*, which resembles *UFO Universe* in the U.S. He is a businessman and publisher employing about a dozen people in

Budapest and several others in Slovakia, where the magazine publishes a local edition. Circulation for *Ufómagazin* (as I recall) is about 30,000 in Hungary and about half that in Slovakia. Although small by western standards, it can be considered a capitalist success story in Hungary. Offices are on the ground floor of an apartment complex along the Danube. The magazine's principal competitor is Szines UFO ("Color UFO") magazine, with a circulation of about 20,000. Both magazines organize lectures and conferences and sell books and video tapes that are frequently translations of English or German originals (with a tendency toward the sensational). *Ufómagazin* is the distributor for the "Roswell Alien Autopsy" film, and when I was there, Pusztay was lecturing on it. Pusztay speaks no English, but some family members do, and at least one staff member reads English. Address: Ufómagazin, Nepfurdo u. 15/c, H-1138 Budapest.

- **Sós Tibor** -- Filmmaker, produced three video tapes on Third-Kind UFO Encounters.
- **Dr. Szilágyi Mária** -- Hypnotherapist, psychologist, focussING on alien abduction. Budapest.
- **Szentágothay János** -- Once Hungary's leading skeptic, president of the Hungarian Academy in the '80s, now deceased.
- **Szucs Robert** -- Editor of [Szines UFO magazine](#)
- **Tarcali Gábor**, Debrecen -- President of Union of Hungarian UFO Societies and leader of a UFO association: HUFON.
- **Tassi Támás**, Budapest. Head of a small UFO group in Buda. He says he is mainly concerned with modern physics, astronomy and cosmology, as well technical questions of about saucer propulsion. He is a follower of Hal Puthoff's zero-point energy theories. Speaks some English. Employed as a mechanical engineer. Budapest.
 - **Physics Article** by Thomas Tassi: "[Theory Of Localised Ether Instead Of Theory Of Relativity](#)"
- **Tesla, Nikola** -- Although Serbo-Croatian, worked in Hungary in 1881-82 before coming to America.
- **Tölgyesi Zoltán** -- Contributor to [Szines UFO magazine](#), maintains their web site. Said to be fluent in English.

[English translations](#) of some of the ufologists' names above.

UFO Groups in Hungary

I am told that there are some 50 UFO groups in Hungary, most of them not very sophisticated. English is rarely spoken or read by members, so these groups are difficult for outsiders to contact. Here are some of the largest groups in Budapest and nationally.

1. **UFOCO** -- UFO Club of Obuda, about 40 members. Leader: Tassi Tamas. Address: XIII. Kerekes u. 4/A, Budapest
2. **BUFOE** -- UFO Organization of Budapest, about 200 members. Leader Fórset Kiss. Address: IX. Szent István tér 7, Budapest
3. **HUFOV** -- Hungarian UFO Researchers, about 20 members. Leader: Borbiró Mihály.
4. **HUFON** -- Association of Hungarian UFO Researchers. An umbrella organization for Hungarian UFO groups. Leaders: Torcali Gábor and Kiss László. Address: Pf. 160, Debrecen.
5. **UFO Controll** -- Leader: Soos Tibor, Address: Pf. 6, Szeged-Szoreg.

6. **Szegedi UFO Klub** -- Leader: Gombosne, Sz. Emillia. Address: Szeged, Melinda u. 12.
7. **Nyiregyhazi UFO Klub** -- Leader: Balla Lázló, Address: Nyiregyhaza, Pf. 25
8. **KUFOA** -- Leader: Viszkok Andras, Address: Kondoros, Pf.57
9. **"The Commission"** or "Robottechnika" -- Apparently a group of about seven PhD scientists interested in plasma balls and antigravity theory. Group appears to conduct active field research into "special light phenomena". (See web site [above](#).)

Hungarian Connections to a U.S. Government UFO Cover-Up

Documents on this Server Concerning Hungarian-UFO Connections

- **Relevance**
 - A retired [U.S. mechanical engineer](#) claims that he worked on a U.S. government program to reproduce alien craft. He says that some of the documents he worked with were written in a "higher form of Hungarian."
- **Articles**
 - [The 400 Lazars of Budapest](#) in Desert Rat #32.
 - [Aliens speak "a higher form of Hungarian"](#) in Desert Rat #28.
 - [Hungarian Connection explored as folklore](#) in Desert Rat #29.
 - ["Hungry for their Roots"](#). Article in *Washington Post* about Hungarians trying to determine their cultural origins. 2/6/95 (posted 8/18/95)
 - ["Martians Replace Marx As Hungary Seeks New Beliefs"](#)*. Article from *London Times*, 12/28/94.
- **[Los Alamos National Laboratories](#)**
 - Hungarian Edward Teller and other discussed the possibility of life on other planets at lunch around 1950. [Report](#)
 - Hungarian-Born Atomic Scientists
 - Edward Teller
 - John von Neuman
 - [Leo Szilard](#)*. Born: Budapest, 1898.
- **Famous Hungarians in Technical Fields**
 - Erno Rubik, inventor of Rubik's Cube. [Chronology](#) | [Rubik's Cube links](#)

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Regarding "UFO Researchers & Groups in Hungary" - Latest First

You should not translate Hungarian names (in the list of persons) into English! This is absolutely unnecessary and extremely ridiculous.

-- Szilagyi Andras (szia@enzim.hu) 1/14/97 (#5)

- I find it odd, too. I have encountered this circumstance on several occasions: Hungarians who tell me they have two names: A Hungarian one and an English one. I have not seen this anywhere else in the world and I assumed it was a Hungarian custom. One acquaintance of mine in Hungary wants to be known only by his English name, which may make a person seem more "international". When we assembled the list of ufologists, it was with the translations, and I assumed it was common. It is certainly useful, as it makes the names less intimidating to an English speaker. I have no idea what is 'politically correct.' I will remove the translations if other Hungarians think it is ridiculous. -- Glenn

1/15/96: Translations moved to a [separate page](#).

I have a BBS (Bulletin Board System) called BITLAND. The phone No. is (#361)270-2964, opened from 6 pm. to 9 am., we 24h. I

collected around 3-400 files/photos/docs about UFOs and rel. data. This one of the biggest database in Hungary about the subject. Mainly from IN, and Hungary. All interested are wellcome, will have level after reg. Bye, thx.

-- Cpt. Nemo (cpt_nemo@hungary.net) 12/5/96 (#2)

Unfortunately, this is vague and sketchy peice of info at best, but I visited a place in Florida called "coral castles" the guy who built it was hungarian. The stories on television do not do this place justice the construction is well documented, he apparently moved giant blocks of coral by himself and then, loaded it all onto a truck and moved it again. some of the constructs had minor astronomical functions and he wrote a lot about magnetism and such, however i do not remember his name. there is an episode of "in search of" about him.

-- dramil (Dramill@ionet.net) 12/3/96 (#1)

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