Why talk about the two most brutal ideologies of the past century today? What does the interaction of Stalinism and National Socialism in the Bloodlands of Europe, between Germany and Russia, tell us about politics and modernity? Which lessons does the history of resistance against dictators hold for today’s world?

Timothy Snyder is one of America’s shooting stars at the overlap of contemporary historical research and current political discourse. He has made his name through a string of historical bestsellers, focusing on Central and Eastern Europe in the 20th century, combining thorough research, crisp analysis and a gripping narrative.

At the fourth CES Author’s dinner, Timothy Snyder will discuss his latest book, “Bloodlands”, and the relevance of the history of totalitarianism, with a select group of guests. The book won five awards including the Emerson Prize in the Humanities and the Leipzig Award for European Understanding, and has been translated into more than twenty languages. It was named to twelve book-of-the-year lists for 2010, and has been a bestseller in four countries.

Timothy Snyder will be in Brussels as the winner of the Velge Prize and the holder of the Chair in the International History of the Second World War at the Université Libre de Bruxelles, where he will be lecturing during his visit.

WHEN: Tuesday, 8 May, 19:00 for 19:30,
WHERE: Stanhope Hotel, Rue du Commerce 9, 1000 Brussels
RSVP until 27 April 2012