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Nordic Russian and Eastern European Studies Conference Intentions, Interactions and Paradoxes in Post-Socialist Space

Programme

Friday, 24 May 2013

Venue: University of Helsinki of premises in the address Unioninkatu 40 (Metsätalo).

9:00- **Registration**

9:30-11:15 **Session 1**

1 Modernization, Civil Society and Corruption (lecture hall 12)

Chair: **Ann-Mari Sätre** (UCRS, Uppsala University, Sweden)

Gudrun Persson (Swedish Defence Research Institute, Sweden): *Modernizing Russia - the art of building a nation*

Silvana Malle (Verona University, Italy): *Modernization from above - why, where and how*

Susanne Oxenstierna (Swedish Defence Research Institute, Sweden): *The role of "voice" of civil society in Russian economic development*

Mi Lennhag (Lund University, Sweden): *Corruption, citizens, and the state - Russian citizens' attitudes towards post-Soviet everyday corruption*

2 Dynamics of environmental politicization in the regional context: Environmental policy paradoxes in the post-Socialist space (lecture hall 7)

Chair and discussant: **Nina Tynkkynen** (University of Tampere, Finland)

Discussant: **Monica Hammer** (Södertörn University, Sweden)

Emma Hakala (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland): *Secure or politicized: Environmental cooperation in the post-conflict Western Balkans*

Daria Gritsenko (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland): *Clean Baltic Shipping: A technical approach or a new policy concept?*

Karin Edberg (Södertörn University, Sweden): *The Island of Energy - local responses to global trends*

Ekaterina Tarasova (Södertörn University, Sweden): *National nuclear energy strategies and public opinion*

3 Roma women and families on the move in the EU/EEA Europe (lecture hall 8)

Chair: **Aino Saarinen** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Discussant: **Heini Puurunen** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Anca Enache (Helsinki Deaconess Institute / University of Helsinki, Finland): *The Deaconess Institute on the move: meetings with Roma women in Helsinki*

Airi Markkanen (University of Eastern Finland / University of Helsinki, Finland): *Meetings with Roma women in Helsinki and Romania*

Raluca Roman (St. Andrews University, UK): *The Perceptions and Reactions of Finnish Roma to the Migrant Roma Communities in Helsinki*

Cristina Rat (Babes Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania): *Roma women and children - losers in view of the new family policies in Romania*

Ada Ingrid Engebrihtsen (NOVA - Norwegian Institute for Social Research, Norway): *Roma women beggars - strangers "ante portas". Paper available upon request.*

11:15-12:15 **Lunch break**

12:15-12:30 **Organiser's welcome words**

Venue: University of Helsinki Language Centre, Fabianinkatu 26, Hall, 3rd floor

Sari Autio-Sarasmo (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

12:30-13:30 **Plenum 1**

Venue: University of Helsinki Language Centre, Fabianinkatu 26, Hall, 3rd floor

Chair: **Sari Autio-Sarasmo** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Rustem Nureev (National Research University - Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia): *Power-property in Post-Soviet Russia as a Path Dependence Problem*

Li Bennich-Björkman (University of Uppsala, Sweden): *Post-Communist Paths of State-Building, Democratization and Social Transformation: Assessing the Second Decade* **CANCELLED**

13:30-14:30 **Coffee**

14:30-16:15 **Session 2**

4 Constructing and Crossing Borders in the EU's Neighbourhood and Russia Policies (lecture hall 12)

Chair and discussant: **Tatiana Zhurzhenko** (University of Vienna, Austria and Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Ilkka Liikanen (Karelian Institute, University of Eastern Finland, Finland): *The EU and the "Re-bordering" of Post-Soviet Space*

Larisa Titarenko (Belarus State University, Minsk, Belarus / Collegium for Advanced Studies, Helsinki, Finland): *EU-Belarus Cross-bordering Projects: Paradoxes of Interactions or the Mutuality of Exclusion?*

Tiina Sotkasiira (Karelian Institute, University of Eastern Finland, Finland): *Migration in the EU's Eastern Neighbourhood*

Andrey Deviatkov (Malmö University, Sweden): *Dynamics of Inclusion / exclusion in Polish and Swedish discourses toward Eastern neighbourhood*

5 Classed, Gendered and Generational Practices of Civic Activism in Russia (lecture hall 8)

Chair: **Jussi Lassila** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Discussant: **Terry Cox** (University of Glasgow, UK)

Laura Lyytikäinen (University of Helsinki, Finland): *Liberal ideas and Soviet continuities in the Russian oppositional youth movement*

Meri Kulmala (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland) and **Anna Tarasenko** (National Research University Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg, Russia): *Veterans' organizations and social reforms in Russia*

Liya Kalinnikova (Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, University of Uppsala, Sweden): *One hundred years of social organizations/ NGO's in the Northern territories of Russia*

Ann-Mari Sätre (Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, University of Uppsala, Sweden): *Empowering Effects of Social Work through Women's Paid and Non-Paid Work in Russia*

6 Fashion and social structure in contemporary Russia (lecture hall 7)

Chair: **Anna-Maria Salmi** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Discussant: **Olga Shevchenko** (Williams College, USA)

Olga Gurova (University of Helsinki, Finland): *"People dress so brightly here!": Exploring social distinctions through clothing in Russia*

Margarita Kuleva (National Research University - Higher School of Economics, St Petersburg, Russia): *Fashion in everyday life of Russian working-class youth: Constructing class, gender and age*

16:15-16:30 Break

16:30-18:15 Session 3

7 The EU's eastern edge: processes of bordering and cross-border integration (lecture hall 12)

Chair: **Sarolta Németh** (Karelian Institute, University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu)

Jussi Laine (Karelian Institute, University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu, Finland): *Bordering, Political Landscapes and Social Arenas at EU external borders*

Margit Säre (Peipsi Center for Transboundary Cooperation, Tartu, Estonia) and **Elena Nikiforova** (Centre for Independent Social Research, St. Petersburg, Russia): *The pitfalls and promises of EU programmes of cross-border cooperation: the case of the Estonian-Russian border*

Endre Sík and **Boglárka Szalai** (TARKI Social Science Research Institute, Budapest, Hungary): *The Hungarian-Ukrainian border: income-generating migration and other cross-border interactions* **CANCELLED**

Matti Fritsch and **Sarolta Németh** (Karelian Institute, University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu, Finland): *Dynamics and trajectories in cross-border interaction between Southeast Finland and its neighbouring Russian regions*

8 Socioeconomic significance of developmental projects in Northwest Russia: the Insiders' Point of View (lecture hall 7)

Chair and discussant: **Julian Konstantinov** (Tromsø University, Norway)

Vladislava Vladimirovna (Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Uppsala University, Sweden): *Intensification of Resource use or Intensified Regulation of Resources: Fish Quotas for Indigenous People in Murmansk Region*

Elena Liarskaia (European University at St. Petersburg, Russia): *Boarding Schools as Agents of Modernization in Yamal: Shifting the Relation between State Schooling and Indigenous People in Postsoviet Russia*

Mikkel Berg-Nordlie (Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research, Norway): *The evolution of indigenous representation in Murmansk Province*

Dmitry Arzyutov (Peter the Great Museum of Anthropology and Ethnography, Kunstkamera, Russian Academy of Science, Russia): *The soviet concept of the Samoed ethnogenesis and its political and administrative implications*

9 The Sochi Predicament: Contexts, Characteristics and Challenges of the Olympic Winter Games in 2014 (lecture hall 4)

Chair: **Karina Vamling** (Malmö University, Sweden)

Discussant: **Katri Pynnöniemi** (The Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Finland)

Bo Petersson (Malmö University, Sweden): *Flexing Muscles: The Sochi Winter Games and verbal manifestations of the Russian great power myth*

Jakob Hedenskog (Swedish Defence Research Agency, Sweden): *The Terror Threat against Sochi-2014*

Alexandre Kukhianidze (Tbilisi State University, Georgia / Malmö University, Sweden): *Security of the Winter Olympics in Sochi from a Georgian Perspective*

Helena Rytövuori-Apunen (University of Tampere, Tampere Peace Research Institute, Finland): *Disputed Frontiers: Abkhazia in Russia's Sochi 2014 Project*

10 Civil Society, Welfare and Rights in Post-socialism (lecture hall 8)

Chair: **Emma Hakala** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Discussant: **Dieter Segert** (University of Vienna, Austria)

Eleanor Bindman (University of Glasgow, UK): *The State, Social Rights and Civil Society in Contemporary Russia*

Amy Watson (University of Glasgow, UK): *Multi-national Corporations as Welfare and Civil society Actors in the Czech Republic*

Freek van der Vet (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland): *Selective Justice: Comparing Russian Strategic Litigation on Torture and Discrimination before the European Court of Human Rights*

Terry Cox (University of Glasgow, UK): *Civil Society and Social Policy in Hungary 2000-2010: Linkages and Contexts*

19:15-22:30 Dinner (by invitation only)

Saturday, 25 May 2013

Venue: University of Helsinki of premises in the address Unioninkatu 40 (Metsätalo).

9:15-11:00 Session 4

11 Re-narrating Heroism and Suffering in Russia, Ukraine and Estonia: Dealing with post-Soviet memories of WWII (lecture hall 4)

Chair and discussant: **Libora Oates-Indruchova** (Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for European History and Public Spheres, Austria)

Jussi Lassila and **Markku Kangaspuro** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland): *To triumphalize the traumatic name: Stalingrad in Putin-era public discussion*

Tatiana Zhurzhenko (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland): *Generational Change, War Memory and the Limits of State Paternalism: Institutionalizing the Children of War in Post-Soviet Russia and Ukraine*

Elena Nikiforova (Centre for Independent Social Research, St. Petersburg, Russia): *Mother's Day, Day of Europe, or Victory Day? (Re)assembling WWII memory in the border city of Narva*

12 Financial crisis and paradoxes of welfare (re)distribution (lecture hall 8)

Chair: **Zhanna Kravchenko** (Södertörn University, Sweden)

Discussant: **Jouko Nikula** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Lisa Kings (Södertörn University, Sweden): *Environment and globalization: New challenges for the Swedish welfare state*

Iveta Jurkane (Södertörn University, Sweden): *Welfare state - a private matter? The case of housing policy in post-soviet Latvia*

Alexandra Dmitrieva (St Petersburg State University, Russia): *Social exclusion/inclusion as a factor of social structuration in Russia*

Adria Alcoverro (Södertörn University, Sweden): *Unemployed youth and labor market in Estonia in the context of crisis*

13 Modernizing Russia - what is in the offing? (lecture hall 12)

Chair: **Sean Roberts** (Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Finland)
 Discussant: **Kirsti Stuvøy** (Lillehammer University College, Norway)
Jakub M Godzimirski (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Norway): *Energy and Modernization of Russia*
Helge Blakkisrud (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Norway): *Modernizing the administrative structure*
Kristian Lundby Gjerde (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Norway): *Putin's visions of the future*

11:00-11:15 Coffee

11:15-13:00 Session 5

14 Russian History and Culture in post-Soviet Textbooks (lecture hall 4)

Chair: **Sanna Turoma** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Discussant: **Susanna Rabow-Edling** (Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, University of Uppsala, Sweden)

Alla Marchenko (Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine) and **Sergiy Kurbatov** (Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, University of Uppsala, Sweden): *Who played chess of perestroika? The representation of Mikhail Gorbachev in Post-Soviet historical textbooks*

Kåre Johan Mjør (Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, University of Uppsala, Sweden): *Does Philosophy have a National Past? The Representation of Russian Philosophy in Post-Soviet Historiography*

Jutta Scherrer (Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales, France): *The Foundations of Orthodox Culture – a Culturology for Children?*

Mikhail Suslov (Uppsala Centre for Russian and Eurasian Studies, University of Uppsala, Sweden): *Spatial Imagination and Identity-Making in Contemporary Russian Manuals on Geopolitics*

15 Public Consultative Bodies in the Russian Regions: Conceptualizing Empirical Evidence (lecture hall 8)

Chair and discussant: **Meri Kulmala** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Aleksandr Sungurov (National Research University Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg, Russia): *Public Chambers in Russian Regions: Comparative Analysis*

Kirsti Stuvøy (Lillehammer University College, Norway): *Power and Legitimacy in Murmansk Regional Public Chamber*

Anna Tarasenko (National Research University Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg, Russia): *Interest Representation in Consultative Bodies: Cases of Russian Regions*

Catherine Owen (University of Exeter, UK): *Public Scrutiny and Governance Trends in Samara: Between Autocracy and Neoliberalism*

16 Middle class as producer and guarantor of neo-modern in post-socialist societies (lecture hall 12)

Chair: **Jouko Nikula** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Discussants: **Alexander Nikulin** (The Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration, Moscow, Russia), **Katalin Miklóssy** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland), **Svetlana Pasti** (University of Tampere, Finland), **Leo Granberg** (University of Helsinki, Finland)

Mikhail Chernysh (Institute of Sociology, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia): *Agency of modernization in contemporary Russia*

Ivan Tchalakov (University of Plovdiv, Bulgaria): *Smashing the socialist middle class by the New Post-Communist Oligarchy: the tension between 'nomenclature' and 'authentic entrepreneurs' during early transition*

Saara Ratilainen (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland): *The Cultural Role of Glossy Consumer Magazines in Russia*

Olga Gromasheva (Pisa University, Italy): *Short food supply chains in St. Petersburg, Russia*

13:00-14:00 Lunch (by invitation only)

14:00-14:45 Plenum 2 (Hall 6)

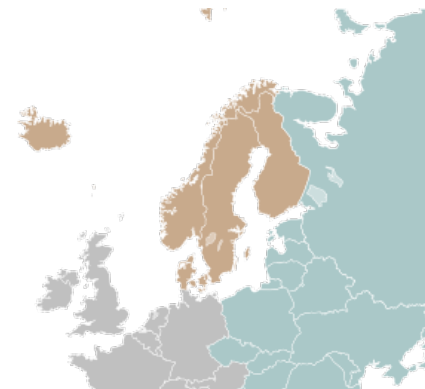
Chair: **Hanna Ruutu** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

Olga Shevchenko (Williams College, USA): *The Sound of One Hand Clapping: Second Thoughts on the Transmission of Memory in Russia*

14:45-15:15 Closing (Hall 6)

Chair: **Hanna Ruutu** (Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland)

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