

World Economy and Comparative Development in Eastern Europe

Economic transitions and political reforms in Russia, Eastern Europe and Eurasia started more than twenty years ago and in many aspects they seem to still be ongoing or incomplete. At the same time, the entanglement of Russia, Eastern Europe and Eurasia with the world economy has become more intense, despite the presence of sanctions and conditions of interstate conflict. While such an involvement can foster economic development through increased trade and investment as well as institutional development, it also suggests that the region becomes more vulnerable to global financial shocks and international crises.

Divergent development paths in Russia, Eastern Europe and Eurasia have been linked to historical and cultural legacies, institutions, climate and geographic location. In the DGO Workshop in Economics our purpose is to refine the economic research agenda on the region by stressing these two dimensions: first, the challenge of Eastern European convergence with Western Europe and the United States, and second, the non-economic determinants of long-run developmental differences across countries in the region.

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Registration and Contact

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Friday, 14 October 2016

1.00 pm Registration and welcome

Gabriele Freitag, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Osteuropakunde, Berlin
Theocharis Grigoriadis, Freie Universität Berlin

1.30 pm Rivers and Trade

Richard Frensch, Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, Regensburg

2.05 pm Energy-intensive Specialization and Growth: The Soviet Disease

Igor Bagayev, University College Dublin

2.40 pm The Role of Contract Enforcement in International Trade: Evidence from Russia

Miriam Frey, Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, Regensburg

3.15 pm Coffee break

3:35 pm Temporal and Spatial Dependence of Interregional Risk Sharing: Evidence from Russia

Jarko Fidrmuc, Zeppelin University Friedrichshafen

4.10 pm Cyclical Trend of Labor Reallocation: Transition and Structural Change

Stanisław Jakub Cichocki, University of Warsaw

4.45 pm Psychological Costs of Currency Transition: Evidence from Euro Adoption

Olga Popova, Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, Regensburg

5.20 pm Agricultural Input Subsidy Program of Georgia

Phatima Mamardashvili, Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi

6.00 pm Dinner

7.00 pm Keynote speech

How Well is the Russian Wheat Market Functioning? A Comparison with the Corn Market in the USA

Linde Götz, Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies, Halle

Saturday, 15 October 2016

9.00 am Debt Sustainability Issues in the Central and Eastern European Countries

Bettina Bökemeier, Bielefeld University

9.35 am Reinventing “Eastern Europe” Return of “Paradigm” after two Decades of Economic Reforms in CEECs?

Justyna Schulz, University of Bremen

10.10 am Safety Net Features, Shareholder Structure and Bank Risk in Central Europe

Dorota Skala, University of Szczecin

10.45 am Coffee break

11.05 am Big Business, Capital Mobility and Regime Dynamics in Eurasia. The Cases of Russia and Ukraine

Inna Melnykovska, Harvard University, Cambridge

11.40 am Property Rights, Collateral and Interest Rates. Evidence from Vietnam

Christa Hainz, Ifo Center for International Institutional Comparisons and Migration Research, Munich

12.15 pm Intertemporal Hybrid Modeling of Energy Policy in Poland

Grzegorz Poniatowski, CASE, Center for Social and Economic Research, Warsaw

12.50 pm Lunch

2.00 pm Democracy, Income and Health: Evidence from Sub-National Comparative Method

Alexander Libman, German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin

2.35 pm Migration and Political Participation in Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Dragos Radu, Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, Regensburg

3.10 pm Russian Revolution and the Soft Budget Constraint

Theocharis Grigoriadis, Freie Universität Berlin

3.45 pm Conclusion

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End of the conference