



October 7 and October 8, 2024

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# Dear ceecon guests,

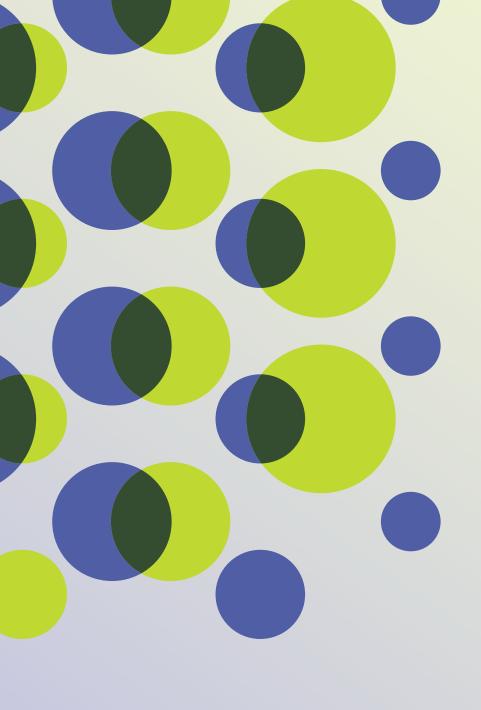
With the DGO Congress of Central and East European Studies, we are presenting for the second time an international forum for academic exchange and interdisciplinary dialog on Eastern Europe. In eight sections, ceecon24 panelists will address research questions from a variety of subject areas. Once again, junior researchers will have the opportunity to present their research projects. Science policy issues, such as research funding, restrictions on scientific freedom, and scientific cooperation in times of war, number among the items on the agenda as well.

This is important because, also for the second time, ceecon is taking place against the backdrop of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. The effects of this war have long since reached us: two of the three organizers are "undesirable" in Russia, the DGO is even considered "extremist". This constitutes an attack on academic freedom. Seen against this backdrop, ceecon is all the more important as a space for the open discussion of new topics and approaches to research.

We would like to thank all those who made this congress possible. First off, the organizing committee, along with members of our seven scientific expert groups and the Young DGO, which designed the program together with our partners, the Institute for East European Studies at the Freie Universität Berlin and the Center for East European and International Studies (ZOiS). We are of course also delighted that the Freie Universität Berlin has yet again generously agreed to host the congress. Financial support for ceecon was provided by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research, the German Research Foundation, and the Freie Universität Berlin, for which we are most grateful. And finally, we wish to thank you for accepting our invitation to attend.

# Ruprecht Polenz

President, German Association for East European Studies



# Welcome to ceecon 2024

ceecon, the DGO-Congress of Central and East European Studies, is the largest multidisciplinary congress on Central and Eastern Europe in the German-speaking realm. The congress was established in 2022 as a joint undertaking between the German Association for East European Studies (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Osteuropakunde, DGO) and the Institute for East European Studies (Osteuropalistitut, OEI) at Freie Universität Berlin. In 2024, the Centre for East European and International Studies (Zentrum für Osteuropa- und internationale Studien, ZOiS) joined ceecon as a cooperative partner.

As an exchange forum for discussing latest research findings, ceecon is an important venue for the international community of researchers specialised in the region. A broad range of sections tackles research questions from a wide array of topics and methodological approaches. Plenary sessions offer academic exchange on topics relevant to all scholars from the field. A special time slot has also been reserved for the presentation of research projects by junior scholars.

The main goal of ceecon is to address topics and methodological approaches that include an interdisciplinary perspective. With this in mind, the sections have been organized thematically. In this way, we would like to promote greater exchange across disciplines and encourage discussions about topics relevant to all scholars in the field.



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# **Plenary Sessions**

# Monday, October 7, 2024 >> HFB/C

# 11:00-11:30

**Opening** >> HFB/C

**Verena Blechinger-Talcott,** Vice President of Freie Universität Berlin **Gabriele Freitag,** German Association for East European Studies (DGO), Berlin

**Gwendolyn Sasse,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin

# 11:30-13:00

Interdisciplinarity and Area Studies: Opportunities and Challenges

>> HFB/C

OPENING PANEL

Maciej Górny, Polish Academy of Science, Warsaw

**Angelika Nußberger,** University of Cologne

Peter Rutland, Wesleyan University

Chair: **Ulrich Schmid,** University of St. Gallen

# 13:30-14:15

Moving Russia(ns): Intergenerational Transmission of Memories Abroad and at Home (MoveMeRU) >> HFB/C

PROJECT PRESENTATION

**Félix Krawatzek,** Centre for East European and International Studies(ZOiS), Berlin

**Hakob Matevosyan,** Centre for East European and International Studies(ZOiS), Berlin

**Sophia Winkler,** Centre for East European and International Studies(ZOiS), Berlin

# Tuesday, October 8, 2024

# 12:30-12:45

Generational Change in Eastern European Studies  $>> \mathsf{HFB/C}$ 

**BOOK PRESENTATION** 

**Anni-Lotta Hamer,** Freie Universität Berlin **Sarah Walgern,** Freie Universität Berlin

### 13:00-13:45

New Perspectives for Ukrainian Studies in Germany: DAAD Funded Centers in Berlin, Frankfurt (Oder) and Regensburg

>> HFB/C

PROJECT PRESENTATION

**Guido Hausmann,** Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS), Regensburg

**Susann Worschech,** Europa-Universität Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder)

### 16:00-17:30

"Ostpolitik" Revisited: Foreign Policy Towards Eastern Europe from the 1970s until Today >> HFB/C

**CLOSING PAPER SESSION** 

**Dalia Grybauskaitė**, Former President of Lithuania, Vilnius **Sylvie Kauffmann**, Agence France-Presse, Le Monde, Paris **Ruprecht Polenz**, Former chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee/President of the German Association for East European Studies (DGO), Berlin

Chair: **Kirsten Bönker,** Northeast Institute at the University of Hamburg

# PhD Presentations: New Research Pe(e)rspectives

Tuesday, October 8, 2024 >> HFB/C

# 11:00-12:30

# **Social Mobility**

**Laura Loew,** Justus-Liebig-University Giessen: Social Advance in Socialist Poland. 1944-1974

**Piotr Majda,** University College London:

Nexus of Power: Investigating Informal Networks in Russia

# **Representations of the Nation Across Shifting Mediascapes**

Paul Primbs, LMU Munich:

The "Wild Nineties" in Myth. Trauma, Nostalgia and Political Spectres in the Pop-Cultural Discourse on the First Post-Soviet Decade

**Ana-Maria Țăranu,** Babeș-Bolyai University and University of Warwick:

Aestheticizing Banal Nationalism. The Resurgence of Cultural Nativism across East Central Europe

# **Memories of an Uneasy Past**

**Anna Ivanova**, Justus-Liebig-University Giessen:

De-Commemoration of the Soviet Past in the Urban Space of Ukraine in the Lights of the Ongoing War and Post-Soviet Hegemony Crisis

**Domenico Scagliusi,** Sorbonne University Paris:

Echoes of Injustice: Russian-Speaking Literature Coming to Terms with the Soviet Repressions

**Gundula Pohl,** University of Hagen:

Historical Comparisons of Genocidal Violence as a Political Resource: Struggles for Recognition, Political Discourse and Historical-Political Practice in the Russian Federation and the Republic Belarus



# **Believing and/or** Belonging

# **Religious Identity in Social and Political Conflict**

Monday, October 7, 2024 >> OEI 55/301

# 14:30-16:00

# **Eastern Europe: Religious Belonging in Political Crisis**

PAPER SESSION

**Yurii Taraban,** Sumy State Pedagogical University War as a Test of Religious Identity: Ukrainian Experience

**Magdalena Waligórska,** Humboldt Universität zu Berlin:

Modern Political Crusading: Catholicism and the Rise of Right-Wing Populism in Poland

**Hanna Vasilevich,** International Centre for Ethnic and Linguistic Diversity Studies (ICELDS), Prague:

Evolution of the Religious Discourses in Belarus during and after 2020 Presidential Flections

Chair: **Regina Elsner,** University of Münster

# 16:30-18:00

# Religious Belonging in Central Europe: Hungary and Bulgaria

PAPER SESSION

**Krisztina Kurdi,** Independent Researcher, Budapest:

The Relationship between Hungarian Governments and Hungarian Jews from the Regime Change to the Present Day - Divide and Conquer?

**Teodora Karamelska,** New Bulgarian University, Sofia: Religious Beliefs or Spiritual Needs: The Religious Field in Post-communist Bulgaria

Márk Stégmayer, Johannes Kepler University Linz:

Identity, Religion, or Religious Identity? Identity Politics of the Orbán Regime

Chair: **Regina Elsner**, University of Münster

### 18:15-19:45

# Reshaping Identities: Orthodoxy and Media in the Landscape of Perestroika in the Soviet Union

PAPER SESSION

Andriy Fert, Kyiv School of Economics, UNET@ZOiS Alumnus, Berlin:

(Re)Discovering Religious Meaning of Temples: Shifts in Representations of the Kyiv Orthodox Communities and Their Temples during Perestroika

Franziska Schedewie, Heidelberg University:

"On the Test Bench" - Representations of the Church Confrontations in Western Ukraine in the German-Language Journal of the Roc "Stimme der Orthodoxie"

Nadezhda Beliakova, Bielefeld University:

Miracles and Bourgeois Nationalists: Expertise and Media Representation of Ukrainian Orthodoxy during the Perestroika in Moscow

Chair: **Sebastian Rimestad,** Leipzig University

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### 9:00-10:30

# **Comparative Perspectives on Religious Plurality in Central** and Eastern Europe

PAPER SESSION

Rahim Rahimov, Independent Researcher, Baku:

Armenian-Azerbaijani Conflict: What Role for the Religion and Clergy?

Jerzy Rohoziński, Pilecki Institute, Warsaw:

Religious Revival in in the Postwar Soviet Union: The Case of Northern Kazakhstan

**Krystof Dolezal,** Central European University Vienna: Post-communist Transformations of Christian Democracy in Central Europe

Chair: **Jennifer Wasmuth,** University of Göttingen

# 14:00-15:30

# Religious Belonging in Georgia's Religious Revival

PAPER SESSION

**Maximilian Ohle,** University of Tübingen:

Religion and State-Building in Georgia's Breakaway Regions: How Do Abkhazia and South Ossetia Accommodate Heterogeneous Religious Identities?

**Tamari Taralashvili,** Chemnitz University of Technology: Needs and Challenges of Muslim Youth in Georgia: Societal Paradigms

**Alexi Gugushvili,** University of Oslo:

A Counterexample to Secularization Theory? Assessing the Georgian Religious Revival

Chair: **Tsypylma Darieva**, Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin

# **Literature and Culture**

# **Contemporary Self-positionings**

Monday, October 7, 2024 >> OEI 55/121

### 14:30-16:00

# Historicising the Self: Contexts, Tools, Addressees before and after 1991

PAPER SESSION

**Anna Artwińska,** Leipzig University/**Alfred Gall,** Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz:

Introductory Remarks: Contemporary Self-Positionings

Natalia Borisova, University of Konstanz:

Memory of the Self-Historicization of Personal and Collective Experience in the Novels of Vasilii Aksenov

**Jane Doe,** Independent Researcher:

(Un)Coping with the past as Task and Value at the Turn of the 1980s and 1990s

Chair: **Anna Artwińska**, Leipzig University/**Alfred Gall**, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

# 16:30-18:00

# Negotiations of Identity I: Sex, Gender, Nation

PAPER SESSION

**Shaban Darakchi,** Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia: How "Gender" Became the Biggest Threat in Eastern Europe: Anti-gender Mobilization and the Heteronational Eastern European Identity **Alexander Chertenko,** Justus-Liebig-University Giessen: Anticipating War: Serhii Zhadan's Self-Masculinizing Losers **Iris Bauer,** Leipzig University:

Queerness as Political Strategy in the Prose of Joanna Bator and Olga Tokarczuk

Chair: **Anna Artwińska,** Leipzig University

# 18:15-19:45

# **Negotiations of Identity II: Polish Case Studies**

PAPER SESSION

Johannes Kleinmann, University of Vienna:

Emancipation through Transformation? Policies and Debates on Work and Gender in Poland (1980-2004)

**Mareike zum Felde,** Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences (BIGSSS)/University of Bremen:

Political Actors and Strategies in Post-socialist Poland: An Analysis of Elites and Debates about Higher Education Policies (1990-2021)

**Ewelina Woźniak-Wrzesińska,** Justus-Liebig-University Giessen: Transnational Flows of Knowledge and the Legislation of Abortion in Poland (2015-2023)

Chair: **Alfred Gall,** Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

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# 9:00-10:30

# The Russo-Ukrainian War: Shifts and Disruptions

PAPER SESSION

**Alina Mozolevska,** Petro Mohyla Black Sea National University, Mykolaiv/UNET@ZOiS-Alumna, Berlin:

I am Ukraine: Geographic Imagery in Visual Popular Art of the Russo-Ukrainian War

Kateryna Yeremieieva, LMU Munich:

How Long Can We Laugh at It? Soviet Humour and Self-Positioning in Modern Ukrainian Communications and Media

**Gregoire Le Gall,** Géographie-Cités, Paris:

Defining One's Own and One's Others, Russo-Ukrainian Family Breakdowns and Resilience in the Context of War Chair: **Alfred Gall,** Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

# 14:00-15:30

# **Mapping Identity: Post- and Transnational Perspectives**PAPER SESSION

**Tatiana Shchyttsova,** European Humanities University, Vilnius: Belarusian Revolution and the National Agenda **Aleksandra Tobiasz,** Institute of Civilisation and Culture (ICK), Ljubljana:

Literary Vertical Reconfigurations of Central Europe

István Kollai, Comenius University Bratislava:

Genius Loci in Central and Eastern Europe: Local Multicultural

Memoryscapes within Homogenizing National Remembrance

Chair: Anna Artwińska, Leipzig University



# Law as a Bulwark against the Abuse of Power

Monday, October 7, 2024 >> OEI 302/A

# 14:30-16:00

# Rule of Law under Pressure in Eastern Europe: Problems and Reform Strategies

PAPER SESSION

**Marta Bucholc,** University of Warsaw:

Trap-Setting as a Mechanism Extending the Resilience of

Illiberal Regimes: Polish Judiciary Post-2023 **Ireneusz Pawel Karolewski,** Leipzig University:

Bringing back the Rule of Law in Post-PiS Poland?

**Lukas Lemm,** Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg:

Why Do Not All Threats Result in Judicial Backsliding?

Analyzing Actor Constellations to Explain Erosion and

Resilience across Central and Eastern Europe

Discussant: **Hans-Joachim Lauth,** Julius-Maximilians-Universität

Würzburg

Chair: Nicolas Hayoz, Universität Fribourg

# 16:30-18:00

# **Evolution of Family Relationships, Legal Regards on Civil Family Duties**

PAPER SESSION

Jane Doe, Independent Researcher:

Protection of the Adult Natural Person through the Measure of Judicial Counselling and Special Legal Guardianship **Yuliia Chystiakova**, Eastern Ukrainian Center for Civic

Initiatives (EUCCI):

Children Who Have Lost Their Parents and Caretakers in the War Time Perspective

**Aurore Chaigneau,** University Paris Nanterre:

Transformation of Matrimonial Relationships

Chair: **Burkhard Breig,** Ostfalia University of Applied Sciences

# 18:15-19:45

# **Internal Legal System and International Co-operation**

PAPER SESSION

**Artur Simonyan,** Research Group (KFG) "The International Rule of Law - Rise or Decline?". Berlin/Potsdam:

Desovietizing International Law: Local Expertise, Living Empire, and Uti Possidetis

Vello Pettai, European Centre for Minority Issues (ECMI),

Flensburg:

Securitization and Law: Changes in Residency Requirements for Russian Federation Citizens in Latvia as Legal Backpedaling **Izabela Wróbel,** WSB Merito University, Wrocław:

The Erosion and Restoration of Poland's Membership in the Eu Community of Law – National and Supranational Consequences and Conclusions

John Doe, Independent Researcher:

Law as Solution and Obstacle to a Territory Conflict: Territory and Constitutional Law in the War in Ukraine

Chair: **Sylvia von Steinsdorff,** Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

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### 9:00-10:30

# **Human Rights and Local Self-Governance**

PAPER SESSION

**Svitlana Mazepa,** West Ukrainian National University, Ternopil/ Osnabrück University:

Democratic Challenges of Free Speech Restrictions in Times of Russian-Ukrainian War

**Maryna Rabinovych,** Kyiv School of Economics, Kyiv/UNET@ ZOiS Affiliated Researcher. Berlin:

Local Governance and Democracy under War: Mapping the Wriggle Room for Ukrainian Municipalities under Martial Law **Jane Doe,** Independent Researcher:

The System of Protection of the Rights of Children in Dysfunctional Families as an Instrument of Pressure on Protesting Parents (Belarus 2020), How to Defend Oneself from Those Who Came to Defend?

Tina de Vries, Institute for East European Law (IOR),

Regensburg:

Restoring the Rule of Law in Poland

Chair: Caroline von Gall, Goethe University Frankfurt

# 14:00-15:30

# **Developing Resillient Institutions**

PAPER SESSION

**Pavel Usvatov/Alina Monceanu,** Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Bukarest:

Usurpation of Legislative Powers by the Executive in Southeast Europe

**Jan Sommerfeld,** Institute for East European Law (IOR),

Regensburg:

The Bicameral Parliament in the Czech Republic as a Bulwark Against the Abuse of Power

**Oleg Tankovsky,** Ludovika University of Public Service,

Budapest:

Exploring the Socio-political Impact of Historical Turnovers: Analysing the Legacy and Consequences of Populist Leadership in Contemporary Ukraine

Anna Fruhstorfer, Freie Universität Berlin:

Constitutional Change under Autocracy

Chair: Rainer Wedde, RheinMain University of Applied Science

# Migration

# **Migration in Times of Polycrisis**

**Monday, October 7, 2024** >> OEI 55/105

# 14:30-16:00

# **Ukrainian Experience of Forced Migration**

PAPER SESSION

**Iryna Maidanik,** National Academy of Science of Ukraine, Kyiv: Remittances to and from Ukraine after the Full-Scale Russian Invasion

**Volodymyr Vakhitov,** American University Kyiv:

Return Intentions of Ukrainians in Poland: Results from the Priming Experiment

**Natalia Dziadyk,** Central European University Vienna:

Contested Polycrisis: Its Epistemic Construction by the Displaced People from Ukraine and the Politics of Recognition in a Radicalised Political Space

Oksana Mikheieva, UNET@ZOiS Alumna, Berlin:

Young Ukrainian Refugees in Europe: Everyday Experiences of Forced Migration and Vision for the Future

Chair: Inna Melnykovska, Central European University Vienna

# 16:30-18:00

# **Russian Migrant Activism**

PAPER SESSION

**Tsypylma Darieva,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin:

Diasporic Mobilization in a Time of Crisis: Perspectives of Russian Migrants' Activism in Georgia

**Tatiana Golova,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin:

Russian vs. Russian: Diasporization Projects by Anti-war vs. Pro-kremlin Migrant Activists in Germany

Karolina Nugumanova, Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence:
Activism beyond Borders: Gender Dynamics and Political
Participation among Russian Wartime Migrants
Sophie Jaeger, Central European University Vienna:
Online Opposition in Exile: Online Strategies and Audiences of the Russian Opposition in Exile before and after February 2022
Chair: Regina Heller, Institute for Peace Research and Security
Policy (IFSH)

# 18:15-19:45

# Digital Diaspora: Exploring Responses of IT Sectors to the Russian War and Disruptions in Eastern Europe

PAPER SESSION

Inna Melnykovska, Central European University Vienna: Resilience Across Borders: Exploring Societal Commitment in the Response of Ukrainian IT Businesses to War Times Margarita Zavadskaya, Finnish Institute of International Affairs (FIIA), Helsinki:

A Long Shadow of Autocracy: Russian IT Sector between Migration and Security

John Doe, Independent Researcher:

Hirschman in Belarus: A Sectoral Analysis of Business Exit Patterns from an Authoritarian Political Economy Chair: **Fabian Burkhardt**, Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS), Regensburg

**Tuesday, October 8, 2024** >> OEI 55/105

# 9:00-10:30

# Migration to and from the South Caucasus

PAPER SESSION

**Klaudia Kosicińska,** Friedrich Schiller University Jena: New Destinations, Old Ties? Azerbaijanis from Georgia in Azerbaijan, Poland and Germany. A Comparative Study of (Im)Mobility and Migratory Routes in Anthropological Perspectives Jane Doe, Independent Researcher:

New Russian Migrants in Armenia and Georgia: Causes and Consequences

**Tatiana Sitchinava,** East European University, Tbilisi: Russia-Ukraine Post-war Migration and its Impact on the Socio-Economic Environment of Georgia

Chair: **Tsypylma Darieva,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin

# 14:00-15:30

# War, Peace and History across Borders

PAPER SESSION

**Regina Heller,** Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy (IFSH), Hamburg:

Societal Peace Formation and the War in Ukraine: What and How Can We Learn from Russian and Ukrainian Diasporas?

Hakob Matevosyan / Félix Krawatzek, Centre for East

European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin:

History and Intergenerational Agreement on Politics in Germany **Felix Riefer,** Independent Researcher:

Russia's Revisionist Foreign Policy and the False Diaspora Discourse in Germany

Chair: **Margarita Zavadskaya**, Finnish Institute of International Affairs (FIIA), Helsinki

# **Quantitative Insights**

# Quantitative Insights on Developments in Eastern Europe

Monday, October 7, 2024 >> OEI 55/302B

# 14:30-16:00

# **Human Capital**

PAPER SESSION

**Beatriz Matafora,** University of Duisburg-Essen:

Exploring European Identity: A Comparative Analysis of Linguistic Influence and Educational Opportunities in the Baltic States (2016-2022)

Ketevani Kapanadze, Charles University, Prague:

Bring Together What Belongs Together. The Case of Divided Cities in Europe

**Michael Rochlitz,** University of Oxford:

The Economic Consequences of Brain Drain: How the Exodus of IT Specialists Affects Russia's Competitiveness

Chair: Michael Rochlitz, University of Oxford

# 16:30-18:00

### Freedom and Civic Activism

PAPER SESSION

**William Pyle,** Middlebury College:

Russia's 'Impressionable Years': The Legacy of the Early 1990s

Anna Fruhstorfer, Freie Universität Berlin:

Logistics of Protest Camps: Does Middle Class Promote Civic Activism? Individual and Group-Level Effects of the Middle Class in an Autocracy

Chair: Michael Rochlitz, University of Oxford

# Tuesday, October 8, 2024 >> OEI 55/302B

# 9:00-10:30

# War in Ukraine: Socioeconomic Implications

PAPER SESSION

**Gwendolyn Sasse,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin:

War Trauma, Identity, and Political Attitudes in Ukraine

**Tetiana Kostiuchenko,** Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin:

"A Friend or a Foe": Perceptions and Attitudes Towards the Security Threats and Alliances in Eastern European Countries

Tetiana Skrypchenko, UNET@ZOiS Alumna, Berlin:

Ukrainians' Perspectives on Community Development and Establishing Refunding Justice in De-Occupied Cities: Insights from a ZOiS Research Fellow Project

Chair: Michael Rochlitz, University of Oxford

# 14:00-15:30

# **Democracy and Autocracy**

PAPER SESSION

Michael Dobbins, University of Konstanz:

"Backsliding Lobbying": How can Post-Communist Interest Groups Better Navigate Democratic Decline?

Olga Kutsenko, Technische Universität Berlin:

How do Attitudes towards Democracy or its Alternatives Structure European Societies? Comparative Quantitative Insights

**Ivaylo Dinev,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin:

When Do Protests Succeed? First Evidence from Protest

Waves in Eastern Europe Dataset

Chair: Michael Rochlitz, University of Oxford

# War Effects on the Environment

# War Effects on Food Systems and the Environment

Monday, October 7, 2024 >> OEI 55/101

# 14:30-16:00

# The Politics of Food Production in Light of Russia's War on Ukraine

PAPER SESSION

**Susanne Wengle,** Uppsala University:

The Political Economy of Ukrainian Agriculture; Before, During and After the War

**Robin Leterrier,** Paris 8 University:

New "Paths" for Kazakhstan's Agricultural Sector after Russian Invasion of Ukraine

Niklas Mariotte, Freie Universität Berlin:

Agriculture, Geopolitics, Imperialism: Russian Food Policy in the 21st Century and the Reconfiguration of the Global Food Regime **Mihai Varga,** Freie Universität Berlin:

Specters of Hunger: The Weaponization of Global Wheat Trade in the Ukraine-Russia Conflict

Chair: **Alexander Vorbrugg**, University of Bern

# 16:30-18:00

The Implications of Russia's War in Ukraine for International Trade in Agri-Food Products and Energy in Eastern Europe and Central Asia

PAPER SESSION

Mariia Bogonos, Kyiv School of Economics:

Current and Long-Term Impacts of Russia's War against

Ukraine on Ukraine's Agricultural Production and Trade **Tinoush Jamali Jaghdani/Linde Götz,** Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), Halle (Saale):

Wheat Trade between Iran and Russia; A Sustainable or Temporary Trend?

**Karolina Pawlak/Mariusz Hamulczuk,** Poznań University of Life Sciences/ Warsaw University of Life Sciences: Polish Foreign Trade in Agri-Food Products with Particular Emphasis on the Russia-Ukraine War Impacts

Louis Skyner, Dentons, Prague:

The Impact of Russia's War against Ukraine on Uzbekistan's Political Economy of Energy

Chair: **Linde Götz,** Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), Halle (Saale)

# 18:15-19:45

# War Effects on Food Systems and the Environment: Research Network Launch Event

ROUNDTABLE

Angelina Davydova, n-ost, Berlin

Kateryna Polianska, Environment People Law, Kyiv

**Susanne Wengle,** Uppsala University

Mariia Fedoruk, Hamburg University of Applied Sciences

Olena Melnyk, Sumy National University / Royal Agricultural

University, Cirencester

Jonathon Turnbull, University of Oxford

Chair: Alexander Vorbrugg, University of Bern

# **Tuesday, October 8, 2024** >> 0EI 55/101

# 9:00-10:30

# **Environmental Impacts of Russia's War in Ukraine**

PAPER SESSION

**Mariia Fedoruk,** Hamburg University of Applied Sciences: Ukraine Nature: Silent Victim of the Russian War **Nataliia Miroshnyk,** National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv:

Landscapes of Ukraine - Loss of Homeland or Finding New Meaning?

**Olena Melnyk,** Sumy National University / Royal Agricultural University, Cirencester:

Devastating Effects of the Russian War on Ukrainian Natural Resources

Mariia Rastvorova, University of Graz:

What Price for Grain? Ukrainian Farming and Global Markets Taking into Account the War

Chair: Mihai Varga, Freie Universität Berlin

# 14:00-15:30

# Historic Approaches to Food (In-)Security and Hunger in the (Former) Soviet Union

PAPER SESSION

**Alexandra Pulvermacher,** University of Klagenfurt:

The Starvation of Soviet POW in Occupied Ukraine, 1941-44

Oksana Nagornaia, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin:

Soldiers' Bodies against the Raging Nature: Bodily Experiences in the Mountain War in the Carpathians 1914/15

Andrei Dörre, Freie Universität Berlin:

Food Security and Dietary Patterns in the Pamirs, Tajikistan

Chair: **Robert Kindler,** Freie Universität Berlin

# The Establishment of Security?

# (False) Expectations of Peacetime Orders

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# 14:30-16:00

# The Establishment of Security? (False) Expectations of Peacetime Orders

PAPER SESSION

Karsten Brüggemann, Tallinn University:

Pax Sovietica

**Konrad Clewing,** Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast

European Studies (IOS), Regensburg:

(In-)Stability, No Matter Whether with Peace-Treaty or with

Armistice? Lessons from the Bosnian and Kosovar Post-war

Arrangements of 1995 and 1999

**Heidi Hein-Kircher,** Martin-Opitz-Library, Herne / Ruhr

University Bochum:

The (Failed) Promise of Creating Security: Minority Protection and Its Realities After the Paris Peace Treaties

### 16:30-18:00

# Challenges for a Peacetime Order in Current Europe

PAPER SESSION

**Anastasiia Magazova**, Independent Journalist, Berlin:

Russia's Strategic Narratives on Ukraine between 2019-2022

(The Case of Ukrainian-Prorussian Parties)

Irakli Javakhishvili, Webster University Georgia:

The Attempts to Establish A Peacetime Order In Georgia:

A Long-Term Threat to the Country's Security?

# **Kateryna Kobchenko,** University of Münster:

Anti-soviet Conceptions of Ukrainian Emigrants during the Cold War: "Alternative Models" of the Collapse of the USSR from a Modern Perspective

### 18:15-19:45

# Belarusians, Lithuanians, Poles: Does the Common Past Unite or Divide?

PAPER SESSION

**Rūstis Kamuntavičius,** Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas: The Problem of Litvinism: A Lithuanian Perspective

**Andrzej Pukszto,** Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas: Uncelebrated Day of Victory. Some Reflections about Modern Politics of Memory from the Perspectives of Lithuanian-Polish-Belarusian Relations

**Andrei Kazakevich,** European Humanities University, Vilnius: The Politics of Litvinismas. Political Discussion in Lithuania about the Threat to Lithuanian Heritage and Identity from Belarus Chair: **Aliaksei Lastouski,** Belarusian Institute of Public History, Poland

**Tuesday, October 8, 2024** >> OEI 55/A

### 9:00-10:30

State Strengths and Security Aspects in Territorial Representations of Ukraine and Its Neighbouring Countries from the Late 18th to the Early 21st Century

PAPER SESSION

**Borbala Zsuzsanna Möller-Török,** University of Vienna: State Strength and Security Aspects in State Descriptions ("Staatsbeschreibungen") in European History from the 18th Century until Today

**Yuri Zazuliak,** University of Münster/Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv: The Insecurity of Ukraine in Johann Christian von Engel "Geschichte der Ukraine und der Cossacken" (1796)

Franziska Davies. LMU Munich:

Conceptions of Statehood in the 1980s and State-Building In Early Independent Ukraine after 1991

**Guido Hausmann,** Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS), Regensburg:

The Illusion of Economic Security in Handbooks on Ukraine in the Interwar Period

Discussant: **Andreas Wittkowsky,** Center for International

Peace Operations (ZiF), Berlin

Chair: Guido Hausmann, Leibniz Institute for East and

Southeast European Studies (IOS), Regensburg

# 14:00-15:30

# The Work of SCIENCE AT RISK Emergency Office

PROJECT PRESENTATION

**Philipp Christoph Schmädeke,** SCIENCE AT RISK Emergency Office

**Sven Jaros, SCIENCE AT RISK Emergency Office** 

# Talking Science, Talking Science Politics

Monday, October 7, 2024 >> OEI 323

# 14:30-16:00

Support, Reconstruction, Reforms: How Can We Make the German-Ukrainian Cooperation in Research Even More Attractive?

ROUND TABLE

**Olexandra V. Antoniouk,** National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine **Olga Garaschuk,** University of Tübingen, President of German-Ukrainian Academic Society

**Susann Worschech,** Academic Coordinator Competence Network Interdisciplinary Ukrainian Studies Frankfurt (Oder) – Berlin Chair: **Florian Frank,** Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Berlin

# 16:30-18:00

# **Funding Strategies in Times of War**

ROUND TABLE

**Florian Frank,** Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Berlin

**Caroline von Gall,** Goethe University Frankfurt **Sylvia von Steinsdorff,** Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Chair: **Gabriele Freitag,** German Association for East European

Studies (DGO), Berlin

# 18:15-19:45

What Does Remain from the Russian Conservative International  ${\sf BOOK\ TALK}$ 

**Katharina Bluhm,** Freie Universität Berlin: Russland und der Westen. Ideologie, Ökonomie und Politik seit dem Ende der Sowjetunion, Matthes & Seitz 2023 **Alicja Curanović,** University of Warsaw: The Sense of Mission in Russian Foreign Policy, Routledge 2021 **Mikhail Susloy,** University of Copenhagen:

Putinism – Post-Soviet Russian Regime Ideology, Routledge 2024 **Dmitry Uzlaner,** Freie Universität Berlin:

The Moralist International. Russia in the Global Culture Wars. Fordham University Press, 2022 (co-author: Kristina Stoeckle)

**Tuesday, October 8, 2024** >> OEI 323

### 9:00-10:30

# Science Communication in Eastern European Studies:

Where Are We Now?

ROUND TABLE

**Harald Franzen,** Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Berlin

Klaus Gestwa, University of Tübingen

Anna Hofmann, ZEIT Stiftung Bucerius, Hamburg

Chair: **Sebastian Lambertz,** German Association for

East European Studies (DGO), Berlin

# 14:00-15:30

# Self-Positioning between Past, Present and Future in Moldova and Ukraine

PAPER SESSION

**Sophie Lambroschini,** Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin:

The "Golden Hands" of Repair in War: The Expertise, Trajectories and Professional Identification of Critical Infrastructure Workers in the War in Ukraine

Gregoire Le Gall, Géographie-Cités, Paris:

Defining One's Own and One's Others: Russo-Ukrainian Family Breakdowns and Resilience in the Context of War

**Sabine von Löwis,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin: Bazaars in the Context of EU Market Integration - Past Economic Order or Adaptive Structure? Chair: **Irina Mützelburg,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin

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# **Film Screening and Discussion**

**Sunday, October 6, 2024** >> ACUDkino

# 19:00 "NAMME"

# Zaza Khalvashi/ Georgia 2017 OMEU 91 min

The work of Zaza Khalvashi (b. 1957) holds a unique place in Georgian cinema. As a filmmaker from Batumi, Adjara, Khalvashi focuses on the country's periphery in the Caucasus, bringing to light stories often overlooked by contemporary Georgian film. His 2017 film "Namme," which was nominated for Best Foreign Language Film at the Oscars, is set in a culturally and religiously diverse Muslim mountain village in Adjara. The film follows the coming-of-age journey of Namme, the only daughter among four siblings, who must protect a sacred spring her family has guarded for generations.

However, Namme is more than just a guardian. Khalvashi masterfully weaves a poetic narrative that explores the tension between modernity and tradition, while also criticizing the relentless exploitation of nature. As a hydroelectric plant is constructed in the village, water—the film's central element—becomes a powerful symbol around which all actions revolve. In "Namme", the late director creates a world that, while seemingly mythical, is gradually stripped of its enchantment through the conflicts of culture, identity, ecology, technology, and myth.

**Introduction:** Susanne Strätling

The film will be followed by a discussion with the historians Manana Nikabadze and Tamar Oeburia.

**Moderation:** Irine Beridze, Literature and cultural scientist Organized by DGO and the Institute for Eastern European Studies of Freie Universität Berlin.



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# **Reading and Discussion**

# **Book Reading with the Ukrainian Author Natalka Sniadanko**

**Tuesday, October 8, 2024** >> Literaturforum im Brecht-Haus

### 19:30 "Frau Müller hat nicht die Absicht, mehr zu bezahlen" Natalka Sniadanko/Ukraine

Chrystyna and Solomija are two women eager to make the most of their lives. So, they decide to leave their hometown of L'viv to move to Athens. However, halfway there, they change their plans and end up staying in Berlin. There, they are confronted with a different lifestyle and culture, challenging their Ukrainian identity and raising questions about the role of Eastern European migrant workers in Germany. In her novel, Natalka Sniadanko humorously portrays two friends who bravely step into the unknown, by focusing on issues of patriarchal structures, gender roles, and the relationship between the 'East' and 'West' of Europe.

Natalka Snjadanko, born in 1973 in Lviv, is a writer, translator. and journalist. She works as a research associate at the Institute of Slavic Studies at the University of Leipzig. Her debut novel, Sammlung der Leidenschaften (translated from Ukrainian by Anja Lutter), was first published in German in 2007. In 2016, Frau Müller hat nicht die Absicht, mehr zu bezahlen (translated from Ukrainian by Lydia Nagel) was released by Haymon. In 2021, her third novel, Der Erzherzog, der den Schwarzmarkt regierte, Matrosen liebte und mein Großvater wurde (translated from Ukrainian by Maria Weissenböck), was published in German.

The reading will be followed by a discussion with Natalka Sniadanko.

Moderation: Anna Artwińska und Alfred Gall.

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# **Program in Chronological Order**

# Day 1: Monday, October 7, 2024

### 11:00-11:30

Opening >> HFB/C

**Verena Blechinger-Talcott,** Vice President of Freie Universität Berlin

**Gabriele Freitag,** German Association for East European Studies (DGO), Berlin

**Gwendolyn Sasse,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin

### 11:30-13:00

Interdisciplinarity and Area Studies:
Opportunities and Challenges >> HFB/C
OPENING PANEL

**Maciej Górny,** Polish Academy of Science, Warsaw

**Angelika Nußberger,** University of Cologne Chair: **Ulrich Schmid,** University of St. Gallen

13:00-14:30

### LUNCH

### 13:30-14:15

Moving Russia(ns): Intergenerational Transmission of Memories Abroad and at Home (MoveMeRU) >> HFB/C

PROJECT PRESENTATION

**Félix Krawatzek,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin

**Hakob Matevosyan,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin **Sophia Winkler,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin

### 14:30-16:00

# BELIEVING AND/OR BELONGING: RELIGIOUS IDENTITY IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CONFLICTS

**Eastern Europe: Religious Belonging in Political Crisis** > OEI 55/301

PAPER SESSION

**Yurii Taraban,** Sumy State Pedagogical University:

War as a Test of Religious Identity: Ukrainian Experience

**Magdalena Waligórska,** Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin:

Modern Political Crusading: Catholicism and the Rise of Right-Wing Populism in Poland

Hanna Vasilevich, International Centre for Ethnic and Linguistic Diversity Studies (ICELDS), Prague: Evolution of the Religious Discourses in Belarus during and after 2020 Presidential Elections

Chair: **Regina Elsner**, University of Münster

# LITERATURE AND CULTURE – CONTEMPORARY SELF-POSITIONINGS

Historicising the Self: Contexts, Tools, Addressees before and after 1991 >> OEI 55/121
PAPER SESSION

**Anna Artwińska**, Leipzig University/Alfred Gall, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz: Introductory Remarks: Contemporary Self-Positionings

**Natalia Borisova**, University of Konstanz: Memory of the Self-Historicization of Personal and Collective Experience in the Novels of Vasilii Aksenov

Jane Doe, Independent Researcher: (Un)Coping with the past as Task and Value at the Turn of the 1980s and 1990s

Chair: **Anna Artwińska**, Leipzig University/ **Alfred Gall**, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

# LAW AS A BULWARK AGAINST THE ABUSE OF POWER

Rule of Law under Pressure in Eastern Europe: Problems and Reform Strategies >> OEI 302/a PAPER SESSION

Marta Bucholc, University of Warsaw: Trap-Setting as a Mechanism Extending the Resilience of Illiberal Regimes: Polish Judiciary Post-2023

**Ireneusz Pawel Karolewski**, Leipzig University: Bringing back the Rule of Law in Post-PiS Poland?

**Lukas Lemm,** Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg:

Why Do Not All Threats Result in Judicial Backsliding? Analyzing Actor Constellations to Explain Erosion and Resilience across Central and Eastern Europe

Discussant: **Hans-Joachim Lauth,** Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg Chair: **Nicolas Hayoz,** Universität Fribourg

### **MIGRATION IN TIMES OF POLYCRISIS**

### **Ukrainian Experience of Forced Migration**

>> 0EI 55/105

PAPER SESSION

**Iryna Maidanik,** National Academy of Science of Ukraine, Kyiv:

Remittances to and from Ukraine after the Full-Scale Russian Invasion

**Volodymyr Vakhitov,** American University Kyiv: Return Intentions of Ukrainians in Poland: Results from the Priming Experiment

**Natalia Dziadyk,** Central European University Vienna:

Contested Polycrisis: Its Epistemic Construction by the Displaced People from Ukraine and the Politics of Recognition in a Radicalised Political Space

**Oksana Mikheieva,** UNET@ZOiS Alumna, Berlin: Young Ukrainian Refugees in Europe: Everyday Experiences of Forced Migration and Vision for the Future

Chair: **Inna Melnykovska,** Central European University Vienna

# QUANTITATIVE INSIGHTS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN EASTERN EUROPE

**Human Capital** >> 0EI 55/302b PAPER SESSION

**Beatriz Matafora,** University of Duisburg-Essen: Exploring European Identity: A Comparative Analysis of Linguistic Influence and Educational Opportunities in the Baltic States (2016-2022)

**Ketevani Kapanadze,** Charles University, Prague: Bring Together What Belongs Together.

The Case of Divided Cities in Europe

Michael Rochlitz, University of Oxford:

The Economic Consequences of Brain Drain: How the Exodus of IT Specialists Affects Russia's Competitiveness

Chair: Michael Rochlitz, University of Oxford

# WAR EFFECTS ON FOOD SYSTEMS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The Politics of Food Production in Light of Russia's War on Ukraine >> OEI 55/101

PAPER SESSION

**Susanne Wengle,** Uppsala University (SW): The Political Economy of Ukrainian Agriculture; Before, during and after the War

**Robin Leterrier**, Paris 8 University:

New "Paths" for Kazakhstan's Agricultural Sector after Russian Invasion of Ukraine

**Niklas Mariotte,** Freie Universität Berlin: Agriculture, Geopolitics, Imperialism: Russian Food Policy in the 21st Century and the Reconfiguration of the Global Food Regime

**Mihai Varga,** Freie Universität Berlin: Specters of Hunger: The Weaponization of Global Wheat Trade in the Ukraine-Russia Conflict

Chair: **Alexander Vorbrugg,** University of Bern

# THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SECURITY? (FALSE) EXPECTATIONS OF PEACETIME ORDERS

PAPER SESSION >> OEI 55/A

**Karsten Brüggemann,** Tallinn University: Pax Sovietica

**Konrad Clewing,** Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS), Regensburg: (In-)Stability, No Matter Whether with Peace-

Treaty or with Armistice? Lessons from the Bosnian and Kosovar Post-war Arrangements of 1995 and 1999

**Heidi Hein-Kircher,** Martin-Opitz-Library, Herne/Ruhr University Bochum:

The (Failed) Promise of Creating Security: Minority Protection and Its Realities After the Paris Peace Treaties

### **TALKING SCIENCE, TALKING SCIENCE POLITICS**

Support, Reconstruction, Reforms: How Can We Make the German-Ukrainian Cooperation in Research Even More Attractive? >> OEI/323 ROLIND TABLE

Olexandra V. Antoniouk, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Head of the Scientific Committee of the National Council for Scientific and Technological Development of Ukraine Olga Garaschuk, University of Tübingen, President of German-Ukrainian Academic Society Susann Worschech, Europa-Universität

Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder), Academic Coordinator Competence Network Interdisciplinary Ukrainian Studies Frankfurt (Oder) – Berlin

Chair: **Florian Frank,** Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Berlin, Head of Division Cooperation with (non-EU) Eastern European Countries, South Caucasus, Central Asia

16:00-16.30

### **COFFEE BREAK**

16:30-18:00

# LITERATURE AND CULTURE – CONTEMPORARY SELF-POSITIONINGS

### Negotiations of Identity I: Sex, Gender, Nation

>> OEI 55/121

PAPER SESSION

**Shaban Darakchi,** Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia:

How "Gender" Became the Biggest Threat in Eastern Europe: Anti-gender Mobilization and the Heteronational Eastern European Identity

**Alexander Chertenko,** Justus-Liebig-University Giessen:

Anticipating War: Serhii Zhadan's Self-Masculinizing Losers Iris Bauer, Leipzig University:

Queerness as Political Strategy in the Prose of Joanna Bator and Olga Tokarczuk

Chair: **Anna Artwińska**, Leipzig University

# LAW AS A BULWARK AGAINST THE ABUSE OF POWER

Evolution of Family Relationships, Legal Regards on Civil Family Duties >> 0EI 302/a PAPER SESSION

Jane Doe, Independent Researcher: Protection of the Adult Natural Person through the Measure of Judicial Counselling and Special Legal Guardianship

**Yuliia Chystiakova,** Eastern Ukrainian Center for Civic Initiatives (EUCCI): Children Who Have Lost Their Parents and Caretakers in the War Time Perspective

**Aurore Chaigneau,** University Paris Nanterre: Transformation of Matrimonial Relationships Chair: **Burkhard Breig,** Ostfalia University of Applied Sciences

# BELIEVING AND/OR BELONGING: RELIGIOUS IDENTITY IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CONFLICTS

**Religious Belonging in Central Europe: Hungary and Bulgaria** >> OEI 55/301

PAPER SESSION

**Krisztina Kurdi,** Independent Researcher, Budapest: The Relationship between Hungarian Governments and Hungarian Jews from the Regime Change to the Present Day - Divide and Conquer? **Teodora Karamelska,** New Bulgarian University, Sofia:

Religious Beliefs or Spiritual Needs:

The Religious Field in Post-communist Bulgaria **Márk Stégmayer,** Johannes Kepler University Linz: Identity, Religion, or Religious Identity? Identity Politics of the Orbán Regime

Chair: Regina Elsner, University of Münster

### **MIGRATION IN TIMES OF POLYCRISIS**

**Russian Migrant Activism** >> 0EI 55/105 PAPER SESSION **Tsypylma Darieva,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin: Diasporic Mobilization in a Time of Crisis: Perspectives of Russian Migrants' Activism in Georgia

**Tatiana Golova,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin: Russian vs. Russian: Diasporization Projects by Anti-war vs. Pro-kremlin Migrant Activists in

**Karolina Nugumanova,** Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence:

Activism beyond Borders: Gender Dynamics and Political Participation among Russian Wartime Migrants

**Sophie Jaeger,** Central European University Vienna:

Online Opposition in Exile: Online Strategies and Audiences of the Russian Opposition in Exile before and after February 2022

Chair: **Regina Heller,** Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy (IFSH)

# QUANTITATIVE INSIGHTS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN EASTERN EUROPE

Freedom and Civic Activism >> OEI 55/302b
PAPER SESSION

**William Pyle,** Middlebury College: Russia's ,Impressionable Years': The Legacy of the Early 1990s

Anna Fruhstorfer, Freie Universität Berlin: Logistics of Protest CampsDoes Middle Class Promote Civic Activism? Individual and Group-Level Effects of the Middle Class in an Autocracy Chair: Michael Rochlitz, University of Oxford

# WAR EFFECTS ON FOOD SYSTEMS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

# The Implications of Russia's War in Ukraine for International Trade in Agri-Food Products and Energy in Eastern Europe and Central Asia

>> OEI 55/101
PAPER SESSION

Mariia Bogonos, Kyiv School of Economics: Current and Long-Term Impacts of Russia's War against Ukraine on Ukraine's Agricultural Production and Trade **Tinoush Jamali Jaghdani**, Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), Halle (Saale):

Wheat Trade between Iran and Russia; A Sustainable or Temporary Trend?

**Karolina Pawlak,** Poznań University of Life Sciences, Polish Foreign Trade in Agri-Food Products with Particular Emphasis on the Russia-Ukraine War Impacts

Louis Skyner, Dentons, Prague:

The Impact of Russia's War against Ukraine on Uzbekistan's Political Economy of Energy Chair: **Linde Götz**, Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), Halle (Saale)

# THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SECURITY? (FALSE) EXPECTATIONS OF PEACETIME ORDERS

# Challenges for a Peacetime Order in Current

Europe >> OEI 55/A PAPER SESSION

**Anastasiia Magazova,** Independent Journalist, Berlin:

Russia's Strategic Narratives on Ukraine between 2019-2022 (The Case of Ukrainian-Prorussian Parties)

Irakli Javakhishvili, Webster University Georgia: The Attempts to Establish A Peacetime Order In Georgia: A Long-Term Threat to the Country's Security?

**Kateryna Kobchenko,** University of Münster: Anti-soviet Conceptions of Ukrainian Emigrants during the Cold War: "Alternative Models" of the Collapse of the Ussr from a Modern Perspective

### TALKING SCIENCE, TALKING SCIENCE POLITICS

**Funding Strategies in Times of War** >> 0EI/323 ROUND TABLE

**Florian Frank,** Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Berlin

**Caroline von Gall**, Goethe University Frankfurt **Sylvia von Steinsdorff**, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Chair: **Gabriele Freitag**, German Association for East European Studies (DGO), Berlin

18:00-18:15

### **COFFEE BREAK**

18:15-19:45

# BELIEVING AND/OR BELONGING: RELIGIOUS IDENTITY IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CONFLICTS

# Reshaping Identities: Orthodoxy and Media in the Landscape of Perestroika in the Soviet Union >> OEI 55/301

PAPER SESSION

**Andriy Fert,** Kyiv School of Economics, UNET@ ZOiS Alumnus, Berlin:

(Re)Discovering Religious Meaning of Temples: Shifts in Representations of the Kyiv Orthodox Communities and Their Temples during Perestroika

Franziska Schedewie, Heidelberg University: "On the Test Bench" - Representations of the Church Confrontations in Western Ukraine in the German-Language Journal of the Roc "Stimme Der Orthodoxie"

Nadezhda Beliakova, Bielefeld University: Miracles and Bourgeois Nationalists: Expertise and Media Representation of Ukrainian Orthodoxy during the Perestroika in Moscow Chair: Sebastian Rimestad, Leipzig University

# LITERATURE AND CULTURE – CONTEMPORARY SELF-POSITIONINGS

### **Negotiations of Identity II: Polish Case Studies**

>> OEI 55/121

PAPER SESSION

**Johannes Kleinmann,** University of Vienna: Emancipation through Transformation? Policies and Debates on Work and Gender in Poland (1980-2004)

**Mareike zum Felde,** Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences (BIGSSS)/ University of Bremen:

Political Actors and Strategies in Post-socialist Poland: An Analysis of Elites and Debates about Higher Education Policies (1990-2021)

### Ewelina Woźniak-Wrzesińska.

Justus-Liebig-University Giessen:

Transnational Flows of Knowledge and the Legislation of Abortion in Poland (2015-2023) Chair: **Alfred Gall**, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

# LAW AS A BULWARK AGAINST THE ABUSE OF POWER

# **Internal Legal System and International Co-operation** >> OEI 302/a

PAPER SESSION

**Artur Simonyan**, Research Group (KFG) "The International Rule of Law - Rise or Decline?", Berlin/Potsdam:

Desovietizing International Law: Local Expertise, Living Empire, and Uti Possidetis

**Vello Pettai,** European Centre for Minority Issues (ECMI), Flensburg:

Securitization and Law: Changes in Residency Requirements for Russian Federation Citizens in Latvia as Legal Backpedaling

**Izabela Wróbel,** WSB Merito University, Wrocław: The Erosion and Restoration of Poland's Membership in the Eu Community of Law – National and Supranational Consequences and Conclusions

John Doe, Independent Researcher: Law as solution and obstacle to a territory conflict: territory and constitutional law in the war in Ukraine Chair: Sylvia von Steinsdorff, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

### MIGRATION IN TIMES OF POLYCRISIS

# Digital Diaspora: Exploring Responses of IT Sectors to the Russian War and Disruptions in Eastern Europe >> OEI 55/105

PAPER SESSION

**Inna Melnykovska,** Central European University Vienna:

Resilience Across Borders: Exploring Societal Commitment in the Response of Ukrainian IT Businesses to War Times

Margarita Zavadskaya, Finnish Institute of International Affairs (FIIA), Helsinki:
A Long Shadow of Autocracy: Russian It Sector between Migration and Security

**John Doe,** Independent Researcher: Hirschman in Belarus: A Sectoral Analysis of Business Exit Patterns from an Authoritarian Political Economy

Chair: **Fabian Burkhardt**, Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS), Regensburg

# WAR EFFECTS ON FOOD SYSTEMS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

**Research Network Launch Event** >> 0EI 55/101 ROUNDTABLE

Angelina Davydova, n-ost, Berlin Kateryna Polianska, Environment People Law, Kyiv Susanne Wengle, Uppsala University Mariia Fedoruk, Hamburg University of Applied Sciences

**Olena Melnyk,** Sumy National University/Royal Agricultural University, Cirencester

**Jonathon Turnbull,** University of Oxford Chair: **Alexander Vorbrugg,** University of Bern

# THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SECURITY? (FALSE) EXPECTATIONS OF PEACETIME ORDERS

Belarusians, Lithuanians, Poles: Does the Common Past Unite or Divide >> OEI 55/A PAPER SESSION

**Rūstis Kamuntavičius,** Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas:

The Problem of Litvinism: a Lithuanian Perspective

**Andrzej Pukszto,** Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas:

Uncelebrated Day of Victory. Some Reflections about Modern Politics of Memory from the Perspectives of Lithuanian-Polish-Belarusian Relations

**Andrei Kazakevich,** European Humanities University, Vilnius:

The Politics of Litvinismas. Political Discussion in Lithuania about the Threat to Lithuanian Heritage and Identity from Belarus

Chair: **Aliaksei Lastouski**, Belarusian Institute of Public History, Poland

### **TALKING SCIENCE, TALKING SCIENCE POLITICS**

What does remain from the Russian Conservative Internationale >> OEI/323 BOOK TALK

**Katharina Bluhm,** Freie Universität Berlin: Russland und der Westen. Ideologie, Ökonomie und Politik seit dem Ende der Sowjetunion, Matthes & Seitz 2023

**Alicja Curanović,** University of Warsaw: The Sense of Mission in Russian Foreign Policy, Routledge 2021

**Mikhail Suslov,** University of Copenhagen: Putinism – Post-Soviet Russian Regime Ideology, Routledge 2024

**Dmitry Uzlaner,** Freie Universität Berlin: The Moralist International. Russia in the Global Culture Wars. Fordham University Press, 2022 (co-author: Kristina Stoeckle)

20:00-21:30

### RECEPTION

Day 2: Tuesday, October 8, 2024

09:00-10:30

# BELIEVING AND/OR BELONGING: RELIGIOUS IDENTITY IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CONFLICTS

# Comparative Perspectives on Religious Plurality Central and Eastern Europe >> OEI 55/301 PAPER SESSION

**Rahim Rahimov,** Independent Researcher, Baku: Armenian-Azerbaijani Conflict: What Role for the Religion and Clergy?

**Jerzy Rohoziński,** Pilecki Institute, Warsaw: Religious Revival in in the Postwar Soviet Union: The Case of Northern Kazakhstan

**Krystof Dolezal,** Central European University Vienna:

Post-communist Transformations of Christian Democracy in Central Europe

Chair: **Jennifer Wasmuth,** University of Göttingen

# LITERATURE AND CULTURE – CONTEMPORARY SELF-POSITIONINGS

# The Russo-Ukrainian War: Shifts and Disruptions

>> OEI 55/121
PAPER SESSION

**Alina Mozolevska,** Petro Mohyla Black Sea National University, Mykolaiv/UNET@ZOiS-Alumna. Berlin:

I am Ukraine: Geographic Imagery in Visual Popular Art of the Russo-Ukrainian War

Kateryna Yeremieieva, LMU Munich:

How Long Can We Laugh at It? Soviet Humour and Self-Positioning in Modern Ukrainian Communications and Media

**Gregoire Le Gall,** Géographie-Cités, Paris: Defining One's Own and One's Others, Russo-Ukrainian Family Breakdowns and Resilience in the Context of War

Chair: **Alfred Gall**, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

# LAW AS A BULWARK AGAINST THE ABUSE OF POWER

### **Human Rights and Local Self-Governance**

>> OEI 302/a
PAPER SESSION

Svitlana Mazepa, West Ukrainian National University, Ternopil/Osnabrück University: Democratic Challenges of Free Speech Restrictions in Times of Russian-Ukrainian War Maryna Rabinovych, Kyiv School of Economics, Kyiv /UNET@ZOIS Affiliated Researcher, Berlin: Local Governance and Democracy under War: Mapping the Wriggle Room for Ukrainian Municipalities under Martial Law

**Tina de Vries,** Institute for East European Law (IOR), Regensburg:

Restoring the Rule of Law in Poland Chair: **Caroline von Gall**, Goethe University Frankfurt

### **MIGRATION IN TIMES OF POLYCRISIS**

### Migration to and from the South Caucasus

>> OEI 55/105 PAPER SESSION **Klaudia Kosicińska,** Friedrich Schiller University Jena:

New Destinations, Old Ties? Azerbaijanis from Georgia in Azerbaijan, Poland and Germany. A Comparative Study of (Im)Mobility and Migratory Routes in Anthropological Perspectives

Jane Doe, Independent Researcher:

New Russian Migrants in Armenia and Georgia: Causes and Consequences

**Tatiana Sitchinava,** East European University, Tbilisi:

Russia-Ukraine Post-war Migration and its Impact on the Socio-Economic Environment of Georgia

Chair: **Tsypylma Darieva**, Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin

# QUANTITATIVE INSIGHTS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN EASTERN EUROPE

# War in Ukraine: Socioeconomic Implications

>> OEI 55/302b

PAPER SESSION

**Gwendolyn Sasse,** Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), Berlin: War Trauma, Identity, and Political Attitudes in Ukraine

**Tetiana Kostiuchenko,** Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin:

"A Friend or a Foe": Perceptions and Attitudes Towards the Security Threats and Alliances in Eastern European Countries

**Tetiana Skrypchenko,** UNET@ZOiS Alumna, Berlin: Ukrainians' Perspectives on Community Development and Establishing Refunding Justice in De-Occupied Cities: Insights from a ZOiS Research Fellow Project

Chair: Michael Rochlitz, University of Oxford

# WAR EFFECTS ON FOOD SYSTEMS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

### Environmental Impacts of Russia's War in

**Ukraine** >> 0EI 55/101

PAPER SESSION

**Mariia Fedoruk,** Hamburg University of Applied Sciences:

Ukraine Nature: Silent Victim of the Russian War **Nataliia Miroshnyk**, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. Kyiv:

Landscapes of Ukraine - Loss of Homeland or Finding New Meaning?

**Olena Melnyk**, Sumy National University/Royal Agricultural University, Cirencester: Devastating Effects of the Russian War on Ukrainian Natural Resources

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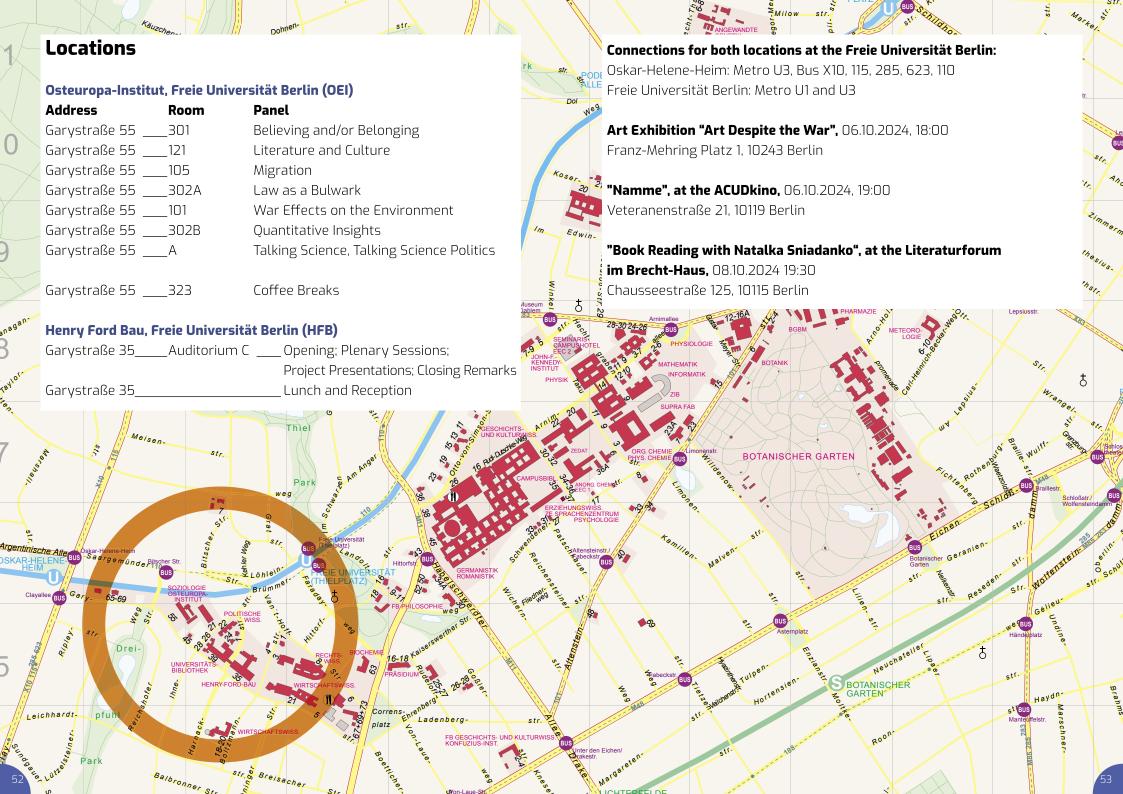
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