

4th UK-Finnish Postgraduate Workshop

Central & East European Studies, School of Social & Political
Sciences, University of Glasgow

PROGRAMME

Gilbert Scott Conference Suite (Rm 355)

8th – 9th November 2012, University of Glasgow, UK

Thursday 8th November

0945-1000 Introductions

1000-1130 **Session 1 Contesting human rights: the politics of an East European space** (Chair: Jussi Lassila)

- **Eleanor Bindman** (University of Glasgow) *The State, rights and civil society in Russia*
- **Freek van der Vet** (University of Helsinki) *Human Rights Activism in Chechnya: Transitional Justice, Innovation, and the Translation of European Human Rights*
- **Iain Ferguson** (University of St Andrews) *Hostile Neighbours, 2005-8: The Protection of EU-Russia Governance*

1130-1145 - Coffee

1145-1315 **Session 2 Networks and organisations** (Chair: Jon Oldfield)

- **Zuleykha Mail Zada** (University of Glasgow) *Networking the human right to health*
- **Emma Hakala** (University of Helsinki) *Regional environmental cooperation in the Western Balkans and the role of international organizations*
- **Ion Voicu Sucala** (University of Glasgow) *Red versus Expert - context and consequences in Romania*

1315-1415 – Lunch

1415-1515

Keynote: Professor David Moon (University of York)
American Black Earth: 'The Reception of Russian Soil Science in the USA, c.1880s-c.1930s' (Chair: Kaarina Aitamurto)

1515-1530 - Coffee

1530-1715

Session 3 Making sense of the past and present (Chair: Eeva Korteniemi)

- **Mila Oiva** (University of Turku) *Telimena in Moscow - Launching the Great Marketing Tour to the Soviet Union 1961*
- **Jaakko Turunen** (Södertörn University) Dialogicality of language and imperfect hermeneutics
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- **Miia Ijäs** (University of Tampere) *Polish-Lithuanian royal elections as rational decision making process*
- **Tuomas Hovi** (University of Turku) *Between Global and Local, between Heritage and Fiction - Dracula tourism in Romania*

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19.00 Evening meal

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Friday 9th November

09.30-09.45

Dr Sari Autio-Sarasmo (University of Helsinki & Research Coordinator, FCERS) *The Finnish Centre of Excellence in Russian Studies*

09.45-10.45

Keynote: Dr Luke March (University of Edinburgh) *Art and aftermath: The Pussy Riot trial's implications for Russian politics* (Chair: Hanna Ruutu)

1045-1100 Coffee

11.00-12.45

Session 4 Split Session (Chair: Sari Autio-Sarasmo)

Strategic energy concerns

- **Paolo Sorbello** (University of Glasgow) *A bridgehead to Europe*

- **Jack Sharples** (University of Glasgow) *A critical exploration of Russian state and expert conceptions of Russia's gas exports to the EU during the Medvedev Presidency (2008-2012)*

Baltic reflections

- **Daria Gritsenko** (University of Helsinki) *Clean shipping and ports: Changing strategies for Baltic oil harbours*
- **Kerstin Mahlapuu** (University of Glasgow) *Estonian post-2004 identity construction: using audiovisual and textual aids in interviewing*

1245-1315 Lunch

13.15-14.50 Session 5 Crisis and conflict (Chair: Jon Oldfield)

- **Anna Halonen** (University of Helsinki) *Managing crisis and building international peace? – Analysing the development of the EU's Common Security and Defence Policy*
- **Ira Österberg** (University of Helsinki) *War as Absent Space in Aleksei Balabanov's Brother (Brat, 1997)*

1530 Depart for Edinburgh (by train)