



Russian Speakers in the Post-Soviet Space: Comparative Approaches University of Tartu, 8-9 October 2015 Venue: University Old Cafe, Ülikooli 20

Thursday 8 October

09.15-09.45 Welcome coffee and registration

09.45-10.00 Opening words by Dr Ammon Cheskin (CRCEES) and Dr Piret Ehin (CEURUS)

Panel 1: 10.00 – 11.30

Chair: Anastassia Zabrodskaja, Tallinn University, Estonia	
Sergii Pakhomenko, Mariupol State University,	Identity as political technology: propagandistic
Ukraine	attempts to frame the Donbas conflict as ethnically
	grounded (presentation in Russian)
Nadia Bureiko, University of St Gallen,	Russian speakers – Ukrainian citizens. How to define
Switzerland/Bukovinian State University, Ukraine	the identity?
Kseniia Gurzhy, Humanitarian Education Centre of	The post-Soviet past of the Donetsk city and its impact
NASU, Ukraine	on the conflict in eastern Ukraine
Volodymyr Kulyk, National Academy of Sciences,	Identity in transformation: Ukraine's Russian-speakers
Ukraine	in comparative perspective

Panel 2: 11.45 – 13.40

Chair: Heiko Pääbo, University of Tartu, Estonia	
Narek Mkrtchyan, Yerevan State University, Armenia	On the problems of Kazakhstan's linguistic identity
Ekaterina Zinchenko, Institute for Cultural Relations	Return settlement of Russians to Central Asia
Policy, Hungary	(Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan)
Matthew Blackburn, University of Glasgow, UK	Russians and Russian Speakers in Kazakhstan: A Case
	Study of the Young Post-Soviet Generation (18-30)
Suren Zolyan, National Academy of Sciences, Armenia	Russians, Russian speakers and Russian language in
	Armenia
Andrii Krasniashchykh, V. N. Karazin Kharkiv National	Contemporary Russophone literature in Ukraine:
University, Ukraine	Problems of Identity (presentation in Russian)

13.40 – 14.30 Lunch break (for presenters and panelists, lunch will be served at the University Cafe)

Chair: Ksenia Maksimovtsova, Justus-Liebig University of Giessen, Germany	
Anna Yunatska, Zaporizhzhya National University,	Recovering Ukrainian National Identity through
Ukraine	Positive Language Policy
Ammon Cheskin, University of Glasgow, UK	Theorising Russia's relationship with its 'compatriots
	abroad': The case of the Baltic states
David Erkomaishvili, Central European Journal of	Measuring Minorities' Influence on Alignments in the
Intentional and Security Studies, Czech Republic	post-Soviet Space
Federica Prina, University of Glasgow, UK	Moldova: Soviet legacies, the 'state language' and
	linguistic (in)justice

Panel 3: 14.30 - 16.00

Panel 4: 16.15 – 17.45

Chair: David Erkomaishvili, Central European Journal of International and Security Studies, Czech Republic	
Svitlana Koch, Odessa National I. I. Mechnikov	System of Socio-Cultural and Transnational
University, Ukraine	Connections of Ethnic Groups of Bessarabia:
	Comparative Researches in the Context of "Russian
	World" Influence (presentation in Russian)
Eeva Kesküla, Max Planck Institute for Social	Russian-speaking miners at the peripheries of the
Anthropology, Germany	former Soviet Union: bringing class analysis back in
Marharyta Fabrykant, Belarusian State University,	Russian-Speaking Belarusian Majority: Tactical Turn,
Belarus	Civic Nationalism, or Merely Having It Easy
Irina Rudik, independent scholar	Russian student fraternities and Russians in student
	fraternities

19.00 Dinner (for presenters and panellists only)

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Panel 5: 9.00 – 10.30

Chair: Ammon Cheskin, University of Glasgow, UK	
Angela Kachuyevski, Arcadia University, USA	"Russian World" and securitization theory
Oleksii Polegkyi, Antwerp University,	Evolution of Russian foreign policy towards former
Belgium/Municipal Development Foundation in Kyiv,	Soviet republics under Putin: from 'Russian world' to
Ukraine	'Novorossia'
Pavel Tereshkovich, Independent Belarusian Bologna	Mapping the "Russian World"
Committee, Belarus	
Agne Cepinskyte, King's College London, UK	Nation and state in Weimar Germany's and post-
	Soviet Russia's minority discourse:
	Personenverbandstaat and the Russian world

Panel 6: 10.45 – 12.35

Chair: Marharyta Fabrykant, Belarusian State University, Belarus	
Piret Ehin, University of Tartu, Estonia	Security Threat or Trustworthy Partner: How Views on
	Russia Structure Political Competition in Post-Soviet
	Space
Anastassia Zabrodskaja, Tallinn University, Estonia	Linguistic ideologies among Russian-Estonian families
	in contemporary Estonian society
Kristina Šliavaitė, Lithuanian social research centre,	Belonging and citizenship in narratives by Russians and
Lithuania	Russian speakers of different generations in a
	community next to the Ignalina nuclear power plant in
	Lithuania
Andrey Makarychev, University of Tartu, Estonia	Securitizing Russian Speakers in Estonia: Biopolitical
	and Geopolitical Perspectives

12.35 – 13.30 Lunch break (for presenters and panelists, lunch will be served at the University Café)

Panel 7: 13.30 – 15.00

Chair: Piret Ehin, University of Tartu, Estonia	
Mārtiņš Kaprāns, University of Latvia, Latvia	Unanimity possible? Framing the Ukrainian crisis in
	Latvia's Russian-speaking press
Jānis Juzefovičs, independent scholar	Responses of the Russian-speaking audiences towards
	the Russia-Ukraine conflict and its representations on
	transnational Russian television
Ksenia Maksimovtsova, Justus-Liebig University of	The Potential of Using the Russian-Language
Giessen, Germany	Blogosphere for the Study of Language Policy in
	Contemporary Estonia, Latvia and Ukraine
Monika Frejute-Rakauskiene, Lithuanian Social	Questioning the civic and political loyalty:
Research Centre, Lithuania	representation of Russian ethnic group in popular
	Lithuanian internet dailies

15.00 Concluding remarks





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