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
- 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

19.00 Evening meal

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)**