

Shaping Eastern European Societies and Economies: Culture, Religion and Historical Legacies

Conference of the DGO Economy and Society Group

Berlin, European Academy

16 November

14.00 – 16.00. Pre-Communist Legacies and History

Olga Vasilyeva, Economic Research Institute (with John Nye, George Mason University): Migration, Religion, and Development: The Long-Term Impact of Molokans on Development in the Russian Far East

Maria Kravtsova, National Research University Higher School of Economics (with Aleksey Oshchepkov, National Research University Higher School of Economics, and Christian Welzel, Leuphana University of Lüneburg): The Shadow of the Family: Historical Roots of Social Capital in Europe

Theocharis Grigoriadis, Free University of Berlin: The Geography of Finance and Industrialization: Evidence from the Russian Empire

Julia Zimmermann, Free University of Berlin (with Theocharis Grigoriadis, Free University of Berlin): Espionage and Conflict in the Age of Extremes

Discussant: Olga Popova

16.15 – 18.15. Legacies of Communism, Wars and Empires

Maria Polugodina, Free University of Berlin (with Theocharis Grigoriadis, Free University of Berlin): East Prussia 2.0: Persistent Regions, Rising Nations

Christian Ochsner, CERGE-EI / University of Zurich: Dismantled Once, Divided Forever: A Quasi-Natural Experiment of Red Army Misdeeds in Post-WWII Europe

Gerhard Toews, New Economic School (with Pierre-Lois Vezina, King's College, and Luciano Ciravegna, King's College): Corruption: The Long Shadow of the GULAG

Alexander Libman, Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich (with Anastassia Obydenkova, Institute for Economic Analysis of the Spanish Council for Scientific Research): CPSU Legacy and Inequality in Russian Regions

Discussant: TBD

19.30: Plenary Talk

Tomila Lankina, LSE: The Discreet Adaptations of the Bourgeoisie: Historical Resilience of Social Stratification and why it Matters for Development and Democracy

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09.00 – 11.00. **Religiosity and Human Capital** (organized by Olga Popova)

Gunes Gokmen, New Economic School (with Eren Arbatli, National Research University Higher School of Economics): Ethnic Capital and Subnational Development: Armenian and Greek Legacy in Post-Expulsion Turkey

Anna Kochanova, Cardiff Business School (with Maryam Naghsh Nejad, IZA Institute of Labor Economics): Minds for the Market: Non-Cognitive Skills in Post-Soviet Countries

Anastasia Litina, University of Ioannina (with Jian Li, University of Luxembourg): Financial Risk-Taking, Religiosity and Denomination Heterogeneity

Olga Popova, IOS Regensburg: Does Parental Religiosity Explain Children's Health Inequalities?

Discussant: Theodor Grigoriadis

11.15-13.15. **Legacies, Ideas and Culture**

Katharina Bluhm, Free University of Berlin (with Martin Brandt, Free University of Berlin): Unleashed "Traditional Values". Ultraconservative Influence on Russia's Family Policy

Gintare Malisauskaite, University of Kent: Do People from Eastern Bloc Perceive their Health Differently? Determinants and Impact of Health Perception Gap

Yana Zabanova, PFH Göttingen / University of Groningen: State Promotion of Hydropower in Georgia: Tracing the Soviet Legacies

Ia Eradze, University of Kassel: Shadows of the Past: Historical Legacies of the Georgian State in the Wake of Dollarization

Discussant: Alexander Libman