

Conference program

June 29, 2015 (Monday)

EACES -HSE Workshop

Political Economy of Development: New Challenges and Perspectives

Moscow, HSE, Myasnitskaya Str. 20, room 124

9.30 Registration

10.00 Keynote Speaker **Timothy Frye** (Columbia University and Higher School of Economics)

Elections, Protest, and Trust in Government: A Natural Experiment from Russia

Chair: Andrei Yakovlev (Higher School of Economics)

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 Session 1 Human capital, productivity and political participation

Chair: Thomas Remington (Emory University and Higher School of Economics)

- **Sarah Wilson Sokhey** (University of Colorado)
Public Opinion & The Reversal of Russian Pension Privatization
- **Olga Vasilyeva** (Amur State University and the Economic Research Institute FEB RAS)
Does Social Diversity Matter for Productivity? Evidence from the Russian Far East
- **Lucas van der Velde** (University of Warsaw), **Joanna Tyrowicz** (University of Warsaw)
Can We Really Explain Worker Flows in Transition Economies?
- **Elodie Douarin** (University College London), **Dragos Radu** (University College London)
Migration and Political Participation: Selection or Transmission?

13.00 Lunch

14.30 Session 2 Political institutions and policy

Chair: John Reuter (University of Wisconsin and Higher School of Economics)

- **Quintin H. Beazer** (Florida State University)
Who's to Blame? Punishing Poor Economic Performance in a Centralized Political System
- **Franziska Keller** (New York University)
Networks of Power: Using Social Network Analysis to understand who will rule and who is really in charge in the Chinese Communist Party
- **Qian Jiwei** (East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore)

Crowding out among China's expanding social programs and “fragmented authoritarianism”

- **Inga A.-L. Saikkonen** (Åbo Akademi University), **Allison C. White** (Earlham College)
More Than a Name?: Variation in Voter Mobilization of Titular and Non-Titular Ethnic Minorities in Russian National Elections

16.00 Coffee break

16.30 Session 3 Institutions and institutional change in transition countries

Chair: Andrei Yakovlev (Higher School of Economics)

- **Margaret Hanson** (Ohio State University)
Land rights and local governance under post-communism
- **Miklos Szanyi** (Debrecen University and Institute for World Economics, MTA KRTK)
The reversal of the privatization logic in Central European transition economies
- **Theocharis Grigoriadis** (Freie Universität Berlin)
Finance and Revolution in Late Imperial Russia
- **Irina Chetverikova** (European University at St. Petersburg)
The effects of policy change on the enforcement of criminal law related to economic crimes in Russia

18.00 Closing

ICSID Conference
"Institutions, Elites and Collective Action in the Developing World"
Moscow, HSE, Myasnitskaya Str. 20, room 311

June 30, 2015 (Tuesday)

10.00 Invited Speaker **Timur Kuran** (Duke University)

The Financial Power of the Powerless: Socio-Economic Status and Interest Rates under Partial Rule of Law (with Jared Rubin, Chapman University)

Chair: Timothy Frye (Columbia University and Higher School of Economics)

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 Session 1. Political Institutions and Bureaucracy

Chair: Quintin H. Beazer (Florida State University)

- **Michael Rochlitz** (Higher School of Economics), **Alessandro Belmonte** (INVALSI)
Authoritarian Regimes, Bureaucratic Incentives and Economic Growth
- **David Szakonyi** (Columbia University and Higher School of Economics)
Firm-Level Returns from Connections to Elected Politicians: Evidence from Russia
- **John Reuter** (University of Wisconsin and Higher School of Economics), **Noah Buckley** (Columbia University and Higher School of Economics)
Why Authoritarian Elections? An Elite-Based Theory with Evidence from Russian Mayoral Elections
- **Alexander Libman** (German Institute for International and Security Affairs and Higher School of Economics), **Andrei Yakovlev** (Higher School of Economics), **Alexander Yarkin** (Higher School of Economics)
Incentives for Local Bureaucrats and Interplay of Control and Executive Hierarchies in Non-Democracies

13.30 Lunch

15.00 Session 2 Social Trust and Social Policy

Chair: Ekaterina Borisova (Higher School of Economics)

- **Thomas Remington** (Emory University and Higher School of Economics), **Israel Marques** (Columbia University and Higher School of Economics), **Vladimir Bazavluk** (Higher School of Economics)
The Reform of Skill Formation in Russia: Regional Responses
- **Ekaterina Borisova** (Higher School of Economics), **Irina Levina** (Higher School of Economics), **Andrei Govorun** (Higher School of Economics), **Denis Ivanov** (Higher School of Economics)

Who to Help? Trust and Preferences over Redistribution in Russia

- **Israel Marques** (Columbia University and Higher School of Economics)

Institutional Quality and Individual Preferences for Social Policy

16.30 Coffee break

17.00 Invited Speaker **Arturas Rozenas** (New York University)

Persuasion and dissuasion with biased media: Evidence from Russian television in Ukraine (with Leonid Peisakhin, New York University - Abu Dhabi)

Chair: Michael Rochlitz (Higher School of Economics)

18.00 Closing

July 1, 2015 (Wednesday)

10.00 Invited Speaker **Edmund Malesky** (Duke University)

Do Governance Rankings Improve Subnational Economic Performance? Evidence from Randomized Field Experiment in Vietnam

Chair: Thomas Remington (Emory University and Higher School of Economics)

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 Session 1 Institutions and Economic Performance I

Chair: Alexander Libman (German Institute for International and Security Affairs and Higher School of Economics)

- **Andrei Yakovlev** (Higher School of Economics), **Irina Levina** (Higher School of Economics), **Anastasiya Kazun** (Higher School of Economics)
Measurement of business climate in Russia: who did perceive the changes and how these changes are related to Mr. Putin?
- **Irina Levina** (Higher School of Economics)
Behavioral Centralization of the Firm: Evidence from 7 European Countries and Russia
- **Noah Buckley** (Columbia University and Higher School of Economics), **John Reuter** (University of Wisconsin and Higher School of Economics)
Performance Incentives under Autocracy: Evidence from Russia's Regions

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Session 2 Institutions and Economic Performance II

Chair: Timothy Frye (Columbia University and Higher School of Economics)

- **Andrei Yakovlev** (Higher School of Economics), **Anton Kazun** (Higher School of Economics)

The Quality of Law Enforcement System in Russian Regions: an Assessment of Attorneys

- **Denis Ivanov** (Higher School of Economics)

Do Institutions Cause Social Trust? Evidence from an Institutional Reform

- **Egor Lazarev** (Columbia University)

Laws in Conflict: The Politics of Legal Pluralism in Chechnya

15.30 ICSID organizational workshop / free time for guests