Conference program

**EACES - HSE Workshop “Topics in Political Economy of Development”**
Moscow, HSE, 11 Myasnitskaya Str., rooms 518, 429, 430
June 13, 2017 (Tuesday)

09.30 - 10.00 – Registration (room 518)

10.00 - 11.00 - Invited Speaker: Richard Doner (Emory University)
The Politics of the Middle-Income Trap
*Chair: Thomas Remington*

11.00 – 11.30 - Coffee-break

Parallel Sessions (rooms 429, 430):

11.30 - 13.00 - Session 1a. Problems of Economic and Political Transformation I
*Chair: Andrei Yakovlev*

Christopher Miller (Yale University)
The Politics of Inflation and the Distribution of Income in Early 1990s Russia

Paula Ganga (Georgetown University)
Reversing Liberalization: Examining Populism and Nationalization in Hungary

Samuel Rogers (University of Bristol)

Jordan Gans-Morse (Northwestern University, with Alexander Kalgin, Andrei Yakovlev, and Andrey Klimenko)
Motivations for Public Service in Post-Soviet Russia

*Discussant: Thomas Remington*

11.30 - 13.00 - Session 1b. Political Elites and Development
*Chair: Timothy Frye*

Nikolay Petrov (HSE, with Alexander Knyev)
Repressions against regional elites: time-space analysis of Russia’s and China’s cases

Dina Rosenberg (HSE, with Olga Shvetsova)
Autocratic Health Versus Democratic Health: Different Outcome Variables for Health as a Factor Versus Health as a Right

Guzel Garifullina (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)
Feed a Man for a Day: When Do Incumbents Care about the Future? The Case of Russian Regions
Dmitrii Kofanov (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
Regional Leader Turnover, Investment and Economic Growth: Evidence from Post-Communist Russia, 1991-2014

Discussant: David Szakonyi

13.00 - 14.30 - Lunch

14.30 - 15.40 - Session 2a. Political Support
Chair: David Szakonyi

Elena Sirotkina (HSE), Margarita Zavadskaya (HSE - Saint Petersburg)
How to Get Away with Murder in Russia: Political Support in the Times of Crisis. Evidence from the survey experiment

Hannah Chapman (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
Shoring Up Autocracy: Participatory Technologies and Regime Support in Putin's Russia

Michael Rochlitz (Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, with Nikita Zakharov, Ruben Enikolopov and Koen Schoors)
Does Independent Media Matter in a Non-Democratic Election? Experimental Evidence from Russia

Discussant: John Reuter

14.30 - 15.40 - Session 2b. Economics and Beyond
Chair: Ekaterina Borisova

Pavel Jelnov (Institute of Labour Economics at Leibniz Universität Hannover)
Economics of the Time Zone: Let there Be Light

Olga Popova (Leibniz-Institute, with Milena Nikolova)
Sometimes Your Best Just Ain't Good Enough: The Worldwide Evidence on Well-Being Efficiency

Elodie Douarin (University College London)
Religion as an Insurance against Economic Shocks? Subjective Wellbeing after the 2008 Crisis

Discussant: William Pyle

15.40 - 16.00 - Coffee-break

16.00 - 17.10 - Session 3a. Historical Legacies and Development
Chair: William Pyle

Olga Vasilyeva (Amur State University, with John V.C. Nye)
Religious Discrimination and Modern Productivity: Evidence from the Russian Far East

Asli Cansunar (Duke University)
May You be As Holy as Water: Redistributive Logic of Elite’s Water Provision in Ottoman Istanbul

Ruxi Zhang (Stanford University)
Go West Young Han? The Geopolitics of Mass Resettlement in China

*Discussant: Denis Ivanov*

16.00 - 17.10 - Session 3b. Corruption

*Chair: John Reuter*

*Koen Schoors (Ghent University, with Tom Eeckhout, Kevin Hoefman, and Leonid Polishchuk)*
Measuring revealed corruption with administrative data Evidence from Russia

*Timothy Model (Indiana University)*
Fighting Corruption and Rallying the Entrepreneurial Spirit: How Anti-Corruption Campaigns Affect Entrepreneurship

*Hanna Niczyporuk (New York University)*
Tolerating corruption in democracies: Lessons from the sentiment analysis of Polish Twitter users

*Discussant: Noah Buckley*

17.10 - 17.30 - Coffee-break

17.30 - 18.40 - Session 4a. Problems of economic and political transformation II

*Chair: Anton Kazun*

*Dennis Coates (University of Maryland, with Irina Mirkina, and Vivek Moorthy)*
Regional Economic Freedom in the Russian Federation

*Amanda Zadorian (The New School for Social Research)*
Constructing Competitiveness: Export Diversification and "Oil Dependence” in Russia and Brazil

*Maxim Ananyev (University of California, Los Angeles)*
Political Economy of Corporate Tax Compliance: Theory and Evidence from Firm-Level Connections to Tax Havens

*Discussant: Maria Giulia Silvagni*

17.30 - 18.40 - Session 4b. Propaganda and State-building

*Chair: John Reuter*

*Alessandro Belmonte (IMT Alti Studi Lucca, with Michael Rochlitz)*
Collective Memories, Propaganda and Authoritarian Political Support

*Daniel Thomas (Columbia University)*
Last Gasps: Explaining Autocrats’ Actions in the Face of Regime Insecurity

*Egor Lazarev (Columbia University)*
Laws in Conflict: Legacies of War and Legal Pluralism

*Discussant: Israel Marques*
6th ICSID Conference
Political Economy of Development: Exiting the Middle Income Trap
Moscow, HSE, 11 Myasnitskaya Str., room 518

June 14, 2017 (Wednesday)

09.30 - 10.30 - Invited Speaker: Ben Ross Schneider (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
Middle-Income Trap Politics: Implications for Skill Formation
Chair: Thomas Remington

10.30 - 11.00 - Coffee-break

11.00 - 12.30 - Session 1. Development in Autocracies
Chair: Andrei Yakovlev

David Szakonyi (George Washington University, HSE) and Noah Buckley (HSE)
Autocratic Responsiveness to Public Opinion

John Reuter (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, HSE) and David Szakonyi (George Washington University, HSE)
Elite Defection under Autocracy: Evidence from Russia

Daniil Esaulov (HSE) and Andrey Tkachenko (HSE)
Governors' tenure and contract allocation under low political competition

Discussant: Guzel Garifullina, Richard Doner

12.30 - 13.30 - Lunch

13.30 - 15.00 - Session 2. Economic Development in Russia: Challenges and Perspectives
Chair: Israel Marques

Andrei Yakovlev (HSE, with Lev Freinkman, and Sergei Makarov)
Prerequisites for the Formation of a New Developmental Model in Russian Region: the Case of Tatarstan

Timothy Frye (Columbia University, HSE)
Economic Sanctions and the Rally around the Flag Effect in Russia

Michael Rochlitz (Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich), Anton Kazun (HSE), and Andrei Yakovlev (HSE)
Violent Corporate Raiding in Russia after 2014: From Business Capture to Centralized Corruption?

Discussant: William Pyle, Ben Ross Schneider

15.00 - 15.30 - Coffee-break

15.30 - 16.30 - Session 3. Development of Russian Regions: Historical Legacies and Recent Trends
Chair: William Pyle
Maria Giulia Silvagni (HSE)
Higher literacy skills, better occupation? Evidence from Russia 1897-1926

Ekaterina Borisova (HSE), and Denis Ivanov (HSE, with Andrei Govorun)
Social Capital and Support for the Welfare State in Russia

Discussant: Michael Rochlitz, Joshua Tucker

16.30 - 17.00 - Coffee-break

17.00 - 18.00 - Invited Speaker: Joshua Tucker (New York University, with Grigore Pop-Eleches)
Communism's Shadow: Historical Legacies and Post-Communist Political Attitudes
Chair: Timothy Frye