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Conference program

June 7, 2021 (Monday)

16:00-18:00 – 1.1. Governance

Chair: Timothy Frye

David Szakonyi, (George Washington and HSE University)

Michael Rochlitz (University of Bremen), David Karpa (University of Bremen), Torben Klarl (University of Bremen)
“Authoritarian Innovation”

Olga Gasparyan (Hertie School)
“Local Resource Allocation Choices: Evidence from Topic Models of Russian Public Procurement Contracts”

Thomas Remington (Harvard University, HSE University), Jiwei Qian (National University of Singapore), Svetlana Avdasheva (HSE University)
“Regulating Competition in Digital Marketplaces: A Comparative Perspective”

Discussants: Amanda Zadorian, Quintin Beazer

18:00-18:15 Break

18:15-19:45 – 1.2. Taxes, Transfers, and Finance

Chair: Kyle Marquardt

Arduino Tomasi (LSE), Alberto Parmigiani (London School of Economics)
“A Political Economy of Tax Evasion: Theory and Evidence”

Michal Brzeziński (University of Warsaw), Jan Gromadzki (Institute of Structural Research IBS), Katarzyna Salach (University of Warsaw)
“When Populists Deliver on their Promises: The Electoral Effects of a Large Cash Transfer Program in Poland”
Sarah Wilson Sokhey (UC-Boulder), Amanda Zadorian (HSE University)
“Russia Isn’t a Normal Oil State: Financial Rentierism under Putin”

Discussants: Anton Kazun, David Szakonyi

19:45-20:00 Break

20:30-21:30 – 1.3. Political Elites

Chair: Israel Marques

Ion Marandici (Independent researchers)
“Revisiting the Nomenklatura Capitalism Hypothesis: Evidence from a Novel Dataset on Post-Soviet Oligarchs”

Evgenia Olimpieva (University of Chicago)
“Putin’s Prosecutors: How Law Enforcement Helps Build Authoritarian States”

Ekaterina Paustyan (University of Bremen)
“Exploring Subnational Elite Networks in Authoritarian Regimes: The Case of Belgorod Oblast”

Discussants: Guzel Garifullina, John Reuter
June 8, 2021 (Tuesday)

16:00-18:00 – 2.1. Identity and Gender Norms

Chair: John Reuter

Vladimir Zabolotskiy (University of Bologna, HSE University), Ekaterina Borisova (HSE University), Koen Schoors (Ghent University, HSE University)
“The Agricultural Origins of Gender Norms”

Elodie Douarin (University College London), Julie Litchfield (University of Sussex), Fatlinda Gashi (University of Sussex)
“Gendered Effects of Conflict on Political Participation”

Ruth Carlitz (Tulane University), Valeriya Mechkova (University of Gothenburg)
“Women’s Representation and Gender-Sensitive Responses to the COVID-19 Crisis”

Apurav Bhatiya (University of Warwick)
“Do Enfranchised Immigrants Affect Political Behavior?”

Discussants: Eren Arbatli, Alexei Zakharov

18:00 – 18:15 Break

18:15-20:15 – 2.2. Law and Culture

Chair: Ekaterina Borisova

Marina Dodlova (University of Passau), Stefan Beierl (University of Passau)
“Public Work, Aid Programmes, and Social Capital: Evidence from Malawi”

Krzysztof Krakowski (Collegio Carlo Alberto), Hidayat Ullah Khan (Abbottabad University of Science and Technology), Yuichi Kubota (University of Niigata Prefecture), Takashi Kurosaki (Institute of Economic Research (IER), Hitotsubashi University), Kazuhiro Obayashi (Hitotsubashi University), Hirotaka Ohmura (Shiga University)
“Cultural Diversity and State-Building: Evidence from Pakistan”

Shpend Kursani (Leiden University), Krzysztof Krakowski (Collegio Carlo Alberto)
“Why Do People Use Extra Legal Justice? Experimental Evidence from Kosovo?”
Sultan Mehmood (New Economic School)
“The Impact of Presidential Appointment of Judges: Montesquieu or the Federalists”

Discussants: Irina Levina, Thomas Remington
June 9, 2021 (Wednesday)

16:00-18:00 – 3.1. State and Society

Chair: Michael Rochlitz

Torikai Masatomo (Keio University)

Maria Greve (Kristalova) (University of Groningen), Michael Fritsch (Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena), Michael Wyrwich (University of Groningen)
“Long Term Decline of Regions and the Rise of Populism”

Olga Masyutina (University of Bremen), Ekaterina Paustyan (University of Bremen), Grigory Yakovlev (Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences)
Environmental Politics in Authoritarian Regimes: Waste Management Reform in the Russian Regions

Clement Marcoux (Free University of Berlin)
“The Role of Thinktanks in Domestic Political Processes Outside Liberal Democracies – The Case of Russia”

Discussants: Alexander Libman, Israel Marques

18:00 – 18:15 Break

18:15-20:15 – 3.2. Historical Legacies and Historical Political Economy

Chair: Noah Buckley

Scott Gehlbach (University of Chicago), Paul Castañeda Dower (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Dmitrii Kofanov (University of Barcelona), Steve Nafziger (Williams College)
“Diversity and Conflict: Evidence from Imperial Russia”

Evan Wigton-Jones (Husson University)
“Droughts, Conflict, and the Importance of Democratic Legitimacy: Evidence from Pre-Industrial Europe”

William Pyle (Middlebury College), Timur Natkhov (HSE University)
“The Russia Shock:  Soviet Industry and the Political Effect of Market Liberalization”

**Olga Popova** (Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS), Regensburg), **Vladimir Otrachshenko** (Justus Liebig University Giessen), **Milena Nikolova** (University of Groningen)

“Double-edged sword:  Persistant Effects of Communism on Life Satisfaction”

*Discussants: Timothy Frye, Denis Ivanov*
June 10, 2021 (Thursday)

16:00-18:00 – 4.1. The Media and Public Opinion
Chair: Quintin Beazer

Arseniy Samsonov (UCLA)
“The Fragmentation of Views in a Democracy”

Anton Shirikov (UW-Madison)
“Fake News and the Polarization of Political Beliefs in Non-Democracies: Evidence from Russia”

Anton Kazun (HSE University)
“Can Publicity Change the Behavior of Law? Attracting Attention through the Media as a Defense Tactic in Russian Courts”

Denis Ivanov (HSE University), Alexei Zakharov (HSE University)
“Paternalism, Fake News and Support for Censorship in the Context of COVID-19”

Discussants: Noah Buckley, Sarah Wilson Sokhey

18:00-18:15 Break

18:15-20:15 – 4.2. Political Behavior
Chair: Andrei Yakovlev

Israel Marques (HSE University), Kirill Chmell (HSE University), Mikhail Mironiuk (HSE University), Dina Rosenberg (HSE University), Alexey Turobov (HSE University), V. Babayan – (HSE University)
“Privacy versus Security in Trying Times: Evidence from Russian Public Opinion”

Noah Buckley (Trinity and HSE University)
“A Watched Pot Boiling: Street Action and Public Opinion in Authoritarian Russia”

Cleo O’Brien-Udry (Yale University)
“Aid, Blame, and Backlash: The Political Economy of Unpopular Aid”

Boris Ginzburg (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)
“Collective Action, Identity, and Trust: Experimental Evidence”

Discussants: Kyle Marquardt, Michael Rochlitz