



Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg
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HWK Postdoc Program Workshop
**The future of social research in
and on Russia and Ukraine**
Delmenhorst, September 19-21, 2022

Final Program

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Program

Monday, 19. September 2022

- 16:00 *Arrival at the HWK,
Coffee and snacks*
- 16:30-18:00 Keynote + Discussion
Volodymyr Paniotto (Kyiv International Institute of Sociology)
Challenges of public opinion surveys in Ukraine under conditions of war
- 18:30 *Dinner at a Restaurant in Delmenhorst (tba)*

Tuesday, 20. September 2022

- 9:00-10:45 Panel 1: How to study political attitudes during a war?
Stepan Goncharov:
Challenges of survey research in Russia
Margarita Zavadskaya:
Democracy in Exile: Estimating the Capacity for Collective Action among Russian Anti-War Migrants. Evidence from a Panel Survey
Jeremy Morris:
Political ethnography and Russian studies in a time of conflict
Svetlana Erpyleva, Oleg Zhuravlev & Volodymyr Ishchenko:
How do Russians perceive the war in Ukraine?
- 10:45-11:00 *Coffee break*
- 11:00-12:30 Panel 2: Political contention in the Donbas and beyond
Nikolaus von Twickel:
“People’s Republics” – a blueprint for Russian political control over Ukrainian regions?
Fabian Burkhardt:
Studying passportization and electronic voting in the Donbas from the ground floor: A research note
Ivan Gomza:
Populism and Vaccine Hesitancy amidst the Pandemic, European Integration, and War: Some Insights from Ukraine
Cindy Wittke:
Challenges of conducting empirical research on International Law before and after 24 February 2022 – Laboratories,

experiments, and discourses of International Law in the post-Soviet space

12:30-14:00 *Lunch break*

14:00-15:30 Panel 3: Media and Memory

Aliaksandr Herasimenka:

Studying authoritarian communication with computational techniques

Mariëlle Wijermars:

Redefining 'Russian' social media geographies

Félix Krawatzek:

The future of research on memory in Russia

15:30-16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00-17:15 Discussion: The future of the field

Ben Noble:

Politicised knowledge and knowledge of politics: Constraints on the study of Russian politics following the February 2022 invasion of Ukraine

Alexander Libman:

Can Russia (and China) Studies Escape the Road to the New Sovietology?

Regina Smyth:

Plus ça change: Getting real about the evolution of Russian studies after 1991

17:15-18:00 Take a walk, relax, explore Delmenhorst...

18:00-20:00 Dinner at the HWK

Wednesday, 21. September 2022

9:00-10:30 Panel 4: Policy

Michael Richter:

Between grand visions and political realities – EU anti-corruption policy advice in Ukraine

Vladimir Gel'man:

The politics of bad governance in Russia

Andrei Yakovlev:

'Pockets of efficiency' in Russia: can they provide influence on future development after the collapse of the authoritarian regime?

10:30-11:00 *Coffee break*

- 11:00-12:30 Panel 5: Elites and elite-driven projects
Olga Masyutina:
Local elite replacement via 'legal' repression in Russia
Ekaterina Paustyan:
Subnational elite networks and turnover in authoritarian regimes: the case of Russian regions
Ekaterina Mikhailova:
Festival with War-Flavour: Staging Slavic Unity at the Ukraine-Russia-Belarus Border
- 12:30-14:00 *Lunch break*
- 14:00-15:30 Panel 6: Protest and social movements
Oksana Dutchak:
(Dis)organized and (in)formalized: Ukrainian female reproductive labor in local and transnational care chains
Aleksandra Rumiantseva:
Why do local authorities allow dissent in autocracies? Evidence from 2017-2018 Navalny protests in Russia
Katerina Tertychnaya:
Preventive repression in Russia: Evidence from 10 years of protest data (2011-21)
Emma Mateo:
Studying Ukrainian protest and grassroots mobilisation in the context of war
- 15:30-16:00 *Coffee break*
- 16:00-17:00 Concluding discussion: How to sustain institutional cooperation?
Input: Michael Rochlitz
- 18:00 Dinner in Bremen or Delmenhorst (at participants' expense, suggestion to be made during workshop)