



Conference: “Russia and the West”

Cold Peace? The Next Stage of EU-Russia-Relations

Thursday, 22 April 2021

Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities and ZOOM

Preliminary Program as of 1 March

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9:30 – 10:00

Registration. Coffee, Snacks

10:00 – 10:15

Opening / Welcome: **Marieluise Beck & Ralf Fücks**, Center for Liberal Modernity, Berlin

10:15 – 11:30

Session One: The End of Authoritarian Stability? Social and political dynamics in the post-Soviet space (Belarus, Caucasus, Central Asia, Russia). How should the EU respond?

Input:

Jerzy Pomianowski European Endowment for Democracy (EED), Brussels

Susan Stewart German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin

Vladislav Inozemtsev Center for Post-Industrial Society Studies, Moscow

Artyom Shraibman Political analyst, Minsk

Moderation:

Gwendolyn Sasse Centre for East European and International Studies, Berlin

11:30 – 11:45 Coffee break

11:45 – 13:00

Session Two: Frozen Politics, Changing Society? A closer look at Russia

Introductory statement:

Mikhail Khodorkovsky Open Russia

Comments:

Irina Sherbakova Memorial Society, Moscow

Lev Gudkov Levada Center, Moscow

Celeste Wallander U.S.-Russia Foundation

Moderation:

Lilia Shevtsova Liberal Mission Foundation, Moscow

13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch break*

14:00 – 15:15

Session Three: Russia, the EU and Climate Change: A new area of conflict or a chance for cooperation?

Markus Ederer Ambassador of the European Union to Russia, Moscow (tbc)

Yevgeni Gontmakher “European Dialogue” expert group, Moscow

Michael Harms Committee on Eastern European Economic Relations, Berlin (tbc)

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Moderation:

Ralf Fücks Center of Liberal Modernity, Berlin

15:15 – 15:30 *Coffee break*

15:30 – 17:00

Session Four: The Russia Policy of the Biden Administration – An opportunity for better transatlantic cooperation?

Fiona Hill Center on the United States and Europe, Brookings Institution (tbc)

Vladimir Kara-Murza Boris Nemtsov Foundation for Freedom (tbc)

Marie Mendras School of International Affairs, Sciences Po University, Paris

Karen Donfried German Marshall Fund, Washington DC (tbc)

Moderation:

Edward Lucas Center for European Policy Analysis, London

17:00

Closing remarks:

Ralf Fücks Center for Liberal Modernity, Berlin

19:00 – 20:30

Public Evening Event: Cold Peace? The Next Stage of EU-Russia-Relations

Inputs:

Mikhail Khodorkovsky Open Russia (tbc)

Norbert Röttgen, Chairman of the Bundestag’s Foreign Affairs Committee, Berlin (tbc)

Franziska Brantner Spokesperson European Policy, Green Party Group, Bundestag

Marieluise Beck Center for Liberal Modernity, Berlin

Opening & Moderation:

Ralf Fücks Center for Liberal Modernity, Berlin

Languages: English/ Russian (conference), German/Russian/English (public discussion)