



Zentrum  
Liberales  
Moderne

## 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 3 February

<https://ruslandverstehen.libmod.de/ruslandkonferenz2021-programm/>

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 (tbc)  
**Susan Stewart** German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin (tbc)  
**Vladislav Inozemtsev** Center for Post-Industrial Society Studies, Moscow (tbc)  
**Artyom Shraibman** Political analyst, Minsk (tbc)

Moderation:

**Gwendolyn Sasse** Centre for East European and International Studies, Berlin (tbc)

*11:30 – 11:45 Coffee break*

11:45 – 13:00

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

Keynote Speech:

**Mikhail Khodorkovsky** Open Russia

Comments:

**Irina Sherbakova** Memorial Society, Moscow (tbc)  
**Lev Gudkov** Levada Center, Moscow (tbc)  
**Celeste Wallander** U.S.-Russia Foundation (tbc)

Moderation:

**Lilia Shevtsova** Liberal Mission Foundation, Moscow (tbc)

*13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break*

14:00 – 15:15

Session Three: 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)

**Michael McFaul** Freeman Spogli Institute for Internat. Studies, Stanford University (tbc)

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

**Marie Mendras** School of International Affairs, Sciences Po University, Paris (tbc)

Moderation:

**Edward Lucas** Center for European Policy Analysis, London (tbc)

*15:15 – 15:30 Coffee break*

15:30 – 17:00

Session Four: 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)

**Tatiana Mitrova** Director of the SKOLKOVO Energy Centre (tbc)

**Sergei Guriev** Sciences Po, Department of Economics, Paris (tbc)

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

Moderation:

**Ralf Fücks** Center of Liberal Modernity, Berlin

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

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

**Franziska Brantner** Spokesperson European Policy, Green Party Group, Bundestag (tbc)

**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)