



## 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 9 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

**Yevgeni Gontmakher** “European Dialogue” expert group, Moscow

**Tatiana Lanshina** Center for Economic Modelling of Energy and Environment, Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration, Moscow

**Michael Harms** German Eastern Business Association, Berlin

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

**Vladimir Kara-Murza** Boris Nemtsov Foundation for Freedom

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

**Wolfgang Ischinger** Munich Security Conference (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:

**Vladimir Kara-Murza** Boris Nemtsov Foundation for Freedom

**Johann Wadephul** Deputy Chairman of the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group for Foreign Affairs, Defence Policy and Council of Europe, Bundestag

**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)