



Programme for the International Discussion Platform 'Baltic Platform' 'The Greater Baltic Region: Humanitarian Measurements in the Changing World'

Event date: 17 -18 December 2024
Location St Petersburg University

University Campus 'Mikhailovskaya Dacha', 109, Peterhof Route

St Petersburg, Russian Federation

17 December 2024 (Tuesday)	
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9:30am - 10am	Conference Hall 1301
	Delegates registration Welcome coffee
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10am - 10:15am	Welcome address
	KROPACHEV Nikolay – Rector of St Petersburg University
	Conference Hall 1301
10:15am - 11:45am	Plenary Humanitarian Cooperation in the Context of Confrontation: Challenges, Opportunities, and Alternatives.
	Topics : interstate, interregional, interuniversity scientific, cultural, educational cooperation. Potential new formats of cooperation. Prospects of renewed contacts and relations in culture, education, and science. Key questions and discussion topics:
	 which channels of communication among civil society representatives remain open and how can they be activated? what type of venues (virtual and geographical) can be created for communication among those interested in reducing
	and restoring dialogue among civil society groups? — what is the potential for humanitarian cooperation, preservation of human contacts, interaction of representatives of the non-governmental sector in the region? — is it possible to restore social and cultural ties against a background of intensive confrontation?
	Moderator:
	NOVIKOVA Irina
	Doctor of Historical Sciences, Professor of the Department of European Studies, Dean of the Faculty of

International Relations

	of St Petersburg University
	Speakers:
	LAUGHLAND John – Professor of Political Science and History, Catholic Institute of Vendee BABAEV Kirill – Director of the Institute of China and Modern Asia of the Russian Academy of Sciences BAKRI Connie Rahakudini – Professor at the Department of World Politics, St Petersburg University ZHUKOVSKY Igor – PhD, Senior Researcher at the Center for the Study of Strategic Planning, IMEMO of the Russian Academy of Sciences SIMONS Gregory – Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Turiba GUSEV Igor – Historian, TV journalist, director, publicist and publisher BELOZEROV Vasiliy – Doctor of Political Sciences, Professor, Head of the Department of Political Science, Moscow State Linguistic University, editor-in-chief of the journal "Bulletin of the Moscow State Linguistic University. Social Sciences" RUSAKOVICH Andrei – Doctor of Historical Sciences, Professor, Department of Eurasian Studies, Belarusian State University MARKUSHINA Natalia – Professor of the Department of World Politics, Faculty of International Relations, St Petersburg University
11:45am - 12pm	Coffee break
12am - 1:30pm	Auditorium 2222
	Section 1
	Humanitarian Dialogue between the West and the East in the context of global turbulence
	Topics: opportunities for dialogue on humanitarian issues; a list of topics for this dialogue and possible directions for its development. Key questions and discussion topics: — positions of Russia, the West and the East on humanitarian dialogue in the current geopolitical environment; — is it possible to stop military escalation in the Greater Baltic region by 'soft power' instruments? — which channels of communication among civil society representatives remain open and how can they be activated?
	Moderator:
	VOITOLOVSKY Feodor
	Corresponding Member of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Doctor of Political Sciences, Professor of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Director of The Institute of World Economy and International Relations of the Russian Academy of Sciences
	Speakers:
	OFITSEROF-BELSKIY Dmitry — Ph.D., Senior Researcher at the Center for the Study of Strategic Planning, Head of the Group of Integrated Studies of the Baltic Region, IMEMO of the Russian Academy of Sciences KENNY Jose Maria — Director of the Microplastics Research Center AULASENKA Ihar — Associate Professor of the Department of International Relations, Belarusian State University
	MALOSSE Henri – Former President of the European Economic and Social Committee KOTOV Alexander – Ph.D. in Economics, Leading Researcher at the Department of Country Studies, Head of the Department. the sector of the German economy of the Center for German Studies, IE of the Russian Academy of Sciences WISNIEWSKI Maciej – Independent journalist, political scientist and public figure PISKORSKI Mateusz – Politician, teacher, political scientist, publicist and journalist, deputy of the Sejm of the Fifth convocation
12am - 1:30pm	Conference Hall 1301
	Section 2
	The Ethic and Moral in Modern Law: International and National Aspects
	Topics: transformation of 'good morals' as the basis of civil and international law; changes in morals and ethics as an impetus for the transformation of law, including international law. Key questions and discussion topics:
	 transformation of 'good morals' as the basis of civil and international law; political interpretations of international humanitarian law as a cause of the degradation of international law.

	Moderator:
	RUDOKVAS Anton
	Doctor of Law, Professor, Acting Head of the Department of Civil Law, Faculty of Law, St Petersburg University; Director of the Gabriele Crespi Regizzi Center for Comparative Law, St Petersburg University
	Speakers:
	HAMZA Gabor – Member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, an Honored Professor, University of Etwesha Loranda MIKHALIOVA Tatsiana – Associate professor at the Faculty of International Relations, Belarusian State
	University
	LAUGHLAND John – Professor of political Science and History, Catholic Institute of Vendee KALININ Sergey – deputy Dean for Research, Faculty of Law, Belarusian State University POLDNIKOV Dmitry – Professor of the Department of Theory of Law and Comparative Law, Faculty of International Law, MGIMO University of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia PRASHANT Kumar – President of the Bar Association of India
	MOHAMED Hassanein – Member of the Bar Association of Egypt, Partner in the ElAttar Law Firm
2pm - 3pm	Lunch
2 4 20	Auditorium 2222
3pm - 4:30pm	Section 3
	Preserving a shared heritage: Renaissance and Enlightenment models vs. postmodern and metamodern concepts
	Topics : the problem of heritage preservation under the dominance of postmodernist and metamodernist concepts in culture; the problem of destruction of cultural and historical heritage in order to achieve short-term political goals of the ruling elites. Key questions and discussion topics:
	- what are criteria relevant today for defining cultural heritage?
	- prospects and opportunities for the preservation of historic and cultural heritage: from digitisation to relocation of objects;
	- is a dialogue on the development of agreements on the preservation of historical and cultural heritage possible?
	Moderator:
	SHMONIN Dmitry
	Doctor of Philosophy, Professor, Director of the Institute of Theology of St Petersburg University, Editor-inchief of the journal "Questions of theology", member of the Commission for the Development of Theological, Religious and Spiritual and Moral Education of the Council for Interaction with Religious Associations under the President of the Russian Federation Federations
	Speakers:
	KOPRIVICA Caslav – Doctor of Philosophy, Professor at the Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade PAVLOVA Mariia – PhD in History, Senior Researcher at the Center for the Study of Strategic Planning, The Institute of World Economy and International Relations of the Russian Academy of Sciences DERETIC Irina – Doctor of Philosophy, Professor of the Department of Philosophy, University of Belgrade
4:30pm - 5pm	Conference Hall 1301
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