



Urban Activism and the Development of Civil Society in the Russian Federation

Workshop Program
October 12-13, 2018

Indiana University Europe Gateway
Gneisenaustraße 27, 10961 Berlin, Germany

All sessions will take place in room *Treptow*, while all coffee breaks and lunches will be served in the *Café*.

Friday, October 12

9:15 Gather/Coffee and Informal Introductions

9:30 Welcome and Introductions

10:00 - 11:45 Panel 1 – Activist Citizens, Civil Society, and Protests: Frameworks to Understand Urban Activism

Chair: Andrei Semenov (SI RAS – FCTAS RAS)

Discussants: Samuel Greene (Kings College, London)

Karine Clément (Independent Scholar, Paris)

Carola S. Neugebauer (RWTH Aachen University)

Jeremy Morris (Aarhus University), *The Incoherent State and Pre-Civil Society in Russia*

Irina Olimpieva (Center for Independent Social Research, St. Petersburg and USA), *Trade Unions and Labor Protest: The Evolution of the Russian Labor Movement 2000-2018*

Leonid Polishchuk (Uppsala University), *Governments and Civil Society: Evidence from Russian Cities*

Regina Smyth (Indiana University), *A Brief Reflection on the Study of Urban Protest in the Russian Federation*

11:45 – 12:45 Lunch: Discussion by Carola S. Neugebauer (RWTH Aachen University)

1:00 – 2:30 Panel 2 – Structure and Agency: Legacies, Opportunities, and Global Processes
Chair: Samuel Greene, (Kings College, London)
Discussants: Robert Orttung (George Washington University)
Andrei Semenov (SI RAS – FCTAS RAS)

Elya Minaeva (SI RAS – FCTAS RAS), *The Involvement of Foreign Experts in The Urban Planning Processes: Political Conditions and Effects*

Stephen Crowley (Oberlin College), *Global Cities versus Monotowns: The Challenge of Urban Development in Russia*

Jan Matti Dollbaum (Bremen University), *When Do Nation-wide Protests Spur Local Activism: Arguments from Russian Regions*

3:00 - 4:30 Panel 3, Identities, Communication, and Collective Action
Chair: Jeremy Morris (Aarhus University)
Discussants: Paul Goode (University of Bath)
Oksana Zaporozhets (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

Meagan Todd (Indiana University), *Geographies of Smart Islam in Moscow, Russia*

Guzel Yusupova (Durham University), *Connective Action Advancing (Inter-) Ethnic Solidarity: Resistance to the Demotion of Minority Languages in Russia*

Katie Stewart (Knox College), *Cultural Production as Activism: National Theaters, Orchestras, and Clubs in Russia's Regional Capitals*

Ivan Gololobov (University of Bath), *Imagining Working Class in Russian Popular Culture: Reigniting or Pacifying the Protest?*

4:30-4:45 Break

4:45-5:30 First Day Reflections: Empirical Lessons and Theoretic Insights
Discussion Leader: Karine Clément (Independent Scholar, Paris)

7:00 Dinner, Restaurant Doldenmädel
Mehrindamm 80, 10965 Berlin

Saturday, October 13

9:00 Gather/Coffee

9:15 - 11:00 Panel 5, Neoliberal Reform: The Political Economy of Protest

Chair: Stephen Crowley (Oberlin College)

Discussants: Leonid Polishchuk (Uppsala University)

Stas Gorelik (George Washington University)

Andrei Semenov (SI RAS – FCTAS RAS), *Grassroots Mobilization and Urban Politics in Russia*

Daniel Muck (Indiana University), *De Facto Property Rights and Opposition to the Moscow Housing Renovation Policy*

Timothy Model (Indiana University), *Corruption Intolerance and Political Activism*

11:00 – 11:15 Break

11:00 - 12:45 Panel 6, Political Linkages: Within System and Out-of-System Participation

Chair: Irina Olimpieva (CISR and Aleksanteri Institute)

Discussants: Regina Smyth (Indiana University)

Tatiana Golova (ZiOS, Berlin)

Anna Zhelnina (SI RAS – FCTAS RAS), *Renovation and Housing Activism in Russia*

Anna Dekalchuk and Ivan Grigoriev (Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg), *Generational Belonging and the Transition to Political Activism*

Katerina Tertychnaya (University College, London), *Protests and Voter Defections in Electoral Autocracies: Evidence from Russia*

Alexander Rubin (Higher School of Economics, Moscow), *Making Democracy Work: A Case of Moscow Residents*

1:00 – 2:45 Lunch and Wrap-up Session – What We Have Learned and Next Steps

Discussion Leaders: Jeremy Morris (Aarhus University)

Andrei Semenov (SI RAS)

Regina Smyth (Indiana University)

2:45-3:00 Break

3:00 – 5:00 Strategies for Publication, Discussion

Jennika Baines (Indiana University Press)

Robert Orttung (George Washington University)

**7:00 Dinner, Restaurant Tomasa Villa Kreuzberg
Kreuzbergstraße 62, 10965 Berlin**

This Workshop has been made possible through a generous grant from The U.S. Russia Foundation; contributions from the Russian Studies Workshop at Indiana University, funded by a grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York; the Office of the Vice President for International Affairs (OVPIA), Indiana University; the Hutton Honors College, Indiana University; the Department of Political Science, Indiana University; and the Ostrom Workshop, Indiana University.