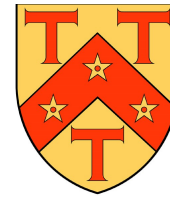




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## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

THURSDAY MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>

9:00 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION & COFFEE  
9:30 OPENING REMARKS

9:40 KEYNOTE ADDRESS  
Professor Richard Sakwa, *University of Kent*

10:30 CONTRASTING CONCEPTIONS OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL ORDER  
Professor Rosemary Foot, *University of Oxford*  
Professor Neil MacFarlane, *University of Oxford*  
Ian Bond, *Centre for European Reform*  
Chair: Professor Roy Allison, *University of Oxford*

11:30 COFFEE BREAK

12:00 A NEW STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP?  
SINO-RUSSIAN RELATIONS UNDER XI & PUTIN  
Dr. Natasha Kuhrt, *King's College London*  
Dr. David Lewis, *University of Exeter*  
Dr. James Henderson, *Oxford Energy Institute*  
Chair: Professor Rosemary Foot, *University of Oxford*

13:00 LUNCH BREAK

14:15 GEOPOLITICAL REALITIES IN CENTRAL ASIA  
Professor Roy Allison, *University of Oxford*  
Dr. Anna Matveeva, *King's College*  
Dr. Alisher Ikhamov, *SOAS*  
Chair: Professor Neil MacFarlane, *University of Oxford*

15:15 COFFEE BREAK

15:45 DOMESTIC DRIVERS OF FOREIGN POLICY  
Dr. Peter Duncan, *UCL School of Slavonic & East European Studies*  
Professor Paul Chaisty, *University of Oxford*  
Dr. Alexander Kupatadze, *King's College London*  
Chair: Samuel Ramani, *University of Oxford*

16:45 THE FUTURE OF TRANSATLANTIC  
COOPERATION  
Professor Christopher Davis, *University of Oxford*  
Dr. Sam Greene, *King's College London*  
Professor Richard Sakwa, *University of Kent*  
Chair: Dr. Julie Newton, *University of Oxford*

17:45 CONCLUDING REMARKS

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## GRADUATE STUDENT CONFERENCE PROGRAMME FRIDAY MAY 26TH

**9:00 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

**9:30 OPENING REMARKS**

**9:40 KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**Professor Alexander Lukin**, *Higher School of Economics*

**10:30 RUSSIA'S SHIFTING RELATIONS WITH ITS NEAR NEIGHBOURS**

**Joseph Heath**, *University of Oxford*, "Minority Rights in Eastern Europe: How Slovakia's Rusyns can help Ukraine with the E.U."

**Kacper Wancyzk**, *University of Oxford*, "Russian-Belarusian economic relations after 2014 – change or continuity?"

**Thomas Brewis**, *University of Oxford*, "To Forge a Nation? Narratives Behind Russian Passportization in the Near Abroad"

Chair: **Joe Barnes**, *University of Oxford*

**11:30 BREAK**

**11:45 THE DRIVERS OF RUSSIA'S POST-2008 MILITARY ADVENTURISM**

**Connor Taylor**, *University of Oxford*, "Russia as a Great Power in the Middle East: How Status Concerns Drive Moscow's Assertiveness in Syria and Yemen"

**Joana Borges-Moron**, *University of Oxford*, "Status and Russia's Military Interventionism, a Comparison of Georgia and Ukraine"

**Ivan Klyzycz**, *University of Glasgow*, "Russia's Normative Dependency and the War on Terror"

Chair: **Samuel Ramani**, *University of Oxford*

**12:45 LUNCH BREAK**

**13:45 UNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM WEBINAR**

**Samuel Ramani**, *University of Oxford*, "Russia's Responses to Popular Revolutions in the Middle East: An Analysis of the Kremlin's Escalating Reactions to Mass Protests from the Arab Spring to Syria"

**Benjamin Rimland**, *University of Oxford*, "The Northern Territories Dispute – Dimming Prospects for Swift Resolution"

**Jack Stein**, *Columbia University*, "Rivalry in the East: Chinese Influence on Russian Military Reform Since 2008"

**Nicole Grajewski**, *University of Oxford*, "Material & Perceptive Drivers of Russia's Great Power Assertion in the Arctic"

**Anatoly Mateiko**, *University of Oxford*, "The English School Meets the Cognitive Revolution: A Theoretical Discussion of Russia's Perception of Threats from State Actors (the case of NATO)"

**15:00 BREAK**

**15:15 CLASHING ALLIANCE NETWORKS IN THE SOUTH CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA**

**Kaneshko Sangar**, *University College London*, "From Normalization of Relations to the Integration of SREB and EEU"

**Clemence Lize**, *London School of Economics*, "China's interest in the Central Asian Natural Gas Pipeline for its Energy Security and Diplomatic Strategy"

**Mirbahram Azimbayli**, *University of Oxford*, "Azerbaijan-Russia relations after 2008"

**Boris Ajeganov**, *London School of Economics*, "The European Union in the South Caucasus: What Russia Won't, What China Can't"

Chair: **Nicole Grajewski**, *University of Oxford*

**16:30 RUSSIA IN A CHANGING WORLD ORDER**

**Mher Sahakyan**, *Nanjing University*, "Rethinking the Strategy of Russia's Return to Global Big Policy"

**Maksim Kulaev**, *University of Tartu*, "Challenge to Stability Inside & Abroad: Internalization of the International Factors in the Russian Discourse"

**Vasif Huseynov**, *University of Göttingen*, "Russia's Shrinking Sphere of Influence"

Chair: **Kyle Walter**, *University of Oxford*

**17:30 CONCLUDING REMARKS**