

Crises and Conflicts in Eastern Europe – Questions, Risks, Perspectives

Closing Conference
of the LOEWE Research Cluster
„Regions of Conflicts in Eastern Europe“

Webex-Room
December 3, 2020

PROGRAM



09:00–09:30

OPENING and WELCOME

followed by an introductory lecture on:

Typologies of cultural and societal conflicts in Eastern Europe

Monika Wingender (Giessen) / Peter Haslinger (Marburg/Giessen)

Chair: **Orysia Demska** (Kyiv)

09:30–10:30

KEYNOTE LECTURE by Ulrich Schmid (St. Gallen):

The weaponization of cultural theories. The narrative basis of the conflicts in Ukraine, Poland, Belarus and Nagorno-Karabakh

Comment by Valeriya Korablyova (Prague)

10:30–10:45

Break

Chair: **Valeriya Korablyova** (Prague)

10:45–12:20

Oleksandr Chertenko (Giessen): *Inventing a Non-Noble Savage. The Topos of "Our Donbass" in Ukrainian Prose on the War in Eastern Ukraine*

Wilfried Jilge (Berlin/Leipzig): *Conflict in Ukraine and Minsk Agreements*

Michael Hess (Giessen): *The state of the Steppe: Conflicting accounts of history in the 550th anniversary gala of Kazakh statehood*

12:20–12:30

Summary by Monika Wingender (Giessen)

12:30–13:30

Lunch Break

Chair: **Tatiana Kyselova** (Kyiv)

13:30–14:30

KEYNOTE LECTURE by Andrey Makarychev (Tartu):

Precarious Sovereignty, Performative Diplomacy: a Deconstructive Study of Russian Foreign Policy

Comment by Andrea Gawrich (Giessen)

14:30–14:45

Break

Chair: **Gelinada Grinchenko** (Kharkiv)

14:45–15:45

Tetiana Maliarenko (Odessa/Giessen): *Transnistria writ large?*

The DPR and LPR in the context of Russia's neighbourhood policy

Andreas Langenohl (Giessen): *Beyond Representation: Elections, Referenda and the Symbolic Processing of Conflicts*

15:45–16:00

Summary by Peter Haslinger (Marburg/Giessen)

16:00–17:00

Break

17:00–18:30

PANEL DISCUSSION

„Europa und sein Osten: gesellschaftliche Konflikte und geopolitische Bruchlinien (Belarus, Ukraine, Kaukasus)“