

Glasgow-McGill Social Sciences Research Workshop

1-2 February 2016

Melville Room, Gilbert Scott Building

Day 1: Monday 1 February 2016

- 9:15 AM Tea/coffee available
- 9.30 AM Introductions and Workshop Aims: Prof. David Fearn, International Dean (UoG); Dr Clare McManus (UoG); & Prof. Juliet Johnson (McGill)
- 10.00 AM Session 1: Short presentations of current/planned research projects
- 12:00 PM Welcome lunch
- 13.00 PM Official Welcome by Professor Anne Anderson (Vice Principal and Head of College of Social Sciences, University of Glasgow)
- 2:00 PM Session 2: Short presentations of current/planned research projects
- 3:30 PM Coffee break
- 4:00 PM Session 3: Short presentations of current/planned research projects
- 5:00 PM End of day's sessions
- 7:00 PM Official Workshop Dinner [The Bothy]

Day 2: Tuesday 2 February 2016

- 9:30 AM Session 4: Short presentations of current/planned research projects
- 10:30 AM Coffee break
- 11:00 AM Session 5: Discussions on research bridge-building
- 12:30 PM Lunch
- 2:00 PM Informal specialised meetings (or tour of the university)
- 3.00 PM Free time (or informal specialised meetings may continue)
- 6.00 PM Informal Farewell Dinner [Oran Mor]

This workshop brings together researchers from the Faculty of Arts (McGill University); the Montréal European Union Center of Excellence (Université de Montréal & McGill University); the School of Social & Political Sciences (University of Glasgow); and the Centre for Russian, Central & East European Studies (University of Glasgow). It is envisaged that the workshop will bring about closer research collaboration between academic colleagues in Glasgow and Montréal.

This event is funded by the College of Social Sciences, University of Glasgow; Centre for Russian, Central & East European Studies, University of Glasgow; and McGill University.

Schedule of Presenters

Day 1: Monday 1 February 2016

10:00 AM	Prof. David Smith (UoG)
10:15 AM	Prof. Juliet Johnson (McGill)
10:30 AM	Dr Myrto Tsakatika (UoG)
10:45 AM	Skye Miner (PhD student, McGill)
11:00 AM	Prof. Satnam Virdee (UoG)
11.15 AM	Prof. Jacob Levy (McGill)
11.30 AM	Dr Craig Smith (UoG)
11.45 AM	Prof. John Hall (McGill)
2.00 PM	Prof. Tassos Anastassiadis (McGill)
2.15 PM	Dr Alistair Fraser (UoG)
2.30 PM	David Alexander (PhD student, Glasgow)
2.45 PM	Elisabeth (Sophie) Badenhoop (PhD student, Glasgow)
3.00 PM	Prof. Brian Girvin (UoG)
3.15 PM	Dr Ammon Cheskin (UoG)
4.00 PM	Prof. Magdalena Dembinska (Université de Montréal)
4.15 PM	Dr Brian Fogarty (UoG)
4.30 PM	Dr Gavin Slade (UoG)
4.45 PM	Dr Adrian Florea (UoG)

Day 2: Tuesday 2 February 2016

9.30 AM	Dr Julien Danero Iglesias (UoG)
9.45 AM	Konstantinos Alpidis (PhD student, UoG)
10.00 AM	Virginie Lasnier (PhD student, McGill)
10.15 AM	Dr Eamonn Butler (UoG)

Other participants

Professor Richard Berry (Head of Central & East European Studies, School of Social & Political Sciences; Dean of Graduate Studies, College of Social Sciences; & Director of Centre for Russian, Central and East European Studies)

Professor Lauren McLaren (Head of Politics, School of Social & Political Sciences, UoG)

Mr Neil Davidson (Sociology, School of Social & Political Sciences)

Dr Maria Fletcher (School of Law, UoG)

Dr Clare McManus (International Lead, College of Social Sciences; & Co-Director of Centre for Russian, Central & East European Studies)

Dr Judit Molnar Sansum (Research Associate, Central & East European Studies)

Dr Federica Prina (Research Associate, Central & East European Studies)

Fanni Gyurko (PhD student Glasgow CEES)

Instructions for Presenters

- 1) You are asked to offer a short presentation on the range of your current research interests and this may include future research plans.
- 2) Each presentation will last between 10-15mins.
- 3) There may be time for one or two questions after your presentation but it is envisaged that much of the discussion over identifying areas for research collaboration between individuals and broader research synergies between Glasgow and McGill will take place in the Bridge-Building session on Tuesday, and over the course of the 2-day workshop during the coffee breaks/lunches/dinners.
- 4) It would be desirable given the large number of presentations taking place if each presenter could make available a brief handout of their intended presentation. An electronic copy of this handout should be emailed to Toni.ONeill@glasgow.ac.uk no later than Friday 22 January 2016.

Workshop Lunches/Dinners

If attendees have any special dietary requirements for the lunches (12-2pm) on Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd February **please let Ms Toni O'Neill know** by contacting her on this email address, Toni.ONeill@glasgow.ac.uk , **no later than Friday 22 January 2016.**

All Workshop attendees are invited to the **Official Workshop dinner with the McGill/Montréal guests on Monday evening at 7pm** (1st Feb) and to the **more informal farewell dinner on Tuesday evening at 6pm** (2nd Feb). Both venues are still being confirmed. All University of Glasgow attendees **should RSVP their intention to come to NONE, ONE or BOTH of these dinners to Ms Toni O'Neill as above again no later than Friday 22 January.**

Research Interests of Presenters

McGill University / Université de Montréal

Tassos Anastassiadis (Professor of History) <http://www.mcgill.ca/history/anastassios-tassos-anastassiadis> Research areas: interests lie with the study of transnational networks of activists (religious and educational) and their role in institutional change and state formation, especially with regard to Greece within its Balkan and Mediterranean context in the modern era.

Magdalena Dembinska (Associate Professor of Political Science, Université de Montréal) <http://en.pol.umontreal.ca/departement-directory/vue/dembinska-magdalena/> Research areas: She specializes in comparative politics, and the interdisciplinary field of ethnic politics. Her research agenda focuses on identity politics, ethnic conflicts, interethnic reconciliation and integration in central Europe and post-Soviet countries.

John Hall (Professor of Sociology) <https://www.mcgill.ca/sociology/faculty/hall> Research areas: Nations, states and empires; nationalism and war; the economic consequences of the size of nations; sociological theory.

Juliet Johnson (Professor of Political Science, and McGill Director of the European Union Centre of Excellence Montréal) <https://www.mcgill.ca/politicalscience/faculty/johnson> Research areas: Politics of money & identity in post-communist Europe.

Virginie Lasnier (PhD student, McGill political science) <http://www.centreurope-montreal.ca/en/presentation/team/coordinator/> Research areas: social movements and demobilization processes in Eastern Europe and in the post-Soviet region.

Jacob Levy (Professor of Political Science) <https://www.mcgill.ca/politicalscience/faculty/levy> Research areas: In contemporary normative political theory: multiculturalism, nationalism, liberalism, pluralism, theories of justice, non-ideal theory. In the history of political thought: medieval and early modern thought, especially the French, Scottish, and American Enlightenments and the history of constitutionalist and liberal thought. In legal and constitutional theory: rights of indigenous peoples, federalism, choice of law and conflicts of laws, freedom of association, religious freedom, contract, analytic jurisprudence, legal pluralism.

Skye Miner (PhD student, McGill sociology) <http://www.mcgill.ca/sociology/graduatestudents/phd/> Research areas: gender and reproductive politics in the European Union.

Hudson Meadwell (McGill Dean of Faculty of Arts and Professor of Political Science) <https://www.mcgill.ca/politicalscience/faculty/meadwell> Research areas: Nations and Nationalism; European Politics; European Political Development; Comparative Political Theory; Political Methodology; Philosophy of Social Science.

University of Glasgow

David Alexander (PhD student, Glasgow politics)

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/research/students/davidalisdairalexander/> Research areas: European Union politics, the legislative activity of parliamentary systems and political institutions. His PhD is on the legislative influence of committees of the European Parliament.

Konstantinos Alpidis (PhD student, Glasgow Central & East European studies) Research areas: nation-building in post-communist Europe. His PhD is on Nation-Building in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Elisabeth (Sophie) Badenhoop (PhD student, Glasgow politics)

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/research/students/elisabethbadenhoop/> Research areas: migration and citizenship in Britain, Germany, and France; citizenship courses, tests, and ceremonies for migrants; contemporary and historical nationalism and racism; feminist theory, social theory; Critical Discourse Analysis; and State ethnography. Her PhD is on The Transformation from Immigrants to Citizens - A Comparison of Citizenship Admission Processes in Britain and Germany Today.

Dr Eamonn Butler (Lecturer in Central & East European Studies)

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/eamonnbutler/> Research Areas: European Union; EU enlargement; Security in Central & Eastern Europe; History of European Integration; & Hungarian Culture and Society.

Dr Ammon Cheskin (Lecturer in Nationalism and Identity [Central and East European Studies])

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/ammoncheskin/> Research areas: Kin-state relations between Russia and Russian speakers (primarily in Latvia and Ukraine); Russian soft power in Ukraine; Memory and memory politics in the former Soviet Union; Russian foreign policy; Minority discourses and identities; Latvian integration politics; & Ukrainian politics.

Dr Adrian Florea (Lecturer in International Relations & Central & East European Studies)

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/adrianflorea/> Research areas: The first investigates the survival and disappearance of *de facto states* - polities, like Abkhazia, Northern Cyprus, or Western Sahara, which display many statelike accoutrements except for international legal sovereignty. The second analyzes the variation in governance/state-building activities conducted by rebel organizations. The third analyzes the impact of criminal activities undertaken by insurgents on conflict processes.

Dr Brian Fogarty (Lecturer in Quantitative Social Science)

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/brianfogarty/> Research areas: quantitative social science research; Big Data.

Dr Alistair Fraser (Lecturer in Criminology & Sociology)

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/alistairfraser/> Research areas: youth, crime and globalisation, with a particular focus on youth 'gangs' in a global and comparative perspective; and young people and the politics of independence.

Brian Girvin (Honorary Professor, School of Social & Political Sciences)

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/briangirvin/> Research areas: Democracy and nationalism since the French Revolution; Secession, the state and nation; comparative politics in Europe with particular emphasis on small states in the European Union; the politics of religion in liberal societies; democracy in Ireland; nationalism and identity.

Fanni Gyurko (PhD student Glasgow CEES) Research area is low-level corruption and informal economic practices in Central Eastern European countries (especially Hungary). In her PhD research she is using socio-legal theories to explore this phenomenon by focusing on the migrants' perspective in Scotland and Hungary.

Dr Julien Danero Iglesias (Research Associate, Sociology)

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/julienaneroiglesias/> Research areas: minorities, borders and nationalism in Moldova, Serbia, Ukraine and Romania. He has been working with Dr Robert Gibb (Sociology, UoG) on an ethnography of those working multilingually with migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers at the borders of the European Union in Bulgaria and Romania.

Lauren McLaren (Professor of Comparative Politics; Head of Politics, School of Social & Political Sciences, UoG) <http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/laurenmclaren/> Research areas: immigration and perceptions of national political systems in Europe; immigration and political trust in the UK and Europe; construction democracy in Southern Europe (Italy, Spain & Turkey); identity, interests and institutional distrust.

Dr Gavin Slade (Lecturer in Legacies of Communism [Central and East European Studies]) <http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/gavinslade/> Research areas: crime & criminal justice after communism; prison reform in Russia & Georgia; mafia and anti-mafia in post-soviet Georgia; and crime & criminal justice in Macedonia.

David Smith (Professor of Baltic History and Politics [Central and East European Studies]) <http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/davidsmith/> Research areas: Contemporary history, politics and international relations of the Baltic States; Nationalism and national identity in CEE and the Former Soviet Union; Regionalism in the Baltic Sea Area; International politics of the Former Soviet Union; International influences on processes of post-communist transformation in Central and Eastern Europe, with particular reference to issues of democratisation, minority rights and ethnic conflict regulation; and Russian-speaking minorities in Estonia and Latvia

Dr Craig Smith (Adam Smith Senior Lecturer in the Scottish Enlightenment [School of Social and Political Sciences]) <http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/craigsmith/> Research areas: The Scottish Enlightenment; History of Political Thought; History of Political Economy; & Political Philosophy.

Dr Myrto Tsakatika (Senior Lecturer in Politics) <http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/myrtotsakatika/> Research areas: European Union institutions and governance; Politics of economic and social policy; Southern European politics; & Radical left parties.

Satnam Virdee (Professor of Sociology; Founding Director of the Centre for Research on Racism, Ethnicity and Nationalism; & Deputy Director of the ESRC-funded Centre on Dynamics of Ethnicity) <http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/staff/satnamvirdee/> Research areas: Sociology of Racism and Ethnicity; Sociology of Class and Stratification; Social Movements and the Sociology of Collective Action; Historical Sociology; Historical Materialism as theory and method.

