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Monday, July 10

Keynote Speech - MATTHEW BRYZA Shaking the Foundation:

the Trump Administration and NATO's East.

Monday, July 10, 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 11, 4 p.m. Round Table I REGIONAL SECURITY

CEE ON THE NEW SILK ROAD Round Table II

ISRAEL/MIDDLE EAST AND CEE/POLAND Wednesday, July 12, 4 p.m.

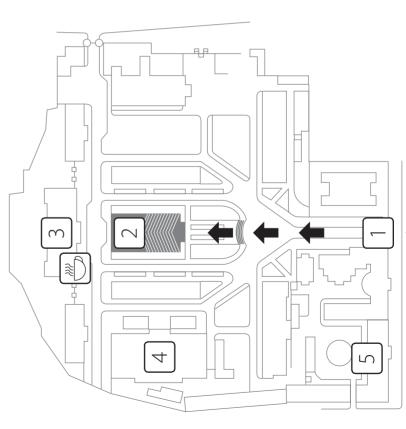
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WEEC SPECIAL MEETING II - Wednesday - July 12 **ROUND TABLE III** Session DAY 3 10:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

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From **Jan Malicki**

director of the Centre for East European Studies

This July marks the four-teenth anniversary of the Warsaw East European Conference, the largest annual meeting in the region focusing on Eastern and Central Europe, the Caucasus, and Eurasia. The theme of this year's meeting is East Central Europe vis-à-vis Global Challenges and features a four-day program with nearly 100 speakers from 15 countries.

The conference will begin with opening remarks by Professor Krzysztof Szczerski, Chief of the Cabinet of the President of Poland, and those of former U.S. Ambassador to Azerbaijan Matthew Bryza. All interested in the subject of statehood and nationalism will have the opportunity to participate in a special meeting with prominent Czech historian Miroslav Hroch. Former Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs and former U.S. Ambassador to Poland Daniel Fried will offer closing remarks.

Three Round Tables will take place during the conference. Regional Security issues will be debated during the First Round Table, co-organized with the George C. Marshall Center. The Second Round Table, "East Central Europe on the New Silk Road", is organized in cooperation with the Center of Asian Affairs of the University of Łódżand will be dedicated to the relations between Central and Eastern Europe and China. During the Third Round Table speakers will discuss relations between Central and Eastern Europe and the Middle Fast

In cooperation with the George C. Marshall Center, a discussion will focus on "Germany's New Partners: Bilateral Security Relations of Europe's Reluctant Leader". Polish and Ukrainian scholars will flesh out contemporary relations between the two nations and prospects for cooperation. Finally, a Georgian cultural evening will feature a screening of Pirosmani (1969, dir. Georgiy Shengelaya) followed by a discussion.

Sixteen panels will discuss: EU Policy towards the Black Sea Region; Security, Borders and Regional Conflict in East





From John S. Micgiel

Conference Director and Visiting Professor at the Centre for East European Studies, University of Warsaw

Central Europe; Hybrid Aggression and Cyber Security; the Caucasus; Transformations in East Central Europe; Russia and its Neighbors; the EU and East Central Europe; Challenges Policy Challenges for East European Countries; East Central European Foreign Policy Towards Russia; Religion, Identity and Politics; Restoring Ukraine; Transforma-

tion of Political Systems and Historical Memory; Natural Resources as a Policy Tool; Belarus between East and West; and Propaganda.

The 2017 WEEC organizing team wishes all participants fruitful discussions, great opportunities for networking, and a very pleasant time at the University of Warsaw.

Dr. John S. Micgiel
Conference Director

Dr. h.c., Jan Malicki, Director of the Centre for East European Studies

WARSAW EAST EUROPEAN CONFERENCE University of Warsaw July 10 – 13, 2017 GENERAL PROGRAMME

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		11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	12. Transformation of Political Systems and Historical Memory	13. Hybrid Aggression	14. Belarus between East and West	6:00 PM
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		4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	CLOSING CEREMONY CLOSING LECTURE –	DANIEL FRIED DEFENDING THE FREE WORLD	
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THURSDAY, JULY 13 - DAY 4	Registration: 9.00 AM - 2.30 PM The hall of the old library	12:30 PM - 2:30 PM	WEEC SPECIAL MEETING III With MIROSLAV HROCH	(Professor Emeritus, Charles University, Prague)	RECEPTION
		10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	15. Natural Resources as a Policy Tool	16. Religion, Identity and Politics	6:00 PM
			Room 111	Room 116	



OPENING CEREMONY

Day 1 – Monday – July 10 11:00 a.m.

Welcome by:

John S. Micgiel – Conference Director (Centre for East European Studies, University of Warsaw)

Jan Malicki (director, Centre for East European Studies, University of Warsaw)

Maciej Duszczyk (Vice-Rector for Research and International Relations, University of Warsaw)

Opening Lecture - KRZYSZTOF SZCZERSKI (Chief of the Cabinet of the President of Poland)

Keynote Speech - MATTHEW BRYZA (Jamestown Foundation / f. U.S. Ambassador to Azerbaijan) **Shaking the Foundation: the Trump Administration and NATO's East.**



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DAY 1 – Monday – July 10 11:00 a.m.

Opening Lecture KRZYSZTOF SZCZERSKI

(Chief of the Cabinet of the President of Poland)



Krzysztof Szczerski, PhD, Secretary of State, Chief of the Cabinet of the President, associate professor at the Jagiellonian University in Kraków. In years 2007-2008, Mr. Szczerski was Undersecretary of State in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and in the Office of the Committee for European Integration. He was a member of the Civil Service Council to the Prime Minister (2009-2010) and a deputy to the Sejm (2011-2015). In January 2015, he became the representative of the Polish Parliament in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe.

DAY 1 – Monday – July 10 11:00 a.m.

Keynote Speech MATTHEW BRYZA

(Jamestown Foundation / f. U.S. Ambassador to Azerbaijan)

Shaking the Foundation: the Trump Administration and NATO's East.



Matthew James Bryza, BA, MA, is a board member of the Jamestown Foundation, diplomat, former U.S. Ambassador to Azerbaijan, international relations expert and a consultant on business and democratic development. Bryza's expertise extends to energy security, international security, Nordic-Baltic security, religious extremism, Transatlantic relations, US foreign policy and US-Turkey relations. He has vast knowledge about the Caucasus, Central Europe, and Turkey.

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MONDAY - DAY 1, JULY 10

Schedule

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM Registration

Location:

The hall of the old library

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Opening Ceremony

Opening Lecture

- KRZYSZTOF SZCZERSKI

(Chief of the Cabinet of the President of Poland)

Keynote Speech - MATTHEW BRYZA

(Jamestown Foundation / f. U.S. Ambassador to Azerbaijan)

Shaking the Foundation: the Trump Administration and NATO's East.

12:30 PM - 2:30 PM Session I

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM Lunch Break

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM **Round Table I**

REGIONAL SECURITY

9:00 PM Reception

SESSION I - 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

1. EU POLICY TOWARD THE BLACK SEA REGION

CHAIR: BŘETISLAV DANČÁK (CZECH REPUBLIC)

MASARYK UNIVERSITY, BRNO

PARTICIPANTS: PHIKRIA ASANISHVILI (GEORGIA)

TBILISI STATE UNIVERSITY

EU BLACK SEA POLICY AND THE IMPORTANCE OF GEOR-

GIA: DOES GEORGIA STILL MATTER?

EVMORFIA CHRYSOVALANTOU SEITI (GREECE)

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EU FOREIGN POLICY TOWARDS THE BLACK SEA
REGION - SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES WITH EU

POLICY TOWARDS THE MEDITERRANEAN

KONRAD OLGIERD ZASZTOWT (POLAND)

University of Warsaw

TURKEY AND EAST CENTRAL EUROPE: PRAGMATISM,

MISPERCEPTION OR CLASH OF INTERESTS?

JAVID VALIYEV (AZERBAIJAN)

CENTER FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES UNDER THE PRESIDENT OF

Azerbaijan, Baku

Azerbaijan-Georgia-Turkey Triangle: Impact on

REGIONAL SECURITY

2. SECURITY, BORDERS AND REGIONAL CONFLICT IN EAST CENTRAL EUROPE

CHAIR: AGNIESZKA LEGUCKA (POLAND)

THE POLISH INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, WARSAW

PARTICIPANTS: JAN HOLZER (CZECH REPUBLIC)

MASARYK UNIVERSITY, BRNO

Russia as a Security Issue: a Czech Reflection

KAKHABER KALICHAVA (GEORGIA)

IVANE JAVAKHISHVILI TBILISI STATE UNIVERSITY

BETWEEN KOSOVO AND GEORGIAN BREAKAWAY REGIONS' CONFLICTS. ANALYSIS OF THE DIFFERENTIAL ASPECTS OF

THESE CONFLICTS IN THE POST-SOVIET SPACE

DEMBINSKA MAGDALENA (CANADA)

University of Montreal

THE MOLDOVAN (IN) DIVISIBLE TERRITORY: DISPUTED (?)

HISTORIOGRAPHY OVER TRANSNISTRIA

3. Hybrid Aggression and Cyber Security

CHAIR: MATTHEW RHODES (UNITED STATES)

GEORGE C. MARSHALL EUROPEAN CENTER FOR SECURITY

Studies, Garmisch-Partenkirchen

Participants: SERGEJ KOZLOV (LITHUANIA)

VYTAUTAS MAGNUS UNIVERSITY, KAUNAS

THE CYBER SECURITY DISCOURSE IN LITHUANIA

YEVHEN KUTSENKO (UKRAINE)

CHARLES UNIVERSITY, PRAGUE

HYBRID WAR ACTIVITIES OF RUSSIAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES ARROAD: THE CASE OF UKRAINE

YULIIA TURCHENKO (UKRAINE)

TARAS SHEVCHENKO NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, KYIV

IDENTIFYING THE LEVEL OF NEGATIVE INFORMATION AND

PSYCHOLOGICAL INFLUENCE ON UKRAINIAN MILITARY

PERSONNEL

MYKOLA RIABCHUK (UKRAINE)

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF UKRAINE, KYIV

Examined by war. New bonds and old cleavages in

THE POST-MAIDAN UKRAINIAN SOCIETY

DISCUSSANT: ANDRIS SPRŪDS (LATVIA)

LATVIAN INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, RIGA





ROUND TABLE I

Day 1 – Monday – July 10 4:00 PM

REGIONAL SECURITY

CO-ORGANIZED WITH THE GEORGE C. MARSHALL CENTER

Moderators: John S. Micgiel



John S. Micgiel, Former lecturer on international relations at Columbia University, former director of the Institute of East Central

Europe and deputy director of the Harriman Institute. Former president and executive director of the Kościuszko Foundation in New York. Recurring visiting professor of the University of Warsaw's Centre for East European Studies and the Estonian Diplomatic School. His area of academic interest encompasses contemporary history and current policy of the countries of East Central Europe.



Matthew Rhodes (US), PhD, professor of National Security Studies at the George C. Marshall Center, former assistant profes-

sor of strategy and international security at the U.S. Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama and assistant professor in the department of political science at Central College, Pella, lowa. He was an Academic Mentor in the Jan Hus Foundation at Palacky University, Olomouc, Czech Republic. His interests have focused on U.S. foreign and security policy, transatlantic relations, and Central and Southeast European security issues.



Graeme P. Herd (UK), PhD, professor of Transnational Security Studies at the George

C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies and founding Director of the School of Government and Associate Dean in the Faculty of Business, Plymouth University. He was a founder of Centre for Seapower and Strategy at the Britannia Royal Naval Academy, Dartmouth.



Pál Dunay (HU), PhD, Professor of NATO and European Security Issues at the George C. Marshall Center. Previously he served as

Senior Researcher at the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI). In 2007, he reopened and directed the Hungarian Institute of International Affairs. In the years 2014 – 2015, he was Director of the Organization for Security Cooperation in Europe's Academy in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. His research interests have focused on various issues of European security with an emphasis on East-central Europe and Eastern Europe, Central Asia, the OSCE, the legality of the use of force, and integration and disintegration in the post-Soviet space.



Tomasz Kowalik, (PL), col., PhD, Polish Ministry of Defense, Special Assistant to the Chairman of the North Atlantic Treaty Or-

ganisation's Military Committee.











DAY 1 – Monday – July 10 6:30 p.m.

WEEC SPECIAL MEETING I

and Marshall Center Poland Alumni Outreach Networking Event:

Germany's New Partners: Bilateral Security Relations of Europe's Reluctant LeaderRegional Security

co-organized with George C. Marshall Center



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Graeme P. Herd (UK) – bio on page 20.



Pál Dunay (HU) – bio on page 20.



Michał Baranowski, director of GMF's Warsaw office, where he focuses on transatlantic relations, U.S. for-

eign policy, and the relations between the United States and Central and East-

ern Europe (CEE). Prior to helping launch the Warsaw office, he served at GMF's headquarters in Washington, DC, where he developed GMF's programming in Poland and CEE. Before that posting, Baranowski worked in GMF's Brussels office, where he focused on the EU and U.S. policy toward Ukraine and Georgia, and where he also established the Young Transatlantic Network.

He has published in Gazeta Wyborcza, Rzeczpospolita, the Warsaw Business Journal, the Kyiv Post, and GMF's Transatlantic Take series. He is a member of the advisory council of the Institute for Western Affairs in Poznań, Poland. He holds a master's of European public affairs from Maastricht University, and has studied at Mercer University in the United States and the University of Oxford.



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TUESDAY - DAY 2, JULY 11

Schedule

9:00 AM – 2:30 PM Registration

Location:

The Hall of the Old Library

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Session I 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM Session II 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM Lunch Break

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM **Round Table II**

CEE ON THE NEW SILK ROAD

6:30 PM WEEC GEORGIAN EVENING

8:00 PM Georgian reception

SESSION I - 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

4. THE CAUCASUS

CHAIR: DAVID KOLBAIA (POLAND)

University of Warsaw, Centre for East European

STUDIES

PARTICIPANTS: AYDAN ER (TURKEY)

University of Bologna, Forli

THE IMPACT OF THE IRANIAN NUCLEAR DEAL ON GEOPOLITICS OF THE SOUTH CAUCASUS

HAMED KAZEMZADEH (POLAND)

University of Warsaw

SOFT POWER IN THE SOUTH CAUCASUS: NEIGHBORING

INFLUENCES

DISCUSSANT: KONRAD OLGIERD ZASZTOWT (POLAND)

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5. Transformation in East Central Europe

CHAIR: PAWEŁ KOWAL (POLAND)

Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw

PARTICIPANTS: OLGA BRUSYLOVSKA (UKRAINE)

Odessa I.I. Mechnikov National University

THE IDEOLOGICAL TRANSFORMATION OF SOUTH-EASTERN

EUROPE AFTER 2004

OLGA MAKSYMOVYCH (UKRAINE)

Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University, Ivano-Frankiysk

VALUE ORIENTATIONS AND SOCIAL STATUS ASPIRATIONS
FRONTIER TEENAGERS IN EASTERN AND CENTRAL EUROPE

ŁUKASZ KUTYŁO (POLAND)

University of Łódź

POST-FEUDAL CULTURE AND ITS IMPACT ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN EASTERN EUROPE

STANISŁAW MUSIAŁ (POLAND)

POLISH NAVAL ACADEMY, GDYNIA

DAWID PIWOWARCZYK (Poland)

GDYNIA MARITIME UNIVERSITY

POLAND - POLAND - A COUNTRY OPEN AND FRIENDLY TO MIGRANTS?

DISCUSSANT: ŁUKASZ JASINA (POLAND)

The Polish Institute of International Affairs, Warsaw

6. Russia and its Neighbours

CHAIR: WITOLD RODKIEWICZ (POLAND)

University of Warsaw, Centre for East European

STUDIES

PARTICIPANTS: BARTOSZ CHMIELEWSKI (POLAND)

War Studies University, Warsaw

TOOLS AND GOALS OF RUSSIAN SOFT POWER IN

LITHUANIA

VASYL MYKHAILYSHYN (UKRAINE)

HELMUT-SCHMIDT-UNIVERSITY, HAMBURG

THE AMBIVALENCE OF RUSSIAN MILITARY

MODERNISATION (2008-2020)

TEIMURAZ PAPASKIRI (GEORGIA)

IVANE JAVAKHISHVILI TBILISI STATE UNIVERSITY

FAKE HISTORY AS A TOOL OF RUSSIAN PROPAGANDA

ROMAN BÄCKER (Poland)

NICOLAUS COPERNICUS UNIVERSITY, TORUŃ

REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA 2017?

DISCUSSANT: ALEXANDER SMOLJANSKI (GERMANY)

INTEGRUM WORLD WIDE, BERLIN

7. Restoring Ukraine

CHAIR: MYKOLA RIABCHUK (UKRAINE)

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PARTICIPANTS: OLENA PODOLIAN (UKRAINE)

SÖDERTÖRN UNIVERSITY, STOCKHOLM

THE CHALLENGE OF "STATENESS" IN POST-SOVIET

DEMOCRATISATION: RE-EVALUATING EXTERNAL LINKS IN

ESTONIA AND UKRAINE

DMYTRO VOLODIN (UKRAINE)

GRADUATE SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH, WARSAW

DELIBERATIVE DEMOCRACY AS A METHOD TO INCREASE TRUST IN LOCAL POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS - THE CASE OF

Participatory Budgeting in Ukraine

NATALIA YAKOVENKO (UKRAINE)

TARAS SHEVCHENKO NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, KYIV

UKRAINE'S "SOFT POWER" DIPLOMACY

ROMAN ZHEBCHUK (UKRAINE)

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Moderator: Bogdan Góralczyk



Bogdan Góralczyk, director of the Centre for Europe at the University of Warsaw; former Ambassador of the

Republic of Poland in Thailand, Republic of the Philippines and Myanmar (former Birma). He was the head of the Cabinet of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (2001-2003). Since 2016 editor-in-chief of the CE UW Publishing Program. Góralczyk is the author of many books and dozens of academic papers. He has given academic related presentations at many universities and research institutes all over the world – from Budapest, Granada or Riga, to New Delhi, Taipei in Taiwan or Beijing and Xiamen in the PRC.



Wang Yizhou, professor, Deputy Dean of the Institute of International Relations, School of International Stud-

ies (SIS), Peking University. Former deputy director of the Institute of World Economics and Policy (IWEP) at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS) and former editor-in-chief of the monthly *World Economics and Politics*. Prof. Wang's research focuses on international relations, China's foreign policy and the theory of international relations.



Bartosz Kowalski, assistant professor at the Center for Asian Affairs of the University of Lodz. His research focuses

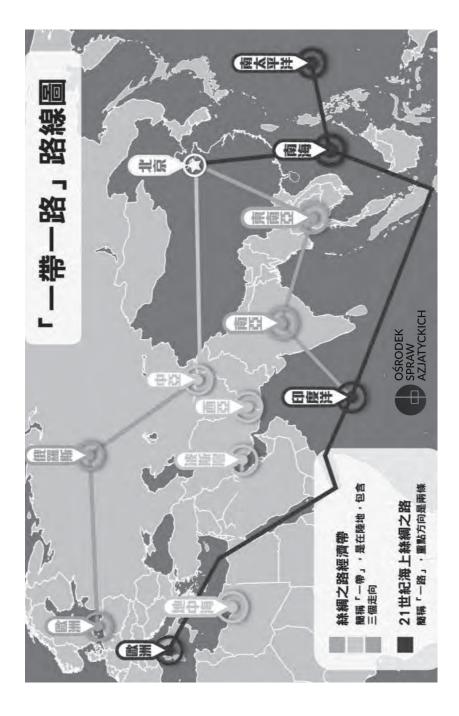
on social and political development of Western China and Sino-Central European relations. Kowalski was a participant in numerous research workshops including the University of Oslo and Nanjing University; he has research experience in the PRC and Taiwan. Since 2014 he is engaged in the research grant "Ideas and Identity in China's Foreign Policy". Member of the training project on Polish-Chinese public diplomacy for local governments and business institutions financed by the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs; co-author of "Guide to Cooperation with Chinese Local Authorities".



Richard Q. Turcsányi, Deputy Director of the Institute of Asian Studies in Bratislava, Editor-in-Chief of the Global

Politics Journal in Brno, academic teacher at Masaryk University, Brno. Turcsányi teaches courses on current East Asia, Chinese Foreign Policy and theories of international relations. In the past he conducted research or study stays at National Chengchi University in Taipei, European Institute for Asian Studies in Brussels, Peking University, and LPU University in Indian Punian.





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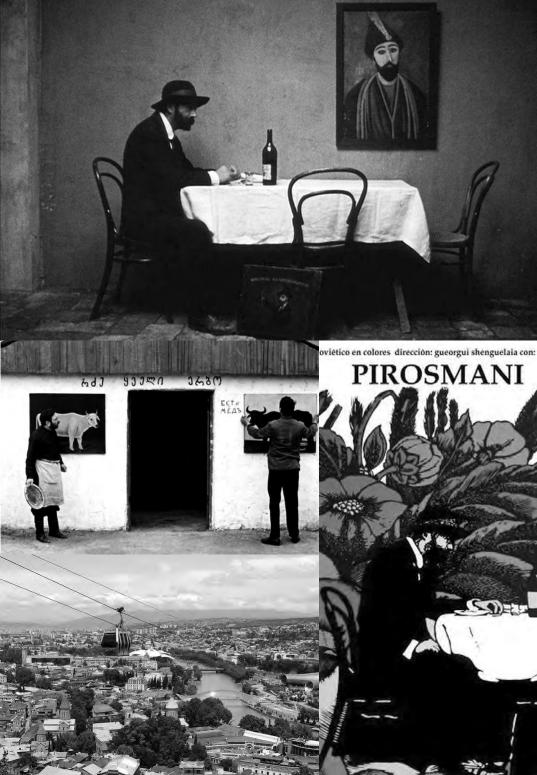
PIROSMANI (1969, DIR. GEORGIY SHENGELAYA, 81 MIN.)
FILM PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

Pirosmani – is a 1969 Georgian biographical art-drama film directed by Giorgi Shengelaia, about the Georgian primitivst painter Niko Pirosmani (1862–1918) who posthumously rose to prominence.

PROGRAM OF THE EVENT:

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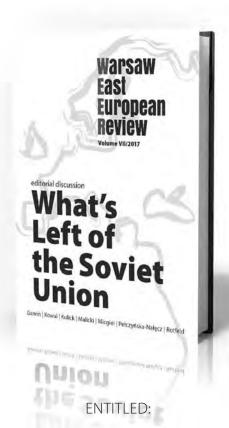
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Moderators: Jan Malicki and Vitaly Portnikov



Jan Malicki, – Director of the Centre for East European Studies of the University of Warsaw. A member of the

first underground editorial board of the underground journal Obóz (1981), then later its editor-in-chief (1982), he was founder and head of the underground Institute of Eastern Europe (1983-1985); founder and chief editor of the quarterly Przegląd Wschodni (from 1991); cofounder (1990), and later, director of the Centre for East European Studies, author of the Eastern Studies program, coordinator of government and university scholarship programs for the East; director of the

Konstanty Kalinowski Polish government scholarship (since 2006) and permanent deputy chairman of the "Consortium of Ukrainian Universities and the University of Warsaw". Chairman of the Polish-Ukrainian Partnership Forum inaugurated in January 2017, in cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland.



Vitaly Portnikov, ukrainian editor and journalist, editorin-chief and president of TVi channel. In 2013 Portnikov

was one of the organiser of the Euromaidan demonstrations.



ROUND TABLE III

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ISRAEL/MIDDLE EAST AND CEE/POLAND

Moderator: Laurence Weinbaum



Laurence Weinbaum, director of the Israel Council on Foreign Relations which operates under the auspices

of the World Jewish Congress, founder and editor-in-chief of The Israel Journal of Foreign Affairs. He has written and lectured widely on Polish-Jewish relations. His latest book (co-authored with Dariusz Libionka) is Bohaterowie, hochsztaplerzy, opisywacze - Wokół Żydowskiego Związku Wojskowego.



Piotr Puchta, Director of the Department of Africa and the Middle East in the Polish Ministry of Foreign Af-

fairs. From 1996 to 2001 he held the post of Deputy Ambassador of the Republic of Poland in Israel. In 2009, Puchta was nominated for the position of Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to Egypt, Eritrea and Sudan. Puchta is an expert in Middle Eastern issues and Polish-Israeli relations.



Agnieszka Magdziak – Miszewska, former Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to Israel, Polish literary

philologist, theatrologist, journalist and diplomat. In the 1980s she was head of section in monthly Więź. Following this, she was director of the independent Centre for International Studies in Warsaw. Magdziak – Miszewska was also deputy Ambassador and plenipotentiary for the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in Moscow, former adviser for Polish-Jewish relations in the Prime Minister's Office and adviser to the Minister of National Defence.



Bogdan Grzeloński - Professor, former Polish Ambassador to Canada. His research focuses on history

of the United States and the relations between East-Central Europe and the U.S. Currently he is a professor at the Law Department at the SWPS University of Social Sciences and Humanities in Warsaw

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Ambassador to Poland) **Defending the Free World**

6:00 PM Farewell Reception

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WEEC SPECIAL MEETING III with MIROSLAV HROCH

(Professor Emeritus, Charles University, Prague)

Miroslav Hroch, PhD, professor emeritus at the Charles University in Prague, visiting professor at many universities around the world (e.g. Saarbrücken, Los Angeles, Florence), Czech historian and political theorist. Hroch has earned international academic renown for his works about the formation and evolution of the national movements of Central and Eastern European nations. He has significantly contributed to the establishment of comparative history as a research field in East-Central Europe.



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CLOSING LECTURE

Daniel Fried

(f. Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs / f. U.S. Ambassador to Poland)

ENTITLED:

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Daniel Fried, BA, MA, diplomat, former top U.S. diplomat in Europe, National Security Council director for Presidents Bill Clinton and George H.W. Bush, former U.S. Ambassador to Poland, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs. He served as a Special Envoy to facilitate the closing of the Guantanamo Bay detention camp. He a Distinguished Fellow at the Future Europe Initiative and the Dinu Patriciu Eurasia Center at the Atlantic Council.



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