The Russian Studies Workshop (RSW)

in conjunction with the Russian and East European Institute (REEI) at Indiana University and in collaboration with the International Laboratory “Russia’s Regions in Historical Perspective” at the Higher School of Economics Moscow (HSE),

with generous support from the Carnegie Corporation and IU’s Office of the Vice President for International Affairs,

will be hosting the “Regional Studies Workshop” at the IU Europe Gateway in Berlin, Germany,

March 14th—March 15th, 2020.

**Preliminary program**

**Saturday, March 14:**

10:00am - 10:15am—opening remarks. Tatiana Saburova, Academic Director of the RSW, IU.

**10:15am - 11:30am—session #1**

John Romero (IU) "Articulating the Tatar Past in the Soviet Present: Tatar Scholarship and Poetry during the Thaw"

Galina Egorova (HSE Moscow) The Soviet Young on Orthodox Believers: Nikita Khrushchev’s Anti-Religious Campaign in the Soviet Provinces

11:30am - 11:45am—coffee break

**11:45am - 1:00pm—session #2**

Gertraud Illmeier (University of Vienna) Changing Infrastructures of Northern Mobilities

Alexandra Babikova (HSE SPb) Construction of the Tourist Gaze in Late Imperial Russia: Commercialization of Panoramic Views of the Black Sea Coast (late 19th - early 20th centuries)

1:00pm - 2:00pm—lunch (on site)

**2:00pm - 3:30pm—reading/writing session**

* Reading group: John Romero, Galina Egorova, Gertraud Illmeier, Alexandra Babikova, Stepan Serdiukov, Erofei Moryakov. Moderators: Ekaterina Boltunova, Guido Haussmann.

Readings:

U. Freitag, A. Oppen, "Translocality": An Approach To Connection And Transfer In Regional Studies’ in *Translocality: The Study of Globalizing Processes from a Southern Perspective*. Leiden-Boston: Brill, 1-24;

Kate Brown, ‘Gridded Lives: Why Kazakhstan and Montana are Nearly the Same Place’, *The American Historical Review*, Volume 106, Issue 1, February 2001, Pages 17–48.

* Writing group working on the Siberia publication project *Frozen Futures: Isolation and the Promise of Infrastructure in Siberia:* Peter Schweitzer, Olga Povoroznyuk, Russell Valentino, Kate Graber, Tatiana Saburova, Craig Campbell, Kinga Nędza-Sikoniowska.

3:30 - 3:45—break

**3:45 - 5:00pm—master class/writing session**

* Research methods in regional studies: presentation and group discussion (Ekaterina Boltunova, Guido Haussmann, John Romero, Galina Egorova, Gertraud Illmeier, Alexandra Babikova, Erofei Moryakov, Stepan Serdiukov)
* Writing group: Peter Schweitzer, Olga Povoroznyuk, Russell Valentino, Kate Graber, Tatiana Saburova, Craig Campbell, Kinga Nędza-Sikoniowska

6:00pm—dinner

**Sunday, March 15**:

**9:30am - 10:45am—session #3**

Erofei Moryakov, Serfs’ Representations about Regions in the Russian Empire of the Late 18th Century

Stepan Serdiukov, Negotiating an Exit: The Caucasus Molokans, the Kars Troika, and the Politics of Emigration in Imperial Russia

10:45 - 11:00am—break

**11:00am - 12:30pm—reading/writing session**

* Reading group: John Romero, Galina Egorova, Gertraud Illmeier, Alexandra Babikova, Stepan Serdiukov, Erofei Moryakov. Moderators: Ekaterina Boltunova, Guido Haussmann.

Readings:

Catherine Evtuhov, *Portrait of a Russian Province: Economy, Society and Civilization in Nineteenth-Century Nizhnii Novgorod*. University of Pittsburgh Press, 2011 (chapter 2 or 4);

Daniel Beer, ‘Decembrists, Rebels, and Martyrs in Siberian Exile: The “Zerentui Conspiracy” of 1828 and the Fashioning of a Revolutionary Genealogy’, *Slavic Review*, Vol. 72, No. 3 (FALL 2013), pp. 528-551.

* Writing group working on the publication project: Peter Schweitzer, Olga Povoroznyuk, Russell Valentino, Kate Graber, Tatiana Saburova, Craig Campbell, Kinga Nędza-Sikoniowska.

12:30pm - 1:15pm—lunch (on site)

**1:15pm - 2:45pm— Siberian Studies planning session**

Kathryn Graber, Russell Valentino, Tatiana Saburova, Ekaterina Boltunova, Guido Haussmann, Kinga Nedza-Sikoniowska, Graig Campbell, Olga Povoroznyuk, Peter Schweitzer, Andrea Moore, Gertjan Plets (zooming in)

2:45pm - 3:00pm—closing remarks