GW’s Rising Powers Initiative at the Sigur Center for Asian Studies and PONARS Eurasia at the Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies cordially invite you to an international conference on:

**Russia as a Global Power: Contending Views from Russia**

**Monday, March 18, 2013**
9:00 AM - 4:45 PM
George Washington University, Elliott School of International Affairs
1957 E St. NW, 7th Floor- City View Room
Washington, DC 20052

9:00-9:30  
**Registration and Continental Breakfast**

9:30-9:45  
**Welcome and Introductory Remarks**
Speaker: Henry R. Nau (GW)

9:45-10:45  
**Session I: Russian Views on National Security and Defense**
Chair: Cory Welt (GW)

- Vladislav Inozemtsev - Director, Centre for Post-Industrial Studies
- Andrey Kortunov - President, New Eurasia Foundation, and Director General, Russian International Affairs Council
- Fyodor Lukyanov - Editor-in-Chief, *Russia in Global Affairs*, and Chairman, Presidium of the Council on Foreign and Defense Policy
- Andranik Migranyan - Director, Institute for Democracy and Cooperation

10:45-11:00  
**Coffee/Tea Break**

11:00-12:00  
**Session II: Russian Views on Economics, International Institutions, and Transnational Issues**
Chair: Andrew Kuchins (CSIS)

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12:15-1:00
Luncheon

1:00-1:45
Keynote Address
Introduction: Henry Hale (GW)


2:00-3:15
Session III: American Views on US-Russia Relations
Chair: Igor Zevelev (MacArthur Foundation, Moscow)

• Leon Aron - Director of Russian Studies, American Enterprise Institute
• Samuel Charap - Senior Fellow, International Institute for Strategic Studies
• E. Wayne Merry - Senior Fellow, American Foreign Policy Council
• Paul Saunders - Executive Director, Center for the National Interest

3:15-3:30
Coffee/Tea Break

3:30-4:30
Session IV: Russian Reactions to American Views on US-Russia Relations
Chair: Jim Hoagland (Washington Post)

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4:30-4:45
Closing Comments
Speaker: Deepa Ollapally (GW)

Please RSVP at go.gwu.edu/Russia

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Medvedev. Professor Inozemtsev is author of over 600 printed works published in Russia, France, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Between December 2011 and March 2012, he was a senior advisor to Mikhail Prokhorov, at that time Russia’s presidential candidate (who ended up third in the elections in 2012) and authored his presidential programme. Since November 2012, he is Chairman of the High Council of The Civilian Force, a newly established Russian center-liberal pro-European party.

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Ambassador Jack Matlock was U.S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union from 1987 to 1991. Ambassador Matlock served 35 years in the American Foreign Service (1956-1991). Prior to being appointed Ambassador, he was posted to the American Embassy in Moscow as Vice Consul and Third Secretary (1961-63), Minister Counselor and Deputy Chief of Mission (1974-1978), and Chargé d'Affaires ad interim in 1981. Ambassador Matlock was the Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and Senior Director for European and Soviet Affairs on the National Security Council Staff from 1983 until 1986, and Ambassador to Czechoslovakia from 1981 to 1983. His other Foreign Service assignments were in Vienna, Munich, Accra, Zanzibar and Dar es Salaam, in addition to tours in Washington as Director of Soviet Affairs in the State Department (1971-74) and as Deputy Director of the Foreign Service Institute (1979-80).

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