State-Building and the Multinationalization of Russian Oil and Gas Companies

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This presentation will examine the connections between the internal process of state-building in Russia and the external actions of its oil and gas companies, which are situated in a globalized context. The speaker argues that the state-building process under Putin has shaped the motives and instruments of the companies to varying extents. The argument draws on material from the speaker’s PhD thesis which analyzed 40 multinationalization projects in 5 oil and gas companies from 1991 until 2012.

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