The Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (IERES) is pleased to invite you to:

**Eastern European Energy Policy**

*with*

**Ambassador Keith C. Smith**  
Senior Associate, New European Democracies project, CSIS

*and*

**Andris Spruds**  
Visiting Fellow, Center for Transatlantic Relations, SAIS

**Stefan Hedlund**  
Visiting Scholar, IERES

*will serve as discussant*

The speakers will discuss Russia’s role as a major energy supplier to Eastern and Central Europe, providing their perspectives on how to resolve issues related to energy security in the region.

Dr. Spruds is an associate professor at Riga Stradins University and an adjunct professor at Wyzsza Szkoła Biznesu-National Louis University in Nowy Sacz, Poland. He also heads the Latvian Institute of International Affairs. His research interests focus on energy security and policy in the Baltic Sea region, domestic and foreign policies of post-Soviet countries, and transatlantic relations.

Ambassador Keith C. Smith is currently a senior associate at the CSIS New European Democracies Project. He retired from the US Department of State in 2000, where his career focused primarily on European affairs. He was US ambassador to Lithuania from 1997 to 2000, with additional posts in Europe including Hungary (twice), Norway, and Estonia.

**Tuesday, April 5, 2011**  
4:00-5:30 p.m.  
1957 E Street, NW, Room 505  
Please RSVP with your name and affiliation to ieresgwu@gwu.edu.

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