**DIRECTOR’S LETTER**

One of the most appealing features of our home institution, the Elliott School of International Affairs, is its keen attention to research. The exceptionally high regard placed on this domain is expressed during the School’s annual reception honoring faculty members who have published a book. Among the most recent honorees were Institute for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies (IERES) members James Hershberg, Erwan Lagadec, Marlene Laruelle, and Sebastien Peyrouse. Such events demonstrate that the institutes and centers of the Elliott School play a key role in the successful implementation of our internationally competitive research agenda. Congratulations to the authors!

IERES is a direct financial beneficiary of the Elliott School's support for high-impact research. Generous funding from foundations, private donors, and university resources enables our Institute members to examine a wide range of key issues from geopolitical and security matters to economic, social, and cultural subjects. The fact that our Institute has been awarded three more grants from the Elliott School’s Strategic Opportunities for Academic Research (SOAR) initiative speaks for itself. The IERES projects that are funded by SOAR are particularly fascinating because they deal with (Continued on p. 2)

**JOHNSON’S RUSSIA LIST JOINS IERES**

IERES is pleased to welcome Johnson’s Russia List (JRL) to its growing list of sponsored programs. JRL is a well-known, internet-based newsletter of daily news, analysis, and opinion about Russia from sources both within and outside the country. JRL has been compiled by David Johnson since 1996. JRL is considered a “must read” source for thousands of students, teachers, scholars, activists, community leaders, government officials, and top-tier journalists. JRL is also distributed widely in Russia and other post-Soviet Eurasian states among citizens, experts, and leaders who have found it a vital resource, both for gaining a sense of how Russia is perceived abroad as well as an understanding of what is happening inside their own country. JRL currently receives support from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Carnegie Corporation of New York, and individual gifts. To sign up send your email address to: davidjohnson@starpower.net.
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developments that are constantly in flux: the international exploration of the Arctic and its ramifications, the difficult socio-cultural transformations in Central Asia, the peculiar democratic processes in Ukraine, and the changing role of media in the post-Soviet space.

As this latest issue of the IERES newsletter demonstrates, the expertise concentrated in our premises is in high demand. Our members are invited to the most prominent venues in Washington and beyond. Likewise, leading representatives of Washington’s diplomatic community have visited IERES, including French Ambassador François Delattre and Irish Ambassador Michael Collins.

The lively intellectual exchange that is characteristic of daily life at the Institute directly benefits our students. Our community of full-time and adjunct professors has grown to include Olof Kronvall who is currently offering a course on NATO expansion, and Jean-François Ratelle who is contributing to the European and Eurasian Studies (EES) Master’s Program with a course on conflict and terrorism in the North Caucasus. All of the recent additions to the IERES/EES family have further expanded our pedagogical endeavors and are helping to provide dozens of graduate students with cutting-edge insight into highly complex regional issues.

~ Dr. Peter Rollberg

In recent months, IERES scholars have won several significant new grants that are funding a wide range of scholarship and greater interaction with the region that we study.

In the beginning of January 2013, IERES won two grants for $32,000 each from the Elliott School to support research projects on the role of the media in Eurasian societies and the future of reform in Ukraine. The grants come from the Elliott School’s Strategic Opportunities for Academic Reach (SOAR) Initiative, which benefits from a $3.15 million gift to the School from an anonymous donor. The grants serve as “force multipliers,” working to build on and expand IERES’s core research, teaching, and outreach efforts.

Peter Rollberg will lead the media project. It will combine an analysis of the role of traditional media, social media and the Internet on the politics and culture of Eurasia, with an innovative study of television’s continuing significance. Despite the popularity of online media, television programming shapes the political views for a majority of people in Russia and neighboring countries. Understanding the role of television is critical for explaining how authoritarian regimes in Eurasia manage to stay in office.

With intellectual support from Henry Hale and Robert Orttung, the Ukraine project will examine why efforts at political, economic, and legal reform in Ukraine have produced meager results so far. By focusing on important arenas of reform, including constitutional, economic, judicial, and anti-corruption efforts, the project plans to pair experts on Ukraine with scholars studying similar issues in comparative perspective. For example, the planned volume resulting from the project will have two chapters addressing the role of the oligarchs in Ukraine’s politics and economy. One
IERES benefitted from SOAR grants in 2012 that helped to launch its Arctic and Central Asia programs. The Arctic project has delivered significant new funding for research and outreach activities, with recent major grants from the National Science Foundation and a new partnership with the Barents Institute at the University of Tromsø in Norway. The NSF grant will fund annual conferences on the Arctic for the next five years, while support from the Barents Institute, provided by the Research Council of Norway, will send scholars and students to conduct field work in Arctic regions. Geography professor Nikolai Shiklomanov and Robert Orttung visited Tromsø in January to participate in the Arctic Urban Sustainability in the High North side event at the Arctic Frontiers Conference. At that session, they met with colleagues to lay out the scope of their research. The next meeting will take place at GW on May 30-31, when IERES will host a wide variety of Arctic scholars for a large public conference and research planning meetings. This project employs two GW research assistants, Caitlin Boucher and Colin Reiser, and has launched a website (www.gwu.edu/~ieresgwu/programs/ARCN.cfm) that is rapidly expanding and will soon include policy memos and substantive information on Arctic and urban sustainability issues.

The Central Asia Program, working with several Elliott School colleagues, won a new grant to launch a project entitled “Women and Water in South and Central Asia: Building International Social Capital for Sustainable Peace and Development.” This project, funded by the State Department, will support Track II diplomacy (people-to-people relations) and build capacity on water resource management as a key element in enhancing stability and prosperity in Central Asia.
and South Asia. It brings together young women social entrepreneurs and activists from Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and India to discuss their experiences, best practices, and innovative solutions related to community-level water management. It will also connect them to U.S. institutions and the policy community working on water management and women's participation. The project includes in-person and virtual exchanges in the Central and South Asian regions and in Washington DC, video and web content production, and curriculum development. The award is for nearly $300,000 and extends from January 2013 to December 2015. The principal investigator is Marlene Laruelle, research professor of international affairs; the co-principal investigator is Ariana Rabindranath, associate director of the Global Gender Program of the Elliott School's Institute for Global and International Studies (IGIS). Other affiliated faculty are Deepa Ollapally of the Sigur Center for Asian Studies, Barbara Miller of IGIS and the Global Gender Program, and Sean Roberts of the International Development Studies Program.

Additionally, the Central Asia Program won a $10,000 2013 SOAR grant for a “Central Asia Outreach Initiative” to publish papers in Russian and in Central Asian languages. CAP also won a $319,000 grant from the Open Society Institute that will bring Central Asian fellows to IERES and SIPRI’s Washington office for the next two years. This program will further enrich IERES’s already flourishing visiting scholar program by bringing in academics who otherwise might not have the resources to participate in such exchanges.

### Update on IERES’s visiting scholars

Each year, IERES hosts more than twenty visiting scholars from the United States and abroad. The international scholars come from countries within our region of Europe and Eurasia, as well as from other parts of the world when their research examines topics connected to Eurasia or develops IERES’s traditional strength in Cold War studies.

With their new perspectives and on-the-ground knowledge, these scholars contribute enormously to the IERES intellectual community, helping to enrich the research, teaching, and outreach activities of GW-based scholars. Each of the visitors presents a summary of his or her research as part of IERES’s regular Visiting Scholar Roundtable, which takes place the second and fourth Thursday of each month during the academic year. The scholars also contribute intellectually to IERES publications, such as Demokratizatsiya: The Journal of Post-Soviet Democratization, writing articles and serving as peer reviewers.

Visiting scholars benefit from work space within the IERES office suite and frequently engage in informal conversations with IERES faculty and staff. They also have an opportunity to take advantage of the extensive resources available in the Washington area, including the Library of Congress and easy access to American policy-makers and the city’s bountiful think tanks and policy-advocacy organizations.

Olena Rybiy, a Research Scholar at the I. F. Kuras Institute of Political and Ethnic Studies (Kyiv, Ukraine), spent the Fall 2012 semester at IERES conducting research on the development of the political party system in Ukraine and the 2012 parliamentary elections there. She met many research fellows, representatives of governmental and non-governmental organizations (from the State Department, Open World Program, IREX, Library of Congress, National Endowment for Democracy, etc.) and continues to maintain contact with them while pursuing joint projects. In particular, a chance
An encounter with a Florida mayor has led to ongoing conversations about how local governments work. Since she was in Washington for the Ukrainian elections, she had a chance to witness how American observers view Ukraine and portray its political development in forums such as those offered by the Brookings Institution, National Democratic Institute, National Endowment for Democracy, and Woodrow Wilson Center. She concluded that “Ukraine needs to be discussed in more fundamental terms and in the context of coherent approaches to the political processes in the post-communist space.”

Siri Holland (pictured below), a political adviser to the Norwegian Labor Party parliamentary group, visited IERES as an Ambassador Robert D. Stuart Fellow from August to December 2012. She had a chance to observe the U.S. presidential elections, including the debates and party conventions, up close and immerse herself in the media coverage surrounding them. Siri’s presentation on how Norway has successfully managed the enormous revenues generated from its energy development projects served as the basis for an article in the popular trade publication Oil and Gas Journal. At GW, Siri also audited a course on energy security around the world. Siri said: “I found there to be a real American interest in Norwegian experiences in regards to Russian relations and cooperation, our experience with drilling in Arctic areas, as well as our offshore safety regulations,” adding that these interests could well form the basis for developing U.S.-Norwegian relations. She noted that the strong U.S. interest in the Arctic is likely to continue since the U.S. is slated to chair the Arctic Council in 2015. Likewise, there is a growing discussion of American events in the Norwegian media - including the presidential elections, Hurricane Sandy, the fiscal cliff discussions, and the shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School – so there is a strong basis for greater interaction.

In her project: Remembering the Good: Social Memory and the Resistance to Violence in the Plateau Vivarais-Lignon, Maggie Paxson seeks “to understand how the extraordinary rescue efforts on the Plateau Vivarais-Lignon during the Holocaust are recalled - in story and in action - by the local community.”

The Institute made a sizeable contribution to her work. “At IERES, I have benefitted greatly from the presence of scholars of memory, such as Hope Harrison; scholars of the Caucasus such as Cory Welt, Sufian Zhemuknov, Iwona Kaliszewska, and Jean-François Ratelle; and scholars who focus on issues of migration, such as Marlene Laruelle. The conversations with them are ongoing and I know they will continue far beyond the tenure of my visiting fellowship.”

During her time at IERES, Rebecca Chamberlain-Creangă completed her doctoral dissertation revisions (2011) and earned a PhD degree in Social Anthropology from the London School of Economics in February 2012. Her dissertation is entitled “Cementing Modernization: Transnational Markets, Language, and Labor Tension in a Post-Soviet Factory in Moldova.” Subsequently, she used her time at IERES to develop ongoing research interest in protracted conflict zones in Eurasia, focusing on security, identity, and political change in secessionist Transnistria and the Balkans. She said, “IERES gave me the invaluable writing and research space to produce a variety of scholarly outputs. All of my work benefited greatly from GW’s Gelman Library resources and IERES’s regular scholarly exchanges through Visiting Scholar Roundtables and workshops. Meetings with high-level U.S. State Department and Pentagon officials and foreign diplomats in Washington aided the development of my post-doctoral research.” Her research at IERES ultimately opened the door to a 2012-13 fellowship with the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) to apply
Roman J. Moskalyk, Associate Professor in the Department of International Relations at the Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, Ukraine, and a William and Helen Petrach Fellow at IERES, used the Gelman Library resources to conduct research on commercial diplomacy. In particular, he studied the issues of multinational negotiations, policy advocacy, and applications for Ukrainian cases. He presented his study at an IERES workshop in November saying he “received valuable feedback from IERES staff and visitors.” Roman said that he is “obliged to IERES for the scientific discussions, shared ideas that are of particular value for my current and future research, as well as for the pleasant company, assistance, and scientific atmosphere.”

In providing a base for visiting scholars, IERES faculty and the institution as a whole benefit enormously from the chance to exchange analysis and information, develop new contacts with American and foreign colleagues, and make the kind of personal contacts that form the basis for the development of productive collaborations.

IERES, the Elliott School, and GW invest significant resources into hosting visitors, yielding enormous intellectual and practical benefits.

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Pal Arne Davidsen is an Ambassador Robert D. Stuart Fellow at IERES. He is a foreign affairs adviser for the Progress Party in Norway. His interests include natural resource management and security. paldavidsen@gwu.edu (January 2013 - June 2013)

Mami Hamamoto is a Research Fellow at the Graduate School of Humanities and Sociology, the University of Tokyo, Japan, specializing in the history of Russian Muslims, especially Tatars. At IERES, she is examining the activities of Tatar merchants in the 19th century and at the beginning of the 20th century. hamamotogwu.edu (September 2011 - September 2013)
Sinae Hyun is a PhD candidate in the Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Hyun was born and raised on Jeju Island, Republic of Korea. She came to the United States to pursue graduate studies focusing on Southeast Asian and Cold War history and is currently working on a dissertation entitled “Indigenizing the Cold War: Civic Actions of the Thai Border Patrol Police and Postcolonial Nation-Building in Southeast Asia, 1945-1982.” 

Oleg Kozlovsky is a Fulbright Visiting Researcher and is at IERES to work on his dissertation, which examines the influence of Ukraine’s Orange Revolution on Russian political life. His academic interests include non-violent political resistance movements, democratic revolutions, as well as use of new media for advancing freedom and democracy. Oleg is known in Russia as a civil rights activist, change agent, and blogger.

Ivan Kurilla is the Head of the IR and Area Studies Department at Volgograd State University, Russia and is a PONARS Eurasia Post-Doctoral Fellow at IERES. He was a recipient of Kennan Institute grants and a Fulbright scholarship. His books include Partners Across the Ocean: America and Russia in 1830-1850 (in Russian) (Volgograd, 2005) and Russia and the United States: Mutual Representations in Textbooks (co-ed., Volgograd, Kennan Institute, 2009). Ivan has published articles in the Journal of American History, Problems of Post-Communism, Demokratizatsiya: Journal of Post-Soviet Democratization, and in many Russian academic journals.

Hong Sub Lee is Associate Professor in the Department of International Relations at the Korea National Defense University in Seoul. He will research the prospects for democratization in Russia during his time at IERES. 

Yanan Li is a PhD candidate in diplomacy at the School of International Studies at Peking University in China. She is currently conducting research on China’s foreign policy toward Southeast Asia during the late Cold War. Her areas of interest also include China’s foreign relations and Chinese foreign policy decision-making. She received her MA in Diplomacy and BA in International Politics from the School of International Studies at Peking University.

Katharina Matro is a PhD candidate in Eastern European History at Stanford University. The title of her current research project is “Making Prussia Polish: The Transformation of Rural Communities in Poland’s New Western Territories, 1944-1960.” Her dissertation project examines the transformation of rural communities in the territories accorded to Poland after World War II. In her work, she asks how war, forced migration, and regime change transformed life in the estate villages of the former Prussian nobility.

Niklas Nilsson is a Fulbright Visiting Researcher at IERES, where the working title of his research project is “Democracy and Security in U.S.-Georgia Relations, 2003-2010.” He is a Doctoral Candidate at Uppsala University and Sodertom University, where he focuses on the foreign policy implications of democratic rule-making.
studied through the relationship between the U.S. and Georgia. Other research interests include international relations and security in the Caucasus and Central Asia, and Caspian energy politics. He is also associate editor of the Central Asia—Caucasus Analyst, a biweekly online journal jointly published by SAIS at Johns Hopkins University and the Institute for Security and Development Policy in Stockholm. nnilsson@gwu.edu (September 2012 – May 2013)

Jean-François Ratelle completed his PhD at the University of Ottawa in 2013. His main research interests include the micro-dynamics of violence, civil wars, terrorism, Islamic radicalization, the North Caucasus, and the Balkans. His PhD dissertation deals with the recent upsurge of insurgent violence in the North Caucasus for which he engaged in ethnographic-based research that focused on the pathways toward insurgent participation in Dagestan and in the North Caucasus. He conducted 13 months of research in Russia, including six months in the North Caucasus (Dagestan, Chechnya, and Kabardino-Balkaria). Dr. Ratelle is teaching a graduate course this Spring semester on Conflict and Terrorism in the North Caucasus. ratelle@gwu.edu (September 2012 – August 2014)

Albert Schmidt, Professor Emeritus at the University of Bridgeport, is presently editing an 18th century document on the doctrine of allegiance and its relationship to landholding in southeastern Lincolnshire. He is also continuing to work on his memoir, chronicling a life that began in 1925. Shortly, he will return to a nearly completed essay on 18th century provincial architecture and town planning in Russia. albsch@gwu.edu (September 2012 – December 2015)

Aglaya Snetkov is a Senior Researcher at the Center for Security Studies (CSS) of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich. Her research interests are on Russia and the wider Eurasian region, involving security studies, norms and narratives, and intrastate conflicts. She is currently working on two book projects: the evolution of Russian security policy under Putin and Medvedev, and a workshop/book project entitled The Other Sides of Afghanistan: A Regional Perspective on Security Issues in Afghanistan, which is funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. In addition, she is working on articles on the social construction of the BRIC, interpretivism and Russian foreign policy, and the place of area studies in critical security studies. As well as her own academic research, Snetkov is an editor of the Russian Analytical Digest (RAD). (April – July 2013)

Sufian Zhemukhov is working on a project entitled “Diasporas, Genocide, and International Law: Russia and the Circassian Community in the Global Context.” He defended his PhD at the Institute of Ethnology of the Russian Academy of Sciences in 1997, and has worked in Nalchik as Director of the Teacher Training Institute (2000-2004), and Editor-in-Chief of the newspapers Kabardino-Balkarskaia Pravda (2006-2007) and Voice of Kabarda (since 2011). He recently published an article on modern Circassian nationalism in Nationalities Papers. zhemukho@gwu.edu (October 2012 – December 2013)
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Commentary


Cory Welt quoted by Christian Science Monitor on US-Georgia relations (October 10, 2012).

Cory Welt discusses Georgia’s parliamentary elections on NPR (October 2, 2012).

Cory Welt quoted by CNN on Georgia’s parliamentary elections (September 29, 2012).


Cory Welt quoted in article on US Ambassador to Azerbaijan [in Azerbaijani] (September 6, 2012).

Cory Welt comments on Obama and Romney Russia policy [in Russian] (September 5, 2012).

Arctic Working Group

“Challenges of the Changing Climate: the Russian Perspective,” Oleg Anisimov, Professor of Physical Geography, State Hydrological Institute (Russia), Co-sponsored with: SOAR Funding, November 29, 2012.

Behind the Headlines


“We Are Here: Memories of the Lithuanian Holocaust,” Ellen Cassedy, Author, November 28, 2012.

“Trade in Your Rights: Russia’s Circuitous March to Democracy,” Pavel Khodorkovsky, President, Institute of Modern Russia, November 27, 2012. (Photo, below)

“The Global Cuban Missile Crisis - New Evidence, 50 Years On,” Michael Dobbs, Timothy Naftali, David Coleman, and numerous others, Co-sponsored with: GW History Department, the National Security Archive, and the Woodrow Wilson Center’s Cold War International History Project, October 26, 2012.


Central Asia Program


“Debating ‘Patronal Politics in Central Asia:’ A Demokratizatsiya Special Issue,” Marlene Laruelle, Research Professor, IERES, Erica Marat, American University, Lawrence Markowitz, Rowan University, Sebastien Peyrouse, IERES, Slavomir Horak, Charles University, September 25, 2012.


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“A conversation with François Delattre, Ambassador of France to the United States,” François Delattre, Ambassador of France to the United States, Co-sponsored with the Elliott School’s Ambassadors’ Forum, November 14, 2012. (Photo, below)

“The European Union and International Organizations in a Time of Crisis,” François Rivasseau, Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Head of Delegation of The European Union to the US, Member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament of the UN Secretary General, Former French Ambassador to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva, Romuald Sciora, Director of the French American Global Forum and author of the book Planet UN, Harvey Feigenbaum, IERES, Co-sponsored with: French-American Global Forum, Le Monde Diplomatique, United Nations Association, October 15, 2012. (Photo, below)
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“Territorial Politics and Health Inequalities in France,” Julia Lynch, Associate Professor, University of Pennsylvania, November 30, 2012.


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Post-Communist Politics Social Science Workshop


“Reputation, Responsiveness, and Representation in Party List Construction: Evidence from Lithuania,” Erik Herron, Program Director, National Science Foundation, Discussant: David Lublin, American University, October 9, 2012.

“Identity Divides as Authoritarian Resource: Post-Soviet Cases over 20 Years,” Henry Hale, Associate Professor of Political Science and International Affairs, IERES, Discussant: Cory Welt, IERES, September 11, 2012.

Visiting Scholar Roundtable

“China’s Rediscovery of Southeast Asia,” Yannan Li, PhD Candidate, School of International Studies, Peking University, Co-sponsored with: Sigur Center for Asian Studies, December 13, 2012. (Photo, below)

Highlight

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“Insurgent Violence in the North Caucasus: Pathways and Trajectories Explaining Insurgent Participation,” Jean-François Ratelle, Visiting Scholar, IERES, October 17, 2012. (Photo, below)

“Making Prussia Polish: The Transformation of Rural Communities in Poland’s New Western Territories, 1944-1960,” Katharina Matro, PhD Candidate, Stanford University, September 27, 2012.

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