

Challenges of Plural Societies

IPSA RCs 14, 23, 28, 50 & 53 Colloquium May 28 – 31 2024

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MAY 28 TUESDAY DAY 1	<p>TRIP TO TRANSNISTRIA - PRE-RESERVATION ONLY Please take your passport/travel document along as we will be crossing the border 09:15 DEPART FROM THE UNIVERSITY MAIN BUILDING 19:15 RETURN 19:30 PRE-CONFERENCE DRINKS AT GASTROBAR, STRADA ALEXANDRU BERNARDAZZI 66, CHIȘINĂU</p>			
MAY 29 WEDNES DAY 2	Stream A ONLINE Onsite in: Sala Regina Maria	Stream B Location: Room 514	Stream C Location: Room 516	Stream D Location: Room 511
0815-	<p>Registration & Info Desk Coffee breaks for onsite participants on the second floor of the building Moldova State University, Faculty of Political and Administrative Sciences, Strada Alexei Mateevici 60, 2009 Chișinău</p>			
0900 Moldova Time (CET+1hr)	<p>Location: Sala Regina Maria, Room 137 Main building WELCOME BY THE HOSTS: Prof Igor Șarov, <i>Moldova State University</i>, Rector Prof Alexandru Solcan, <i>Faculty of Political and Administrative Sciences, Moldova State University</i>, Dean Mr Timofey Agarin, <i>Queen's University Belfast</i>, Colloquium convenor</p>			
0930-1045	<p>Location: Sala Regina Maria, Room 137 Main building ROUNDTABLE ONSITE & ONLINE STABILITY AND QUALITY OF DEMOCRACY IN CONTEMPORARY MOLDOVA Chair: Timofey Agarin, <i>Queen's University Belfast</i> Participants: Mr Vasile Șova, <i>Former Deputy Prime Minister of Moldova for Reintegration</i> (Transnistrian settlement process) Ms Arina Craijdan, <i>Moldova State University</i> Ms Natalia Djandjava, <i>Moldova State University</i></p>			
1045-1100	<p>Coffee will be available for onsite participants at this time (second floor of the building)</p>			
1100-1230 Session 1	PLURAL SOCIETIES IN A POPULIST WORLD	MOLDOVA'S CHALLENGES	CHALLENGES TO STATEHOOD IN THE WESTERN BALKANS	[panel in Russian]

	<p>Chair: Ms Sydney Holt, Queen’s University Belfast Discussant: Ms Sheetal Sheena Sookrajowa, <i>University of Mauritius</i> Can multiculturalism help protect Canada from rising populism? <i>Ms Kaylee Brink, Victoria University of Wellington</i> [CET+12] Science-based policy, as long as it's not equity science <i>Mr Andrew Sporle, iNZight Analytics Ltd; The University of Auckland</i> Māori data sovereignty and voter enrolment data in Aotearoa New Zealand: A pathway to increase Māori voter turnout? <i>Ms Lara Greaves, Victoria University of Wellington</i> [CET+12] From religion to ethnonationalism - Civil society-based prevention programming in Bosnia and Herzegovina <i>Ms Laura Welty, The Australian National University</i> [CET +9]</p>	<p>Chair: Mr Tamás Kiss, <i>Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities</i> Discussant: Mr Marko Lehti, <i>Tampere University</i> Languages of regional autonomy <i>Ms Elise Pizzi & Alex Bezahler, University of Iowa</i> Subnational autocratization and ethnic polarization – Evidence from Gagauzia <i>Mr Felix Schulte & Ms Elena Cuijuclu, ECMI Flensburg</i> Memory of the Soviet period in Moldova: How the social trauma and contemporary politics influence the past <i>Ms Anna Vichkitova, Harvard University</i> Nationalizing policy in practice: Transnistrian street-level bureaucrats performing nationhood <i>Mr Stefan Morar, University of Montreal</i></p>	<p>Chair: Mr Laurence Cooley, University of Birmingham Discussant: Mr Roberto Belloni, University of Bologna Populism and the quest for secession: Exploring individual preferences in Republika Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina <i>Mr Semir Dzebo, Central European University</i> The role of the Serbian Party for the Future of Montenegro (NOVA) in shaping Serbian-Montenegrin relations after the 2023 parliamentary elections in Montenegro <i>Ms Mirella Korzeniewska-Wiszniewska, Jagiellonian University</i> Creation of civil society organisations in divided society during the various stages of conflict. Case study of Kosovo <i>Ms Paulina Szelag, University of the National Education Commission, Krakow, Poland</i></p>	<p>Managing Ethnic Diversity across post-Soviet space Chair: Ms Natalia Djandjgava Discussant: Ms Laure Storne Features of the representation of the titular ethnic group and ethnic minorities at the local elected level in the southern region of Kazakhstan <i>Mr Mukhtarbek Shaikemelev, Institute for Philosophy, Political Science and Religious Studies</i> Changes in the language behaviour and language attitude of Ukrainians after February 24 2022 <i>Ms Tetiana Kuznietsova, Borys Grinchenko University Kyiv)</i> Исследование мечты и восприятия времени у молодёжи: кросс-культурный аспект <i>Ms Irina Caunencko, Free International University of Moldova</i></p>
<p>1230-1315</p>	<p>Lunch will be available for onsite participants at this time (second floor of the building)</p>			
<p>1315-1445 Session 2</p>	<p>CONSOLIDATION OF CONSENSUS DEMOCRACIES</p>	<p>SYSTEMIC CONSTRAINTS IN POSTCONFLICT SETTINGS Chair: Ms Elisabeth Alber</p>	<p>MINORITIES AS ROMANIA’S GEOPOLITICAL CHALLENGE</p>	

	<p>Chair: Mr Laurence Cooley, University of Birmingham Discussant: Ms Aleksandra Zdeb, University of the National Education Commission, Krakow Consociational challengers: A typology Mr Matthijs Bogaards, Central European University [CET] Associational power-sharing: Concepts, cases, and performance Mr Alexandre Raffoul, Uppsala University [CET] Why and how do Lebanese elites look for external conflict to reinforce intersect stability Mr Tarek Abou Jaoude, Queen's University Belfast [CET-1] Minority representation via multi-ethnic parties: From the "Malaise Creole" to the Truth and Justice Commission in Mauritius Mr Alexandre Raffoul, Uppsala University and Ms Sheetal Sheena Sookrajowa, University of Mauritius [CET +3]</p>	<p>Discussant: Center-periphery-deep periphery cleavage in Turkey's 2023 elections Ms Oxana Kharitonova, MGIMO University Iraq: Navigating into multifaceted struggles and postcolonial calamities Mr Samer Alnasir, UNED/ Spain Escalation periods in ethnic conflicts: Trigger events and collective emotions Mr Felix Schulte, ECMI The religious influence in the institutional development of the welfare state in the Nordic countries, the case of Finland Mr David Bruna, University of Hamburg</p>	<p>Chair: Ms Anna Vichkitova, Harvard University Discussant: Mr Daniel Bochsler, Central European University & University of Belgrade Essentialist developmentalism and fear of the Great Replacement as reverse (non-white) settler colonization in Transylvania Mr Tamás Kiss, Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities AND Mr Luis Escobedo, University of the Free State In Orbán we trust? Transylvanian Hungarians between two modernization pathways Mr Tibor Toro, Sapientia University Epistemic injustice in Romania's immigration debate: The weaponization of collective memory through film representation Mr Luis Escobedo, University of the Free State, AND Mr Tamás Kiss, Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities</p>	
<p>1445-1500</p>	<p>Coffee will be available for onsite participants at this time (second floor of the building)</p>			
<p>1500-1630 Session 3</p>	<p>POPULISM, POLARIZATION, AND CULTURAL WAR IN BRAZIL-WORLD RELATIONS [CET -6]</p>	<p>DECISION-FINDING IN CONSENSUS DEMOCRACIES Chair: Mr Roberto Belloni, University of Bologna</p>	<p>CHALLENGES FOR DEMOCRATISATION IN THE POST-SOVIET SPACE</p>	<p>THE POLITICS OF THE PAST Chair: Mr Attila Nagy Discussant:</p>

	<p>Chair: Robson Cunha Rael, <i>University of Brasilia (UnB)</i> Discussant: Mr Cassius Chai, <i>Federal University of Maranhao and Vitoria School of Law</i> Bolsonaro and Lula’s foreign affairs and cultural discourse surrounding the globalism versus globalization dichotomy Ms Isabela Rocha, <i>Universidade de Brasília (IPOL-UnB)</i> and Joscimar Souza Silva, <i>Universidade de Brasília (IPOL-UnB)</i> Culture wars beyond borders: Understanding international influences on Brazilian conspiracy theory communities Ergon Cugler, <i>Fundação Getulio Vargas (FGV)</i> Germany and Brazil mediator role through the Russian-Ukrainian conflict Robson Cunha Rael, <i>Universidade de Brasília (IREL-UnB)</i> Exploring aversion: Far-right leaders and indigenous peoples in Brazil - A discourse analysis of Jair Bolsonaro's impact on human security and foreign policy Luis Eduardo Mota Varela, <i>Universidade de Brasília (IPOL-UnB)</i> and Lauro Henrique Gomes</p>	<p>Discussant: Mr Matthijs Bogaards, CEU Executive decision making in sub-national consociations Mr Henry Jarrett, <i>University of Exeter</i> Delusions of liberal consociationalism? Searching for answers in the Western Balkans Ms Aleksandra Zdeb, <i>University of the National Education Commission, Krakow</i> Different shades of green: Agenda setting in Northern Ireland’s Lough Neagh crisis (tbc) Mr Laurence Cooley <i>University of Birmingham</i> and Mr Timofey Agarin, <i>Queen’s University Belfast</i></p>	<p>Chair: Mr Samer Alnasir, <i>UNED/Spain</i> Discussant: Ms Anastasiia Dehterenko, <i>Kuras Institute of Political and Ethnic Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine</i> Democratic transition in Central and Eastern Europe as a threat to Russia’s security: An analysis of the evolution of Russian strategic documents and public discourse after 2007 Mr Marcin Skladanowski, <i>The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin</i> Cultural wars in Eastern Europe or the art of never winning Mr Marius Vacarelu, <i>National School of Political and Administrative Studies, Bucharest, Romania</i> The political situation in the South Caucasus after the takeover of Nagorno-Karabakh by Azerbaijan Ms Elena Onu, <i>National School of Political and Administrative Studies/ SNSPA – Romania</i> Concept of “de facto state” and the impact of Russia-Ukraine War on the future status of Abkhazia</p>	<p>When war memories fail to unite the nation: The evolution of postwar Taiwan society Ms Atsuko Ichijo, <i>Kingston University, London</i> The comradeship narratives disappeared: The identity politics between China and Hungary Mr Jiawei Tang and Mr Fei Vincent Mo, <i>Central European University</i> Textbook analysis of Confucius Institutes in Austria and Hungary from the perspective of strategic narratives Mr Fei Vincent Mo, <i>Central European University</i> Multiculturalism and geographical aggregations: New structurations Mr Orazio Maria Gnerre, <i>University of Perugia</i></p>
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1630-1645	Coffee will be available for onsite participants at this time (second floor of the building)			
1645-1830 Moldova Time (CET+1hr) Session 4	PLENARY ONSITE AND ONLINE Prof Zsuzsa Csergő, Queen’s University Kingston <i>Resilient Minorities: Democratic Agency under Structural Disadvantage</i> Chair: Timofey Agarin, Queen’s U Belfast If you are onsite, you are welcome to join in the Sala Regina Maria , will be also broadcast online.			

MAY 30 THURS DAY 3	Stream A ONLINE Location: Sala Regina Maria	Stream B Location: Room 514	Stream C Location: Room 516	
0830-	Check-in & Info Desk Moldova State University, Faculty of Political and Administrative Sciences, Strada Alexei Mateevici 60, 2009 Chişinău Coffee for onsite participants second floor of the building			
0900-1030 Moldova Time (CET+1hr) Session 5	GROUP IDENTITY AND STATE CONSOLIDATION Chair: Ms Sheetal Sheena Sookrajowa, <i>University of Mauritius</i> Discussant: We against them: Ethnic identity and conflicts in the Sahel <i>Mr Tope Akinyetun, Lagos State University of Education</i> When foreign cultural populism impinges on domestic linguistic affairs: The case of West-Flemish in France <i>Mr Christian-Pierre Ghillebaert, Université de Lille</i> Institutionalized post-conflict: Political legitimacy and integration challenges in Bosnia	THE SOUTH CAUCASUS AS GEOPOLITICAL FLASHPOINT? Chair: Ms Elizabeth Craig Discussant: Mr Stefan Wolff, <i>University of Birmingham, UK</i> Unfrozen conflicts. The shadow of Russia's wars of aggression on South-East Europe and the South Caucasus <i>Mr Daniel Bochsler, Central European University & University of Belgrade</i> The geopolitics of Europe’s protracted conflicts: Contested territories, contested orders <i>Mr Nicholas Barker, University of Birmingham</i> “Muscular mediation” in Nagorno-Karabakh	CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL CHALLENGES IN MOLDOVA Chair: Mr George Goradze, <i>Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University, Tbilisi, Georgia</i> Discussant: Mr Tamás Kiss, <i>Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities</i> What is identity? Reflections on the Moldovan/Bessarabian identity(ies) between 1812 and the present day <i>Ms Valeria Chelaru, Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca</i> The security policy of the Republic of Moldova in the context of European integration <i>Ms Diana Hirbu, State University of Moldova AND Mr Marcel</i>	

	<p>and Herzegovina, Northern Macedonia, and Kosovo <i>Mr Stefan Surlic, University of Belgrade</i> Challenges of plural society: A case study of India—World’s largest democracy <i>Mr Bipin Kumar Thakur, University of Delhi [CET +4.5]</i></p>	<p><i>Mr Alan Kuperman, University of Texas at Austin</i></p>	<p><i>Bencheci, State University of Moldova</i> Human security priorities in new candidate states through the lens of the EU enlargement perspective <i>Mr Serghei Sprincean, State University of Moldova</i></p>	
<p>1030-1045</p>	<p>Coffee will be available for onsite participants at this time (second floor of the building)</p>			
<p>1045-1215 (=UK +2hrs) Session 6</p>	<p>ETHNOPOLITICAL POLARISATION IN POSTSOVIET SPACE Chair: <i>Mr Christian-Pierre Ghillebaert, Université de Lille</i> Discussant: <i>Ms Anastasiia Dehterenko</i> Ukraine: Preventing affective polarization in a country at war <i>Ms Natalia Kononenko, Kuras Institute of Political and Ethnic Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine [CET +1]</i> The human security dimension in the context of the war in Ukraine: Between vulnerabilities and resilience <i>Ms Ruslana GROSU, Armed Forces Military Academy "Alexandru cel Bun" [CET+1]</i> The impact of the Russian-Ukrainian war in the Eastern Balkans: The cases of Romania, Bulgaria, and Moldova</p>	<p>POSTCONFLICT DIVERSITY AND ACCOMMODATION Chair: <i>Ms Elise Pizzi</i> Discussant: <i>Mr Nicholas Barker</i> Post-coup federal design in Myanmar <i>Mr Michael Breen, University of Melbourne</i> Post-conflict peace agreements in ethnically plural societies <i>Mr Attila Nagy, University in Jena</i> Post-conflict state-building in the Middle East: A case of Turkoman minorities in Iraq and Syria <i>Ms Irina Kudryashova, Moscow State Institute of International Relations (university)</i></p>	<p>BOOK PANEL NEUTRALITY & SOVEREIGNTY: (Chisinau, 2024) <i>Mr Nicolai Țveatcov (Research Professor), and Mr Anatoli Tcaci Moldova State University</i> Discussants: <i>Ms Inna Șupac, Expert, Institute for Strategic Initiatives (IPIS)</i> <i>Mr Ion Tabîrța, Director of Information and Documentation Centre on NATO from Moldova</i> <i>Mr Stefan Wolff, University of Birmingham, UK</i></p>	

	Mr Paolo Pizzolo, <i>Jagiellonian University of Krakow</i> [online]			
1215-1300	Lunch will be available for onsite participants at this time (second floor of the building)			
1300-1430 (=UK +2hrs) Session 7	<p>INDIGENEITY AND POLITICAL PARTICIPATION IN LATIN AMERICA Chair: Ms Isabela Rocha, <i>Universidade de Brasília (IPOL-UnB)</i> Discussant: Lip service or recommitment? An analysis of three forms of Tribal consultation <i>Mx Dani Delaney, Queen's University</i> Territorializing bodies, health and development narratives: Meetings with communities in Baixo Tapajós affected by infrastructure projects <i>Mr Matheus Silveira, Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro</i> An analysis of the influence of social inequality and cultural diversity on democratic participation and representation in Brazil <i>Mr Cassius Chai, Federal University of Maranhao and Vitoria School of Law [CET-4]</i></p>	<p>REGION'S FRAGILITY DURING THE WAR IN UKRAINE Chair: Mr Stefan Wolff, <i>University of Birmingham, UK</i> Discussant: How are discourses of Russian nationalism(s) being mobilized in the wake of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in 2022? <i>Mr Jack Cathcart, University of Bristol</i> Geopolitics and the end of Russian-language education in Estonia and Latvia <i>Mr Vello Pettai, European Centre for Minority Issues</i> Language policies and insecurities in Ukraine <i>Mr Andrea Carlà, Eurac Research - Institute for Minority Rights</i> AND Mr Sergiu Constantin, Eurac Research - Institute for Minority Rights Ethnopolitical aspect of the activities carried out by the territorial communities of Ukrainian Northern Pryazov'ye: Migration and ethnopolitical management <i>Ms Anastasiia Dehterenko, Kuras Institute of Political and Ethnic</i></p>	<p>THE ACCOMMODATION OF DIVERSITY IN CENTRIFUGAL SOCIETIES Chair: Mr Timofey Agarin, <i>Queen's University Belfast</i> Discussant: Mr Laurence Cooley, <i>University of Birmingham</i> Marching backwards? The Orange Order, culture wars and the peace process in Northern Ireland <i>Mr Roberto Belloni, University of Bologna</i> What role for minority rights in a polarised world? Lessons from Northern Ireland, North Macedonia and Ukraine <i>Ms Elizabeth Craig, University of Sussex</i> Social construct? An exploration of identity as a tool of policy <i>Ms Sydney Holt, Queen's University Belfast</i></p>	

		<i>Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine</i>		
1430-1445	Coffee will be available for onsite participants at this time (second floor of the building)			
1445-1615 Session 8	<p>ELITES AND NARRATIVES Chair: Mr Henry Jarrett, University of Exeter Discussant: Mr Alexandre Raffoul, Uppsala University The existence of a civic tribune within systems of power-sharing: The implications of intra-bloc contestation between Northern Irish political parties who identify as neither Nationalist nor Unionist <i>Mr Rowan Fitton, Independent scholar [CET-1]</i> The spirit of accommodation under threat? A longitudinal analysis of Belgian MPs' interactions in parliamentary speeches (1962-2023) <i>Mr Ward Peeters, University of Ghent [CET]</i> Reporting from a citizens' assembly in an unlikely place: Few answers, more questions <i>Ms Ann-Mireille Sautter, UC Louvain & KU Leuven [CET]</i> Responding to Russian strategic narratives and disinformation in North-East Europe: The Republic of Moldova and Latvia, 2021-2024</p>	<p>FROM ANTAGONISM TO AGONISM: ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES TO DIALOGUE AND PEACEBUILDING WITHIN UKRAINE, MOLDOVA AND SOUTH CAUCASUS Chair: Mr Marko Lehti, <i>Tampere University</i> Discussant: Ms Tetiana Kalenychenko, <i>Sankt Ignatios College (Sweden)</i> Sustaining agonistic peace in time of the inter-state war: Ukrainian community of dialogue practitioners as inside mediators <i>Mr Denys Brylov, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine</i> <i>Ms Tetiana Kalenychenko, Sankt Ignatios College (Sweden) and Mr Marko Lehti, Tampere University</i> Cross-regional dialogue in the framework of hybrid peace <i>Ms Tanja Tamminen, University of Turku</i> Empowering local agency in practices of dialogue and mediation: A case study of Gagauzia autonomy in Moldova <i>Ms Natalia Djangjgava Moldova State University</i></p>	<p>CHALLENGES OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT Chair: Ms Irina Caunenکو Discussant: Mr Mukhtarbek Shaikemelev Interaction between political PR and political agenda-setting from the perspective of the presidential elections in the Republic of Moldova <i>Ms Aurelia Preu-Balan, State University of Moldova</i> Main political conflicts and trends of development in the post-Soviet area: Current state and perspectives <i>Ms Mariana Iatco, Moldova State University</i> Gender and national minorities issues in governmental politics and political parties programmes in Moldova <i>Ms Arina Kraijdan, Centre for Continuous Electoral Training, Republic of Moldova</i> The role of UN human rights protection mechanisms in building gender-inclusive societies: Experience of Moldova and Armenia</p>	

	Mr Juris Pupcenoks & Ms Izabella Bolczak, <i>Marist College [CET -6]</i>		Ms Iuliana Abramova, University of European Studies of Moldova	
1615-1630	Coffee will be available for onsite participants at this time (second floor of the building)			
1630 -1800 (=UK +2hrs) Session 9	ROUNDTABLE ONSITE ONLY – Sala Regina Maria, 137 Main building CHALLENGES OF MOLDOVA’S EUROPEAN INTEGRATION Chair: Timofey Agarin Participants: <i>Ms Cristina Gherasimov, Deputy Minister for European Integration, Republic of Moldova</i> <i>Mr Jānis Mažeiks, Head of the EU Delegation</i> <i>Prof Stefan Wolff, University of Birmingham, UK</i> If you are onsite, you are welcome to join us in the Sala Regina Maria, 137 Main building			
From 19:30	CONFERENCE DINNER – PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY RESTORANT TAIFAS - Strada București 67, Chișinău, Moldova https://www.facebook.com/taifas.md/photos/?ref=page_internal			

MAY 31 FRIDAY DAY 4	TRIP TO GAGAUZIA 08:30 DEPARTURE FROM THE UNIVERSITY MAIN BUILDING 15:15 DEPARTURE FOR THE AIRPORT (ARRIVAL AIRPORT 16:45) 1830 DEPARTURE FROM COMRAT FOR CHISINAU (ARRIVAL 20:30)
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