

Joint seminar at the Pskov State University (Russia)

Summer term 2015

Legal and institutional preconditions  
for sustainable development in Russia  
(Master)

September 13-20, 2015



### **Class description**

The transition from centrally planned to market economies, which has been lasting longer than two decades, showed us how important institutional market support is for a successful transition.

The class will specify necessary institutions and describe the multiple legal, institutional and economic reforms needed to be undertaken as part of Russia’s transition to a market economy. Another focal point encompasses the important and sometimes non-obvious synergies between different reform elements. We will stress the complexity of reform, the interrelatedness of reform elements and the importance of anti-corruption measures. Based on the perspective of (new) institutional economics and other theories of (new) development economics, an economic analysis of development processes will be complemented with legal, political, sociological and institutional approaches.

This master’s course is a joint German-Russian seminar. 15 students of Viadrina European University and 15 students of Pskov State University will study together during the eight sessions to be held in Pskov. The course is financially supported by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and part of the project “EuroFaculty Pskov” financed by the Council of the Baltic Sea States.

Lecturers: Stefan Hanisch (Viadrina European University Frankfurt (Oder), Kelso-Professorship of Comparative Law, East European Business Law and European Legal Policy)

Dr. Liudmila Danilenko (Pskov State University, Faculty of Finance and Economics)

### **Participation requirements, performance test and credits**

M.A. students of Viadrina European University are allowed to participate in the course. The working language of the seminar will be English. Proficiency in English is required. Proficiency or reading comprehension of Russian is not obligatory, but would be an asset.

ECTS: 6/9 → regular attendance; presentation (30% of grade), contributions to discussion (10%) and term paper (60%)

MES modules: ZB Wirtschaft; ZB Politik; ZB Recht; WPM 2, 5, 6

IBA modules: S-Modul; old SPO also E-Modul

Each participant is expected to present a paper in Pskov, which later on or beforehand is to be submitted in an extended and more detailed written form. Topics and tasks will be assigned to the participants during the four introductory sessions. Comparative research on other economies in transition than Russia is welcome.

### **Workload and sessions**

Workload: 14 sessions of 1.5 hours each

<b>Introductory sessions</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> session	Monday, May 18, 16:00-17:30, Room PG 271
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> session	Friday, May 29, 13:30-17:00, Room PG 271
4 <sup>th</sup> session	Wednesday, July 1, 16:00-17:30, Room PG 271
<b>Excursion to Pskov/Russia</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> session	September 14-17, 2015 (Monday-Thursday) September 13-20, 2015 (Period of excursion)
<b>Follow-up sessions</b>	
13 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> session	Monday, September 28, 13:30-17:00

In Pskov, as a rule, the class will take place in the evening. From Monday to Thursday, each day, 18:00-21:30, two sessions will be held, which amounts to a total of eight sessions in Pskov.

The mornings and afternoons will be available for individual preparation and follow-up. Pskov State University will organise some city tours, etc.

### **Application for the joint seminar**

Students who wish to participate in the joint seminar attend the 1<sup>st</sup> introductory session (Monday, May 18, 16:00-17:30, Room PG 271). Stefan Hanisch will introduce you to the syllabus and detailed participation requirements. Afterwards, apply sending an e-mail to [hanisch@europa-uni.de](mailto:hanisch@europa-uni.de). In this e-mail, please shortly summarize your motivation, study background, relevant knowledge and skills; attach your CV and an electronic copy of your passport (with a minimum validity of 6 months after visa expiry).

The number of participants from Viadrina European University is limited to 15 students.

### **Deadline for the e-mail application: May 22, 2015**

The letters of acceptance will be sent by the Department of International Affairs by May 25, 2015.

## **Financial issues**

All accepted participants will receive a grant funded by the DAAD. The grant will cover transportation (up to a maximum of 275 Euro). At current prices, the maximum travel allowance will easily cover the costs of a round-trip flight from Berlin to St Petersburg and back. In case the flight ticket costs 175 Euro, the “saved” 100 Euro will not be paid out. If the travel expenses will exceed the maximum travel allowance of 275 Euro, the participant has to pay the differential amount.

Additionally, every student will receive an allowance for accommodation and subsistence costs. The lump sum of 225 Euro is at own disposal and does not need to be accounted after the excursion. If you spend less than 225 Euro, you can keep the differential amount. The allowance for accommodation and subsistence costs will be paid out shortly before departure to Russia.

## **Visa**

Visa will be provided free of charge. The Department of International Affairs will organize visa for the whole joint seminar group. Once you received the letter of acceptance of the Department of International Affairs by May 25, 2015, please submit a hardcopy of the following documents on **Thursday, May 28, 2015 / 13:00-17:00, to Ms Iuliia Sadrieva in room AM 207:**

- seminar application form, duly signed / Anmeldung (see page 7)
- letter of commitment, duly signed / Verpflichtungserklärung (see page 8)
- emergency addresses form, duly signed / Formular der Notfalladressen (see page 9)
- original and copy of your passport: Please also send a scanned copy of your passport to [intoffice@europa-uni.de](mailto:intoffice@europa-uni.de). The original passport must be valid at least for 6 more months (at least till end of March 2016).

Note: In case you do not have a passport, yet, you need to apply for it before May 28, 2015. The original passport needs to be submitted to the Department of International Affairs on May 28, 2015. Due to logistics and time, we cannot make exceptions.

- passport photo (size: 3,5 x 4,5 cm; frontal in front of a bright background, without head cover or dimming glasses)
- visa application form, duly signed:  
<https://visa.kdmid.ru/PetitionChoice.aspx?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1>

Please note the following instructions for filling in the visa application form:

Visa application form instructions	
Travel period	September 11-23, 2015
Purpose of visit (section)	Science-Culture-Sport-Religion
Purpose of visit	Scientific-Technical Relations
Visa category and type	Common Humanitarian
Number of entries	Single
Date of entry into Russia	11.09.2015
Date of exit from Russia	23.09.2015
Date of birth	If your birthplace is not situated in Germany, please indicate birthplace and country.
Which institution you are going to visit?	"Organization": Pskov State University, Lenin Square 2, 180000 Pskov
Itinerary (places of visit)	St Petersburg – Pskov – St Petersburg
Residential address	Please note that you <u>must</u> indicate your phone number and e-mail address.

**Note:** In case you wish the registration form, letter of commitment form and emergency addresses form in English, please send an e-mail to [intoffice@europa-uni.de](mailto:intoffice@europa-uni.de).

**Non-EU citizens:** Please note, due to legal reasons the Department of International Affairs cannot apply for visa for non-EU citizens. Non-EU students who wish to participate in the joint seminar have to apply by themselves for the visa.

### **Transportation**

The Department of International Affairs will book and pay the flights for all participants. Additionally, the Department of International Affairs will organise the bus transportation from St Petersburg to Pskov and back. Differential amounts or cancelation fees have to be borne by the student (see above). Prepayments etc. are not necessary.

### **Accommodation**

In Pskov, the students will be accommodated at the guesthouse of Pskov State. The guesthouse is located in the city centre, close to the university campus. The rooms in the guesthouse are triple and four-bed rooms. Showers are located on the hallway. The costs amount to approx. 10 Euro per night (approx. 50 Euro for five days). Possible cancelation fees have to be paid by the student (see above). The accommodation will be booked by the Department of International Affairs of Viadrina European University.

## **Contact persons**

For questions regarding the class, syllabus and requirements:

Europa-Universität Viadrina  
Faculty of Business Administration and Economics  
Kelso Professorship of Comparative Law, East European Business Law and European Legal Policy  
Dipl. iur. Stefan Hanisch  
Logenstraße 9-10, Room PG 270,  
Tel.: 0335 / 5534 2566  
[hanisch@europa-uni.de](mailto:hanisch@europa-uni.de)

For questions regarding the organisation of the joint seminar and the DAAD grant:

Europa-Universität Viadrina  
Abteilung für Internationale Angelegenheiten  
Rebekka Manke / Grietje Zimmermann  
Tel.: 0335 / 5534 2462  
[manke@europa-uni.de](mailto:manke@europa-uni.de) / [intoffice@europa-uni.de](mailto:intoffice@europa-uni.de)

## **!Anmeldung: Deadline: 28. Mai 2015!**

<b>Vorname</b>	
<b>Name</b>	
<b>Matrikelnummer</b>	
<b>Studiengang</b>	
<b>E-Mail</b>	
<b>Mobilfunknummer</b>	
<b>Skype-Adresse</b>	
<b>Name der Bank</b>	
<b>IBAN</b>	
<b>BIC</b>	

Ort, Datum:

Unterschrift:

Am **28. Mai 2015 im Zeitraum von 13-17 Uhr** sind folgende Unterlagen bei Iuliia Sadrieva in der Abteilung für Internationale Angelegenheiten (Raum AM 207) einzureichen:

- Ausgefüllte und unterschriebene Anmeldung (Seite 7)
- Ausgefüllte und unterschriebene Verpflichtungserklärung (Seite 8)
- Ausgefülltes Formular der Notfalladressen (Seite 9)
- Kopie Ihres Reisepasses (mind. gültig bis Ende März 2016 / Achtung: Wer noch nicht im Besitz eines gültigen Reisepasses ist, muss diesen bis spätestens 28. Mai 2015 vorliegen haben. Eine Neubeantragung danach ist aus zeitlichen Gründen nicht mehr möglich.)
- Visumsantrag (Link zum Visumsantrag:  
<https://visa.kdmid.ru/PetitionChoice.aspx>)

## Verpflichtungserklärung

### Seminarteilnahme im Rahmen des Projektes „EuroFaculty Pskov“ / Blockseminar an der Staatlichen Universität Pskov (Russland)

Hiermit bestätige ich

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(Vorname, Name)

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(Matrikelnummer)

dass ich darüber informiert bin, dass meine Teilnahme am Blockseminar „Legal and institutional preconditions for sustainable development in Russia“, vom 13. bis 20. September 2015 an der Staatlichen Universität Pskov/Russland, im Rahmen des Projektes „EuroFaculty Pskov“ folgendermaßen gefördert wird:

- maximal 275,- EUR Reisekostenzuschuss
- 225,- EUR Stipendium für die Aufenthaltskosten in Russland

Mir ist bewusst, dass mit meiner verbindlichen Anmeldung, die Abteilung für Internationale Angelegenheiten der Europa-Universität Viadrina die Buchung des Fluges Berlin - St. Petersburg - Berlin übernimmt. Ich verpflichte mich, Flugkosten die über den geförderten Betrag von 275,- EUR hinausgehen, der Europa-Universität Viadrina zu erstatten. Ebenso verpflichte ich mich, sollte ich nicht an dem Seminar teilnehmen, die vollen Reisekosten sowie das Stipendium für die Aufenthaltskosten an die Viadrina zurückzuzahlen.

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(Ort, Datum)

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(Unterschrift)



## Notfalladresse(n)

Bitte geben Sie an, wer während Ihrer Teilnahme an dem Blockseminar „Legal and institutional preconditions for sustainable development in Russia“ in Pskov/Russland (13.-20. September 2015) im Rahmen des „EuroFaculty Pskov“-Projektes im Falle eines Notfalls (Krankheit, Unfall, etc.) ggf. zu benachrichtigen ist.

**Name:**

**Vorname:**

**Straße, Hausnummer:**

**PLZ, Ort:**

**Telefonnummer:**

**Handynummer:**

**E-Mail-Adresse:**

**Verwandtschaftsgrad/Beziehung zu der angegebenen Person:**

**Weitere Anmerkungen:**

**Name:**

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