Institute of Middle East, Central Asia and Caucasus Studies (MECACS)

Second Semester Events 2016/17

Monday 13 February (week 3)
Seminar Room 4, Arts Building, 5.00pm
James Kilner, editor, The Conway Bulletin, journalist (inter alia) The Times, Economist Intelligence Unit, Daily Telegraph, & Reuters, covering Russia, North/South Caucasus
“Reporting Central Asia” and an opportunity for discussion on region-based journalist work
Chair: Prof Rick Fawn

Tuesday 14 February (week 3)
Seminar Room 1, Arts Building, 4.00pm
Ambassador Roy Reeve, previously inter alia: UK Ambassador to Ukraine; Head of the OSCE Mission to Georgia; Head of the OSCE Mission to Armenia; United Kingdom Delegation to the CSCE Preparatory Talks and Geneva negotiations, culminating in the Helsinki Final Act in 1975
“The role of IOs in the post Soviet space – help or hindrance?”
Chair: Prof Rick Fawn

Wednesday 22 February (week 5)
Arts Lecture Theatre, 2.00-6.00pm
Roundtable: Threats to Stability in Wider Europe
Keynote: “How the EU is handling threats to stability in wider Europe?”
Dr Dominika Krois, (Policy Officer – OSCE at the European External Action Service (EEAS), Samuel Doveri Vesterbye and Andreas Marazis, European Neighbourhood Council.
Prof. Rick Fawn, Jason Bruder, Shair Dzhuраev, Karolina Kluczewska, Nina Lutterjohn, St Andrews
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Thursday 2 March (week 6)
Seminar Room 4, Arts Building, 4.00pm
Dr Reem Abou-El-Fadl, School of Oriental and African Studies
“Solidarity and Resistance in 1970s Egypt”
Chair: Prof Ray Hinnebusch

Tuesday 7 March (week 7)
Seminar Room 1, Arts Building, 4.00pm
Dr Laurence Broers, Chatham House, co-editor, Caucasus Survey
“Affective dispositions and the role of emotions in Armenian-Azerbaijani violence 1988-1990”
Chair: Prof Rick Fawn

Tuesday 11 April (week 10)
Seminar Room 1, Arts Building, 4.00pm
Dr Teije Hidde Donker, Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway.
“Governance and Islamism in North-Syria: The Impact of Daesh”
Chair: Prof Ray Hinnebusch
Tuesday, 18 April (week 11)
Seminar Room 1, Arts Building, 4.00pm

Khuloud Saba, Global Public Health Unit, School of Social and Political Science, University of Edinburgh

“The Conflict in Syria, War on Terror Discourse: The Role of Global Actors and the implications for population health”
Chair: Prof Ray Hinnebusch

All welcome. For further queries on the programme please contact mecacs@st-and.ac.uk and visit the website, http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/mecacs/