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# WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER 2024

## RUSSIAN CITIZENS ABROAD: STANCES ON THE WAR WITHIN ÉMIGRÉ COMMUNITIES

9h30

Reception

10h00

Introduction

10h15

**Panel 1 - Perceptions of war as strategies of belonging in migration**

Discussion : **Olga Bronnikova** (Bordeaux Montaigne University)

**Sarah Gruszka** (EHESS/Sorbonne University / RUS-OP 2022 project), **Bella Delacroix Ostromoukhova** (Sorbonne University/ RUS-OP 2022 project)

“Negotiating the place of politics in Russian emigration to France. A study of regional situations (Grand-Est and Bretagne)”

**Julia Lerner** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel/Sorbonne University), **Anna Novikova** (The State Institute for Art Studies, Russia), **Varvara Preter** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel)

“The pendulum of affective citizenship amidst the turbulence of war and migration: Russian media figures in Israel”

**Olivier Ferrando** (Catholic University of Lyon, France)

“Russian’ Migrants in Central Asia: Between Allegiance and Distrust in Citizenship of a State at War”

12h00

Lunch

13h30

**Panel 2 - Troubled identity: Emotional aspects of attitudes to war in the diaspora**

Discussion : **Michele Baussant** (CNRS, ENS)

**Veronika Kostenko** (Tel Aviv University, Israel)

“From ‘This cannot be true’ to ‘This was a watershed moment in my life’: First feelings about the war and their evolution amongst Russian emigrants”

**Oleg Reut** (Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany)

“Escape to live and die: Memory, commemoration, and migration in the new Russian diaspora”

**Anna Yurikhina** (University of Buenos Aires, Argentina / DITALC)

“Nation, War, and Sexuality: Anthropological Insights into the Migration of Russian LGBTQ+ Asylum Seekers and Refugees to Argentina during the War in Ukraine (2022–2024)”

**Violetta Soboleva** (CUNY Graduate center, New York, USA)

“Exploration of Russian Fulbright students: war-related experiences”

15h45

Coffee break

16h15

Roundtable

Documenting and dissecting stances through journalistic and documentary investigations within Russia and in the diaspora

Moderator : **Bella Delacroix Ostromoukhova** (Sorbonne University, RUS-OP 2022 Project)

**Veronika Dorman** (co-director of the documentary film *La Russie, un peuple qui marche au pas* and author of the eponymous book), **Andrei Loshak** (director of the documentary film *Razryv svyazi*), **Sergey Parkhomenko** (journalist), **Etienne Bouche** (journalist).

18h00

**Projection of Andrei Loshak's documentary *Razryv svyazi***  
(Broken Ties, 1:40), 2022

## THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER 2024

### HOW DO RUSSIANS IN RUSSIA PERCEIVE THE WAR IN UKRAINE: GENERAL AND LOCAL DYNAMICS

#### Panel 3. Stances on war and life experience in Russian cities

Discussion : **Anna Kuleshova** (Sociologist Social Foresight Group, journalist)

9h15

#### Public sociology laboratory panel

**Svetlana Erpyleva** (University of Bremen, Germany / PSlab)

“The dynamics of Russians’ perception of the Russo-Ukrainian war”

**Yakov Lourie** (University of Amsterdam, Netherland / PSlab)

“War as a non-event? The case of a small town in the Sverdlovsk oblast”

**Irina Kozlova** (Moscow / collaborating with PSlab)

“Between prosperity and proximity: war perception in Krasnodar Krai”

11h00

#### Coffee break

11h30

**Anna Zaytseva** (University of Toulouse Jean Jaurès / RUS-OP 2022 Project)

“Social relations in a situation of uncertainty: the case of skilled professionals in Saint Petersburg (2022-2024)”

**Mikhail Rozhanskiy** (independent researcher, Irkutsk, Russia)

“Normalizing the impossible. War as a point of no return?”

12h45

#### Lunch

14h30

#### Panel 4 - Russian Citizens (Dis)approving the War : Justifications and Arguments

Discussion : **Gilles Favarel-Garrigues** (CNRS-Sciences po)

**Anna Kirziuk** (Moscow, Russia)

“They always hated us’: Personal narratives to justify the war”

**Alexandra Arkhipova** (ENS, Paris)

“Snitches and Denunciations in Contemporary Russia: 2022-2024”

**Anna Mariia Filippova** (Center of Independent Social Research, Armenia) and **Dina**

**Bolokan** (University of Bath, Suisse)

“Strategies and justifications of conscientious objectors’ escape from war in Russia”

**Arsenii Verkeev** (independent scholar)

“Constructing (dis)approval of war: Depictions of public opinion polls in Russian media”

16h45

#### Coffee break

17h00

#### Panel 5 - Shaping the Russian Youth’s representations

Discussion : **Julie Hemment** (University of Massachusetts, USA)

**Anna Kolotovkina** (independent scholar)

“Let’s Learn, let’s Mourn, let’s Celebrate: Diverse mythscapes in Russian schools during the war in Ukraine”

**Vladimir Kozlov** (Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European studies, Germany)

“Indoctrination of youth in Russia: Will it achieve loyalty or hatred?”

**Roman Smirnov** (Free University of Berlin, Germany)

“How easy it was to just ... let go. How Russian scholars endure politicization and isolation”

18h30

#### Cocktail buffet

## FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER 2024

### ON BOTH SIDES OF THE BORDER

9h30

#### Panel 6 - Moral, personal, and professional commitments

Discussion : **Michele Rivkin-Fish** (University of North Carolina, USA)

**Charlotte Souyris** (Paris Institute of Political Studies, France)

“It’s clear. I have to leave the country—now.: sustaining and redefining political engagement for Russians Who Chose Exile after February 24, 2022”

**Alexandra Yatsyk** (Lille University / CNRS, France)

“LGBTIQ Russophones after Russian full-fledged invasion of Ukraine: Self-identification and resistance in times of war”

#### *Coffee break*

**Antoine Nicolle** (National Institute for Oriental Languages and Civilizations, France)

“Mapping Russian writers’ (dis)commitments after February 24”

**Vlada Baranova** (Hamburg University, Germany / “Exodus-22”)

“Language Activists in Russia and in Emigration: Transformation of Stances and Collaboration”

12h30

#### *Lunch*

14h00

#### Panel 7 - Political and civil positioning in personal life

Discussion : **Julia Lerner** (Ben Gurion University, Israel/Sorbonne University, France)

**Elena Korkina** (independent researcher)

“The experience of living and producing crisis temporality: Coping with temporal breakdowns and the temporal politics of the state”

**Anna Kuleshova** (Sociologist Social Foresight Group, journalist), **Polina Aronson** (independent researcher)

“Love during wartime: Transformations in Russians’ intimate lives”

**Michele Rivkin-Fish** (University of North Carolina, USA), **Sergei Zakharov** (Strasbourg University, France)

“Discerning Russians’ reproductive decisions amidst invasive pronatalism, the repression of free speech, and war”

15h45

#### *Coffee break*

16h00

#### Final discussion

Studying Russians’ stances towards the war in Ukraine and Russia’s authoritarian regime: methodological and ethical issues

Moderator: **Timur Atnashev** (University of Toulouse Jean Jaurès / FRAMESPA, RUS-OP 2022 Project)

**Yakov Lurie** and **Svetlana Yerpyleva** (PSLab project), **Zuzanna Bogumil** (University of Warsaw, Poland), **Julie Hemment** (University of Massachusetts, USA), **Anna**

**Kuleshova** (Sociologist Social Foresight Group, journalist).



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