Sexual Politics and LGBTQ+ issues in Russia

Wednesday 1 May, 9:30-13:00

09:15-09:30   Arrival and coffee

09:30-11:00   Session 1: Social and political context to LGBTQ+ issues
   • Attitudes towards LGBTQ+ in Russia
   • 2013 legislation and its aftermath
   • LGBTQ+ and the Russian media
   • (In)visibility of LGBTQ+ communities in Russia

Speakers:

Galina Miazhevich, University of Cardiff, UK
Vlad Strukov, University of Leeds, UK

Chair: James Nixey, Head, Russia and Eurasia Programme, Chatham House

11:00-11:30   Coffee

11:30-13:00   Session 2: Case studies, international implications...and the future
   • Violence against LGBTQ+ in Russia
   • Legal aspects
   • International context
   • ‘Resistance’

Speakers:

Alexander Kondakov, Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, Finland
Dmitri Bartenev, Legal expert, ONEGIN Group Law Office, St. Petersburg, Russia

Chair: Galina Miazhevich, University of Cardiff, UK

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