The Practice of Law and Justice in Russia
(from the 18th century to the present)

Conference Program

Institutions sponsoring the event:
Fritz Thyssen Stiftung, German Historical Institute Moscow (DHI), Centre Franco-Russe en sciences humaines et sociales (Moscou), CERCEC (EHESS, Paris)

Thursday, 26 May 2011

10.00 Welcome: Nikolaus Katzer (DHI), Jean Radvany (Centre Franco-Russe)
Short introduction and organizational remarks

Panel 1: Concepts and practices of law in the 18th century

10.30-10.55 Галина Бабкова / Евгений Акельев (Москва): «Дабы розыски и пытки могли чиниться порядочно, как указы повелевают»: эволюция идеологии и повседневной практики «розыскового» процесса первой половины XVIII в.

10.55-11.20 Алена Бревер (Бохум): Представления о праве, справедливости и власти в челобитных и жалобах XVIII века в России

11.20-11.45 Marianna Murav’eva (Helsinki): Investigating Sex Crimes in 18th Century Russia: Legal Procedure and Community Responses

11.45-12.30 Discussion

12.30-13.30 Lunch
Panel 2: Multiple legal regimes in the 18th and 19th centuries: center and periphery, rule of law and administration

13.30-13.55 Виталий Воропанов (Челябинск): Региональный фактор становления и развития судебной системы Российской империи на Урале и в западной Сибири в XVIII–первой половине XIX века

13.55-14.20 Виктория Ефимова (Петрозаводск): Судебные полномочия генерал-губернаторов: закон и практика (на примере деятельности архангельских, вологодских и олонецких генерал-губернаторов в 1-й третий XIX в.)

14.20-15.00 Discussion

15.00-15.30 Coffee Break

Panel 3: Legal professions and educated society in the 19th and early 20th centuries

15.30-15.55 Vera Dubina (Moskva): “My Comrades and me, we are Lawyers”: the pravovedy Circle among the Russian 19th Century Bureaucratic Elite

15.55-16.20 Kathleen Parthé (Rochester NY): Writer vs. Lawyer: Competing Understandings in the Pre-Revolutionary Search for Justice


16.45-17.30 Discussion

19.00 Dinner

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Panel 4: Codification, implementation and practices of law in the 19th and 20th centuries: continuities and breaks

09.30-09.55 Angela Rustemeyer (Wien): Popular Witnessing and its Uses from the Enlightenment to the October Revolution

09.55-10.20 Tatiana Borisova (St. Peterburg): Publication of Legislation in Russia and the Challenges of its Implementation, 1864-1937

10.20-11.00 Discussion

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break
Panel 5: Revolutionary transformation of law and justice


12.20-13.00  Discussion

13.00-14.00  Lunch

Panel 6: Creating and implementing law and justice in and after the Second World War


14.50-15.30  Discussion

15.30-16.00  Coffee Break

Panel 7: Practices of law and rituals of justice in the late Stalin period


17.15-18.00  Discussion
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Panel 8: Practices of socialist legality (from the 1950s to the 1980s)

10.00-10.25 Елена Богданова (СПб.): Обращение граждан в органы власти как опыт отстаивания своих интересов в условиях позднесоветского общества (1960-1970-е гг.)

10.25-10.50 Corinna Kuhr-Korolev (Bochum): Social Justice and Socialist Legality in Soviet Russia after Stalin

10.50-11.15 Kirsten Bönker (Bielefeld): Mass Media, Political Communication and Concepts of Consumer Rights and Consumer Protection in the Late Soviet Union

11.15-12.00 Discussion

12.00-13.00 Lunch

Panel 9: Legality and Violence in the Russian Federation


13.25-13.50 Kirill Titaev (St. Peterburg): How the Commercial Court Make a Decision: Extralegal Factors which Determine the Conclusion of the Dispute


14.15-15.00 Discussion

15.00-15.30 Coffee break

15.30-16.30 Concluding Discussion and Remarks