

# Phantom Borders in the Political Behaviour and Electoral Geography in East Central Europe

November 14-15, 2013

European University Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder) and Collegium Polonicum, Słubice



## Preliminary Program

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A conference of the Centre Marc Bloch in Berlin, funded by the German Federal Ministry for Education and Research, in cooperation with the Viadrina Center B/ORDERS IN MOTION, the European University Viadrina, the Collegium Polonicum, the Université Paris 8 and the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań.



**Wednesday, November 13**

Arrival of the participants; Meeting in the Oderturm in Frankfurt (Oder) at 8 p.m., optional

**Thursday, November 14** (European University Viadrina, Senatssaal, Große Scharrnstr. 59, 15230 Frankfurt/Oder)

09:00 Arrival

09:15 Welcome address

Gunter Pleuger (President of the European University Viadrina, Frankfurt/Oder)

Kerstin Schoor (Head of the Viadrina Center B/ORDERS IN MOTION)

09:30 Opening

Béatrice von Hirschhausen (Head of the Phantom Borders Research Project),

Sabine von Löwis (Research Fellow of the Phantom Borders Research Project)

**10:00-10:45 Keynote Speech**

**Vladimir Kolossov (Moscow)**

**Phantom Borders: Methodological Approaches and an Attempt of Classification**

**10:45-11:00 Coffee Break**

**11:00-13:30 Panel 1: Phantom Borders in Electoral Behaviour at Different Scales**

Chair: Timm Beichelt (Frankfurt/Oder)

Ionel Boamfă, Gabriel Camară, Alina Munteanu (Iași)

National and Regional Patterns and Breaks in the Voting Behaviour of European Electors

Martin Šimon, Tomáš Kostecký (Prague)

Measuring Phantom Borders: The Case of Czech/ Czechoslovakian Electoral Geography

Viktor Putrenko (Kiev)

Spatial Relationships of Electoral Behaviour and Phantom Borders in Ukraine

Jarosław Jańczak (Frankfurt/Oder, Poznań)

Phantom Borders and Electoral Behaviour in Poland at Regional and Local Level. Historical Legacies and their Influence on Contemporary Politics

**Discussion of the Papers in Panel 1 by Tomasz Zarycki (Warsaw)**

**13:30-15:00 Lunch**

**15:00-17:50 Panel 2: (Geo) Political Images and Phantom Borders**

Chair: Andreas Umland (Kiev)

Antje Schlottmann, Roger Baars (Frankfurt/Main)

Regional Governance and the "Phantom Region" Mitteldeutschland. The Political Dimension of Spatial Concepts

Anna Zadora (Strasbourg)

The Phantom Borders between Belarusians and Poles: History, Mental and Political Controversial Border

**15:40-16:00 Coffee Break**

Dimitrii Sidorov (Long Beach/California, London)

Phantom Geopolitics of Russia's Border with Europe

Thomas Serrier (Viadrina)

Prisoners of History? West European Imaginations of East Central European Phantom Borders

**Discussion of the Papers in Panel 2 by Judith Miggelbrink (Leipzig)**

**19:00 Dinner**

**Friday, November 15** (Collegium Polonicum, Saal 13, Ul. Kościuszki 1, 69-100 Słubice)

09:00 Arrival

09:15 Welcome address

Krzysztof Wojciechowski (Director of Administration, Collegium Polonicum, Słubice)

**09:30-12:00 Panel 3: Cultural, Historical, Ethnic and Social Backgrounds of Electoral Phantom Borders**

Chair: Jarosław Jańczak (Frankfurt/Oder, Poznań)

**Tomasz Zarycki (Warsaw)**

The Electoral Geography of Poland: Between Stable Spatial Structures and their Changing Interpretations

**Andreea Zamfira (Bucharest, Brussels)**

The Transposition of Different Ethnic and Interethnic Contexts into Different Patterns of Voting Behaviour

**Patrik Tátrai, Balázs Szabó (Budapest)**

Cultural Background and Regional Differences of Voting Behaviour in Slovakia - 1992-2012

**10:30- 10:50 Coffee Break**

**Discussion of the Papers in Panel 3 by Kai Olaf Lang (Berlin)**

**12:00-13:30 Lunch**

**13:30-16:00 Panel 4: Phantom Borders in Economic, Social and Political Behaviour**

Chair: Werner Benecke (Frankfurt / Oder)

**Anna Borowczak, Michał Dolata (Poznań)**

Relict Boundaries as Economic and Political Behaviour Differentiation Factor in Wielkopolskie Voivodeship (Poland)

**Zdeněk Kučera, Pavel Chromý (Prague)**

Territorial Identity of Czechia's Borderland and its Changes during 20th Century

**Henry Rammelt (Lyon)**

Did Recent Common History Level Social Mobilization within Romania? A Comparative Analysis of Mobilization throughout Romanian Regions with Unequal Indicators of Social Capital

**Saida Sirazhudinova (Rostov)**

Political and Electoral Behaviour in Russia

**Discussion of the Papers in Panel 4 by Kai Struve (Halle)**

**16:00-16:30 Coffee Break**

**16:30-18:00 Final Discussion:** Vladimir Kolossov, Tomasz Zarycki, Kai-Olaf Lang,  
Thomas Serrier (Chair), Jaroslaw Janczak (Chair)

**Saturday, November 16**

Departure of the participants