

A mosaic portrait of a woman with dark hair, looking slightly to the right. The mosaic is composed of small, irregular tiles in various colors including shades of brown, pink, blue, and yellow. The woman's face is the central focus, with detailed features like her eyes, nose, and lips. She is wearing a dark blue headscarf and a light-colored garment with a dark patterned collar. The background is a mix of blue and white tiles.

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**CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

## Day 1: 13 March 2024 (Wednesday)

9.30 - 10.00 Registration

### 10.00- 10.30 Opening speeches

- **Zuzanna Bogumił**, Chair of the Conference Organizing Committee (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology UW)
- **Bartłomiej Lis**, Deputy Director of the Institute of Archaeology and Ethnology PAS
- **Iwona Kaliszewska**, Deputy Director of the Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology UW
- **Małgorzata Głowacka-Grajper**, Deputy Director of the Faculty of Sociology UW
- **Karolina Bielenin-Lenczowska**, Deputy Director of the Institute of Slavic Studies PAS

### 10.30 - 12.30 Plenary session I: Researching current migration movements and humanitarian crisis in Europe

Moderator: **Zuzanna Bogumił** (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology UW)

Panellists:

- **Simona Zavratnik** (University of Ljubljana), researcher of the Balkan migration route
- **Monika Fréjutė-Rakauskienė** (Institute of Sociology at the Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences), researcher of the Belarusian migration
- **Justyna Straczuk** (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology PAS) researcher of the humanitarian crisis on the Belarusian border
- **Anna Wylegała** (Institute of Philosophy and Sociology PAS) coordinator of the project "24.02.2022, 5 am: Testimonies from the War"
- **Katarzyna Roman-Rawska** (Institute of Slavic Studies PAS) co-coordinator of the project "Crossing borders, building walls. Towards ethnography of Russian war mobilization"

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch

### 13.30 - 15.00 Panel Session 1: Macro Perspectives

Chair: **Zuzanna Brunarska** (Centre of Migration Research UW)

Panellists:

- **Karolina Nugumanova** (Scuola Normale Superiore), *Two Years On: What's Changed? Bright Prospects and Enduring Challenges for Russian Emigrants*

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- **Alexey Oshchepkov** (Free University of Berlin), *From Russia with Love: What Do We Know about Emigration from Russia after Feb 2022?*
- **Olga Isupova** (Nazarbayev University), *New Russian Diasporas outside the European Union: in-migration adaptation of out-of-Russia war migrants 2022-2024*

**15.00 - 15.30** Coffee Break

**15.30 - 17.30 Panel Session 2: Local Responses**

Chair: Karolina Bielenin-Lenczowska (Institute of Slavic Studies PAS)

Panellists:

- **Amina Gani** (Nazarbayev University), *Underlying factors of negative attitudes among Kazakhstanis towards relokanti*
- **Vladimir Rouvinski** (Universidad Icesi), *Russian (Anti-) War Migration to Latin America: Political and Security Implications*
- **Zbigniew Szmyt** (Uniwersytet Adama Mickiewicza), *Anti-War Activism among Siberian Nations*
- **Sofia Gavrilova** (Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography) and **Olga Bronnikova** (Université Grenoble Alpes), *Finding the common grounds: visibility, cooperation and tensions between Russian and Georgia civil society initiatives in Tbilisi, 2023*

**19.00** – Dinner

**Day 2: 14 March 2024 (Thursday)**

**10.00 - 12.00 Plenary Session II: Between hospitality and hostility. Local reactions on Russian war migrants**

Moderator: Zuzanna Bogumił (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology UW)

Panellists:

- **Jussie Laine** (University of Eastern Finland)
- **Raili Nugin** (Tallinn University)
- **Tomasz Rawski** (Faculty of Sociology UW)
- **Ketevan Gurchiani** (Ilia State University)
- **Sona Nersisyan** (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography NAS RA)
- **Mustafa Berkay Aydın** (Bursa Uludağ University)
- **Caress Schenk** (Nazarbayev University)
- **Byambabaatar Ichinkhorloo** (Mongolian State University)

**12.00 - 12.30** - Coffee Break

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**12.30 - 14.30 - Panel Session 3: Integration and adaptation**

Chair: **António Eduardo Mendonça** (University of Lisbon)

Panellists:

- **Oliver Ferrando** (Lyon Catholic University), *Russian Migrants in Kazakhstan since 2022: Citizenship and Belonging at Stake*
- **Lusine Tanajyan** (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography NAS RA), *Integration of Russian migrants in Armenia: self-perceptions through the prism of "own" ("svoi") and "guest"*
- **Mustafa Berkay Aydın** (Bursa Uludağ University) and **Tamilla Şahin** (Bursa Uludağ University), *Understanding the preferences and expectations of Russian war migrants in Turkey*
- **Tatiana Golova** (ZOiS), *Challenges of performing pro-Ukrainian and Russian identities in public*

**14.30 - 15.30** – Lunch

**15.30 - 17.30 Panel Session 4: Identity and Belonging**

Chair: **Iwona Kaliszewska** (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology UW)

Panellists:

- **Kristina Jonutyte** (Vilnius University), *Multifaceted belonging at a time of war: Post-mobilisation Buryat diaspora in Mongolia*
- **Klaudia Kosicińska** (JENA-Cauc project), *"After all, we are also fighting against them" or who is not Russian in Georgia? The different faces of the migration from Russia after 2022 and resisting strategies*
- **Raili Nugin** (Tallinn University), *Lost Father(land): What has Russia become for migrated Russians?*
- **Mariam Darchiashvili** (Ilia State University), *Everyday Lives of Anti-War Russian Migrants in Post-Imperial Georgia*

**19:00** Dinner

**Day 3: 15 March 2024 (Friday)**

**10.00 - 12.00 Panel Session 5: Milieus in Exile**

Chair: **Katarzyna Roman-Rawska** (Institute of Slavic Studies PAS)

Panellists:

- **Katarzyna Syska** (Uniwersytet Jagielloński), *Mapping Russian-Language Theatre and Drama in Exile*
- **Bella Ostromooukhova** (Sorbonne Université), *Russian migrants in France: social milieus and political stances*

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- **Tsy pylma Darieva** (ZOiS), *Exit is not passive: Perspectives of Russian migrants' activism in Georgia*
- **Tigran Amiryan** (Cultural & Social Narratives Laboratory, Armenia), *South Caucasus as a Hub for Russian Migration During the War in Ukraine?*

**12.00 - 12.30** Coffee Break

**12.30 - 14.30 Panel Session 6: Implications**

Chair: **Anna Horolets** (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology UW)

Panellists:

- **Zolzaya Nyamdorj** (Freedom Wing NGO), *The impact and challenges of the Buryats' migration to Mongolia*
- **Veronika Vichová** (Office of the Public Defender of Rights, Czech Republic), *The Journey of Russians from Russia and Ukraine to the Czech Republic in the Face of Conflict*
- **Adetola Elizabeth Umoh** (Autonomous University of Barcelona) and **Samuel Uwem** (University of Hradec Králové), *Fighting someone else's war: Politicising International student mobility in Russia expansionist agenda*
- **Anonymous**, *Simulacrum of radicalization: motivation of the volunteers of the International Legion of Armed Forces of Ukraine*

**14.30 - 15.30** Lunch

**15.30 - 17.00 Panel Session 7: Uncertainty**

Chair: **Tomasz Rawski** (Faculty of Sociology UW)

Panellists:

- **Vlada Baranova** (Northeast Institute) and **Yakov Lurie** (George Washington University), *Navigating Economic Uncertainty: Towards the Varied Experiences of Russian Migrants in Georgia and Armenia*
- **Caress Schenk** (Nazarbayev University), *Uncertainty in theory and lived experience: Russian migrants in the midst of war*
- **Vadim Syrovoy** (Independent researcher), *(Gde Takoj Ja?) Between Solidarity and Disunity in Serbia*

**17.00 - 17.30** Coffee Break

**17.30 - 18.00** Final Discussion

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