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INTRODUCTION

For CREES the year 2006-07 was one of productive activity but also of some uncertainty as to the future place of the Centre and the ERI as a whole in a reorganised University of Birmingham. On the positive side, the Centre for East European Language Based Area Studies (CEELBAS) developed strongly. CREES now has six CEELBAS-funded PhD students, with three more to follow in 2009-10 and a final two in 2010-11. Dr Nathaniel Copsey, CEELBAS Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Polish foreign policy, has pursued an energetic programme of activities. By the end of 2008 a second Postdoctoral Fellowship in the economics of Eastern Europe should be advertised. Across the wider CEELBAS network there has been an intensive programme of research workshops and other events in which there has been strong CREES participation at both staff and postgraduate levels.

In the course of the year preparation continued to prepare a submission to the 2008 Research Assessment Exercise. Whereas CREES and the Institute for German Studies submitted separately in 2001 to the European Studies panel, for the latest exercise a single submission has been made. The outcome will be known in December 2008.

The reorganisation of the University has been underway for some time and the new structures will take effect from 1 August 2008. The former School system is being replaced by five Colleges within which there will be Schools, but in some cases of a new departmental composition. After a difficult period of uncertainty it has been decided that CREES will become a separate department in a new School of Government and Society within the College of Social Sciences. Alongside CREES within the new School will be the departments of Political Science and International Relations, Sociology, International Development, and Local Government Studies. At the time of writing the future of the European Research Institute is unresolved but the staff of IGS and the ERI (other than CREES) have become members of POLSIS. It is hoped that an appropriate cross-College research structure for European Studies will emerge in the near future. Within CREES, the demise of the ERI in its original form is greatly regretted but we hope to retain close links with our former colleagues. Under the new arrangements, there will be an enriched relationship with the five members of the School of Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences (GEES) with Russian and East European research interests. From now on they will become adjunct members of CREES and in that capacity will participate fully in many aspects of the Centre's work.

Finally, as outgoing Director, I wish to thank all my colleagues for their outstanding work and commitment during a difficult period. Particular thanks to Anand Menon, Director of the ERI, who among many other things led the RAE process, and to Cillian Ryan, who has served so ably as Head of Department. As ever, we are indebted to Tricia, Marea, Zoe and Veta for their ever efficient day-to-day running of CREES-ERI and for helping to maintain our sanity and good humour.

Julian Cooper
June 2008

TEACHING

The teaching profile of the European Research Institute and CREES continued to develop very positively over the period covered by this report. In 2006 further investment was made in the Russian language-based area studies programme with the appointment of Natalya Rulyova to support Jeremy Morris in delivering the programme and contributing to other undergraduate and postgraduate teaching. The interdisciplinary degree in European Politics, Society and Economics (EPSE), run collaboratively across the School of Social Sciences and managed by

CREES/ERI, has increased its annual intake from 10 students in 2005, to 20 in 2006 to 38 in 2007. The programme has three pathways, in Economics, Political Science and Cultural Studies. Students may specialise in one of these areas or choose a general pathway that combines all three. The EPSE course reflects to a certain extent changing undergraduate expectations about undergraduate courses and allows students to tailor their own social science degree from a very wide range of options. CREES also plans to increase the number of study trips available on this course. The programme has to date received excellent feedback from students and is proving popular with employers; the large majority of our first generation of graduates found good quality employment prior to completion of the degree. Other students are undertaking further study and some have will take a career break to work in the voluntary sector.

These programmes are set to expand further in the future as a means of providing CREES with a large undergraduate profile that matches the cross disciplinary expertise of CREES staff and links into other social science disciplines at the University. Their development, as part of an ongoing modernisation of CREES, will allow the Centre to continue to provide the UK's highest quality Russian and language-based area studies programmes.

CONFERENCES AND EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS

In Birmingham

Dr Nathaniel Copsey organised the Wider Europe Spring seminar in the European Research Institute on 7 June 2007, where he made a presentation on 'The European Union's Policy towards Eastern Europe'. Other speakers at this event included Dr Averre on 'The European Union's Relations with Russia', Dr Whitmore on 'Political Developments and Institution Building in Russia and Ukraine; Dr Wolczuk on 'Ukraine-EU Relations'.

With Lara Scarpitta and Carolyn Moore, Dr Tim Haughton organized the conference 27 UP: Romanian and Bulgarian Accession and the Future of EU Enlargement on 15 March 2007 at which Romania's Former Chief Negotiator, leading Commission officials, civil servants from the two new EU Member States and distinguished academics spoke and Lara Scarpitta presented a paper on 'Securing the EU's Eastern Border: Challenges, Opportunities and Lessons from the Experience of Romania'. In September Dr Tim Haughton spoke on 'Some comments on Orientalism, Balkanism and Identity' at the conference on 'Conceptualizing Balkan Space'.

In December Dr Melanie Ilić co-organised the conference on 'Khrushchev in the Kremlin, at which she delivered a paper (with RW Davies) on 'From Khrushchev (1935-36) to Khrushchev (1956-64): Construction Policy Compared' and also chaired two other panels.

Dr Natalia Rulyova gave a seminar presentation on 'Post-Soviet Television Audience' in March 2007. Also in March she organised an International Debate (together with the University of Manchester) on New Media and Civil Society.

Dr White presented a talk on 'Managing Democracy in Russia' for the Foreign and Commonwealth Office/Chevening Scholars in January 2007.

Honorary Research Fellows

Erica Richardson and Dominique Moran gave a presentation on 'HIV/AIDS and Health' to a workshop on 'Wellbeing and Welfare: Theoretical and Practical Reflections on Research Practice in Post-Socialist Countries', held by the BASEES Study Group on 'Societal Change in the Post-Socialist States' in January. In April Erica presented a talk on 'Writing for

whomever...' at the Robert's Fund Workshop on 'Doing a PhD: Issues, Concerns, Approaches'.

Associate Members

In connection with the British Academy project on the Cultural Landscape as Heritage Feature: a Comparative Study of the UK and Russia, Dr Shaw co-organised a joint Anglo-Russian workshop at GEES, University of Birmingham, on 7 September, 2007. Presenters included Professor Yury Vedenin and his colleagues (Russian Heritage Institute, Moscow), Drs Peter Gaskell and Paul Courtney (University of Gloucestershire), Dr Jeremy Lake (English Heritage) and Dr Mark Piekarz (University of Worcester).

Elsewhere in UK

The Annual Conference of the British Association of Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES) took place at Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge in April at which Professor Cooper was invited to be a guest speaker and several members of the Centre gave talks including Professor Hanson on 'Is the Russian Transition Complete?', Dr Ilić on 'State and Society under Khrushchev: Case Studies', Dr Natasha Rulyova on 'A Celebrity Made of the Local and the Mundane: Anna Vodovaatova, Presenter of the Programme 'Dezhurnyi po gorodu' on Perm Regional TV Channel Rifei''; Dr Denis Shaw on 'The Landscape Concept in Russian Environmental Thought: the International Dimension' and Ulrike Ziemer on 'Armenian Youth's Identities: Negotiations in Contemporary Russia'.

Dr Averre delivered a paper on 'The Role of Russia in the Northern Dimension' at the Northern Dimension roundtable, Manchester Metropolitan University in October 2006 and in May he gave a seminar presentation on 'Russia: a Normal' or a 'Normative' Power?' at Keele University.

Professor Cooper delivered a paper on 'Russia as a BRIC: Only a Dream?' in September at the 9th Bi-Annual Conference of the European Association of Comparative Economic Studies, University of Brighton and in February he gave a talk on 'The Russian Economy' at a Wilton Park Conference on 'Russia: Internal Developments and Future Governance. In April he Chaired the opening panel at the Inaugural Conference of CEELBAS at University College London.

Professor Hanson participated in a Foreign Policy Experts roundtable on 'Russia' at Chatham House, London in May and in September he acted as a member of the panel presenting 'An Analysis of Recent Developments in Russia' at the Oxford Analytica International Conference, Oxford.

Dr Haughton, together with Sean Hanley, spoke at a roundtable on 'Roadblocks to Reform? The Czech Republic and Slovakia after the 2006 Elections' at the Centre for European Politics, Security and Integration (CEPSI), School of Slavonic and East European Studies, University College London in October and in November he gave a talk there entitled 'Clear Thinking and Accession Hangovers? Slovakia's First Two Years as an EU Member State'.

Dr Ilić delivered a paper to the Cheltenham Historical Association in March 2007 on 'Soviet Women and Civil Defence Training in the 1930s' and in November at the Russian Archives Research Student Training Workshop at the University of Glasgow, she gave a presentation on 'Working in the Russian Archives – the Basics'.

Jelena Obradovic organised a panel at the MEICAM Cultures of Conflict Conference at the University of Swansea, Wales in September 2007 at which she spoke on 'Denial and Suppression of War Crimes in Serbia'. Also in September she acted as an invited discussant at the CEELBAS Culture Seminar at the Taylor Institution, University of Oxford. In February she presented a paper on 'Remembering Srebrenica: Repression and Denial of War Crimes in Serbia' to the School of Slavonic and East European Studies, University College London and in December she acted as an invited discussant of the paper entitled 'Negotiating Space and Memory Through Popular Music after the Fall of Yugoslavia' presented by Catherine Baker at the Social Sciences, Balkan Seminar, University College London.

Professor Perrie gave a lecture on 'Ivan the Terrible' in the Russian Public Lecture Series, 'Writing Russian Lives: Perspectives on the Biographies of "The Great"', organised by the Department of Slavonic Studies, University of Cambridge, and held in Robinson College, Cambridge, in October 2006.

Dr Bernd Rechel presented a paper on 'Minority Rights and Conditionality: Why Was the Impact of the EU on Accession Countries so Limited?' at the University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES) conference on 'Exchanging Ideas on Europe', Portsmouth in September.

Dr Natalia Rulyova delivered a paper on 'Post-Soviet Regional TV: Govorit i pokazyvaet Perm' at the School of Slavonic and East European Studies, London in November. She also organised two International Public Debates (together with the University of Manchester), the first was held in Manchester in February on 'Freedom of Speech and Russian Media' and the second was held in London in April on 'The Media and the War on Terror'.

Lara Scarpitta presented a paper on "*Justice Reform and Anti-Corruption in Romania: a test case for EU leverage*" at the CANE Annual Conference, Newcastle Upon-Tyne in January 2007. She also organised two International Public Debates (together with the University of Manchester), the first was held in Manchester in February on 'Freedom of Speech and Russian Media' and the second was held in London in April on 'The Media and the War on Terror'.

Dr Yemelianova has been involved in the teaching of the MA course entitled 'Conflict, Security and Islam in Russian the Caucasus and Central Asia,' organised by Dr Sagramoso of King's College, London.

Claire Wilkinson presented a paper entitled 'Positioning "Security" and Securing One's Position: The Researcher's Role in Investigating "Security" in Kyrgyzstan'. Paper presented at 'Central Asia and the Caucasus: explorations from the field' at the Postgraduate Conference, University of St. Andrews, in November 2006. In April 2007 she was co-organiser of the postgraduate workshop 'Doing a PhD: Issues, Concerns, Approaches', which was held in Birmingham and organised jointly by CREES and GEES, University of Birmingham, and DCEES, University of Glasgow. She also gave a presentation entitled 'Starting Out: Part One: Excitement, Aspirations, Hopes, Expectations' at the workshop.

Ulrike Ziemer presented a paper on 'Researching Youth Cultures in Russia: Armenian and Adygean Youth Cultural Practices' at the Royal Geographic Society's Annual Conference 2006 on 'Exploring Geographies of Age' which took place in London.

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

Dr Bacon was invited to give a talk on 'The Fall and Rise of a Great Power? Russia in the Post-Soviet Era' at the Anglia Ruskin University in Cambridge in February.

Professor Bradshaw gave a presentation on 'Russia's Energy and Gas Relations with North East Asia: Turning Rhetoric into Reality' to the Department of Geography, University of Sussex in February and in June he spoke on 'Lessons from Sakhalin' at a roundtable seminar on 'Russian National Champions and International Oil Companies' at Chatham House, London.

Dr Edmondson made a presentation on 'Women in Nineteenth-Century Russia: Social and Historical Perspectives' to the Women in Literature Forum at Keele in June.

Overseas

The Annual Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, took place in Washington DC, USA in November where papers were delivered by Dr Bacon on Putin's Historical Ideology, Dr Ilić on 'What did Women Want? Khrushchev's Revival of the *Zhensovety*', Dr Smith on 'The Battle for Language: Opposition in the Soviet Republics to Khrushchev's Education Reform, 1958-59' and Ulrike Ziemer on 'Armenian Youth's Identity Stories: Routinising Discrimination in Russia?'

The World Congress of the International Council for Central and East European Studies (ICCEES) conference 2007 took place in Berlin in August and speakers included Dr Averre on 'Breaking Down EU-Russia Relations', Dr Ilić on 'The Role of the *Zhensovety* in Hearing Women's Voices in the Khrushchev Era'; Dr Smith on 'The Last Oil Boom: Baku at the beginning of the twentieth Century' and Dr Wolczuk on 'Adjectival Europeanisation'.

Mr Stephen Aris, postgraduate student, presented a paper entitled 'Tackling the Three Evils: A Regional Response to Substate Transnational Security Challenges in Central Asia - Shanghai Cooperation Organisation' at the 4th European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Conference in Pisa, Italy in September 2007. He also delivered a paper entitled 'Central Asian: Sharing Experiences and Prospects' at the 10th European Society of Central Asian Studies Conference on 'Central Asia: Sharing Experiences and Prospects', held in Ankara, Turkey.

Dr Averre gave a review of day one of the Conference of the Cooperation on Bio-Initiatives in Russia and the NIS: Toward a True Partnership, Landau Network Centro Volta/Partnership for Global Security in Como, Italy in September 2006 and in October he delivered a paper on 'Sovereign Democracy and Russia's Relations with the European Union' at a conference on 'Russia's European Choice' at the Finnish Institute of International Affairs. In November he presented a talk entitled 'Scientist Redirection and Science and Technology Partnerships: Key Steps in a Global Biosecurity Regime' at a conference on 'Developing a Comprehensive Global Biosecurity Regime' at the Green Cross International Round Table, Palais des Nations, United Nations, Geneva and in March he presented a paper entitled 'Biosecurity Challenges in Key Growth Regions: Russia/FSU' at a conference on 'Developing Options for Global Biosecurity: Assessing Progress and Developing New Mechanisms' at the Partnership for Global Security/Carnegie Corporation Washington D.C.

Dr Bacon presented a paper on 'Looking Forward by Looking Back? The Democracy Discourse of the Putin Regime' at a conference on 'Russia and the FSU: Looking Backward – Looking Forward' in May at the Aleksanteri Institute, Helsinki.

Odetta Barbullushi, postgraduate student, presented a paper entitled 'Under the Gaze of the West: Reading Albanian Foreign Policy in the Post-Communist Era' at the 6th Standing Group on International Relations (SGIR) Pan European Conference 'Making Sense of a Pluralist World' in Turin, Italy in September 2007. She also acted as a discussant for the 'Towards a Post-Western West: The Changing Heritage of Europe and the West' Section.

In October Professor Cooper was invited to speak on 'The Future of Russia's Trading Relations with Eurasia' at the International Conference on 'The Multilateral Dimension on Russian Foreign Policy', held at the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Oslo, Norway. In November he was invited to lecture on 'Russia's Economy: Future Growth Prospects' at the University of Verona, Italy and in April he was invited to speak at the panel on 'The Russian Federation in 10 Years' at the Third Europe-Russia Economic Forum, European Alpbach Forum in Vienna, Austria. In June he was invited to speak on 'The Russian Economy' at the International Conference on 'Post-Communist Russia: Myths and Realities, Freedom of Expression Institution' in Oslo, Norway.

Aleksandra Duda, postgraduate student, presented a paper entitled 'Prelude to Revolution: Youth opposition campaigns in post-Soviet Georgia and Ukraine' at the IV Warsaw East European Conference 'Democracy vs. Authoritarianism' in Poland, July 2007.

Dr Haughton presented paper with Darina Malova on 'Emerging Patterns of EU Membership: Slovakia as a New Member State; at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Washington DC in April and in May he gave a presentation on 'What Does the Case of Slovakia Teach us about the EU's Active Leverage?' at the European Union Studies Association (EUSA) 10th Biennial conference, Montreal. In June he spoke on 'Always an Awkward Partner? Britain and the EU' at Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia and in September, together with Marek Rybar, he presented a paper entitled 'An Additional Tool in the Toolbox, but Not Much More: The Limited Impact of the EU on Party Politics in Slovakia', at the ECPR General Conference, Pisa.

Jelena Obradovic delivered a paper on 'Trauma and Identity: Understanding War Crimes from a Serbian Perspective' at the Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN) Globalization, Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict Conference in Belgrade, Serbia in September. In October she made two presentations at the Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, one on 'The Uses of the Kosovo Myth at the 'Re-approachement of the Western Balkans to the European Union' at the 7th Finnish Balkan Colloquium on 'Finns in the Balkans', the other on 'Ratko Mladic or Europe: War Crimes, Identity and the Serbian Politics of Myth' at the European Identities Conference. During November and December she delivered 16 hours of lectures at the Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki to the Lecture Series 'Conflict, Myth and Nation in Contemporary Serbia'.

Professor Perrie presented a paper entitled, 'War and Politics in Early Modern Russia', at a Workshop on 'War and Politics in Early Modern Sweden and Eastern Europe', funded by the Georg W Leitner Program on Comparative and International Political Economy at Yale University, and held in Rome in December 2006. She also presented a paper (in Russian) on 'Bohdan Khmel'nitsky and the Muscovite Government's Demand for the Extradition of the Pretender Timofei Ankudinov (1650)' at a conference on 'Ukraine and the Grand Duchy of Lithuania in the 14th-18th Centuries', organised by the Institute of Ukrainian History of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine and by Kamianets-Podilsky State University, and held in Kamianets-Podilsky, Ukraine, in September 2007.

Dr Rechel delivered a paper on 'The Bulgarian Ethnic Model: Reality or Ideology?' at the International Conference on 'Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations' in Amsterdam, Netherlands in July.

Lara Scarpitta presented a paper on 'The myth of compliance: EU-Romania relations 2004-2007' at the the European Union Studies Association (EUSA) 10th Biennial conference, Montreal in May 2007.

Dr Smith organised the Aleksanteri Institute Graduate Research School Study days in Helsinki, Finland in May which included invited speakers Ronald Suny, Richard Sakwa, Anu-Mai Köll, Ewin Bacon and Luke March; his own lecture was entitled ‘Leadership and Nation-Building in the USSR’. In February he delivered a seminar paper on ‘Oil and Ethnicity: Lessons from Baku at the Beginning of the Twentieth Century’ at the seminar on ‘The Wider Caucasus: Energy, Ethnicity, Economics and Security’ in Helsinki.

Dr White delivered a paper on ‘Challenging a Dominant Regime: Political Opportunities and Opposition Strategies in Russia’ at the Irish Association of Russian and East European Studies Annual Conference, held at the University of Limerick in May.

In March Claire Wilkinson presented at the conference ‘Methodologies in Peace Research’ held at the Centre for Peace Studies, University of Tromsø, Norway, with the paper ‘You Say Security, We Say Safety: Speaking and Talking “Security” in Kyrgyzstan’. She also participated in the roundtable ‘The Political Baggage of Political Ethnography’ held at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, USA, in April.

Dr Wolczuk made a presentation on ‘The ENP and Ukraine’ at the conference on ‘Ukraine and European Integration’ in Lviv, Ukraine, organized by the Lviv National University and the British Council in November and also delivered a presentation on ‘Ukraine’s Relations with the EU’ at the EPINE Think-Tank Conference organized by the SAIS/John Hopkins University. In Feb 2007 she gave a presentation on ‘Russia’s Relations with Belarus and their Impact on Russia-EU Relations’ at the Policy Dialogue on Russia’s Westpolitik and the EU’s response organized by the European Policy Centre in Brussels.

Dr Yemelianova presented a paper on ‘The Growth of Islamic Radicalism in Eurasia: Internal Determinant, Comparative Perspectives and Potential Consequence’ at the Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN) Annual Conference, New York in April. She also delivered a guest-speaker lecture on ‘The Rise of Islam in Eurasia: Comparative Perspectives and Potential Consequences’ at Davis Center, Harvard University, USA.

Honorary Senior Lecturers

Michael Pushkin was invited to give a lecture in Russian to the Cambridge Russian-speaking Society on “‘Proshchanie s mikrofonom”: Andrei Voznesenskii – poet 60-kh i XXI veka’ [“Farewell to the Microphone”: Andrei Voznesensky – Poet of the 60s and the 21st Century’], in May.

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

Dr Bacon gave a paper on ‘Placing the Present: Putin and the Use of History’ at the University of Limerick, Ireland, at the Irish Association for Russian and East European Studies annual conference in May 2007.

At the request of the ESRC International Office Professor Bradshaw organized a two-day seminar in January/February on ‘Energy Transformations in Central and East Europe’. In March Professor Bradshaw delivered a paper on ‘Foreign Investors in the Russian Gas Sector: The Case of Sakhalin’ at a Conference on ‘Energy Security and Russia-EU Relations’ at ETH Zurich and in April he gave a presentation on ‘When All the Easy Oil is Gone: Geographies of Knowledge in the Upstream Oil Sector’ (with Andrew Wood and Gavin Bridge) at the Annual Meetings of the Association of American Geographers in San Francisco. In September he spoke on ‘Asian Markets for Sakhalin’s Gas’, at the 11th Sakhalin Oil and Gas Conference in Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk.

Professor Harrison presented a paper on ‘The Soviet Economy: War, Growth, and Dictatorship’ to the Annual Meeting of the Allied Social Sciences Associations, Chicago, in January, 2007.

Professor Malle delivered a lecture on ‘China’s Macroeconomic Developments’ in Verona, upon invitation of the local Chamber of Commerce, and in Pavia University. She also participated at the Annual Meeting of CRCE (Centre of Research on Communist Economies) in Slovenia chairing a session on ‘China’. She participated at the Annual Meeting of European Association of Comparative Economic Studies (EACES) at the University of Parma, chairing a session on ‘Russia’s Economic Developments’ and lectured on ‘China’ at the post-graduate Summer School sponsored by the University of Verona at Lake Garda. In July she participated in the Colloquium of the Liberty Fund on “Von Mises, Hayek on Liberty, Man and Utopia’ in Sierre, Switzerland.

Associate Members

Dr Shaw delivered a paper on ‘The Landscape Concept in Russian Environmental Thought: the International Dimension’ at the Fourth International Conference of the European Society for Environmental History, in Amsterdam in June 2007 and in September he gave a talk on ‘Days in the Reigns of the Eighteenth Century Rulers of Russia’ at the International Workshop of the Study Group on Eighteenth Century Russia in Memory of Professor Lindsey Hughes, Ravenna, Italy.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Dr Averre served as a consulting board member of the International Working Group - Transitions Initiative, Landau Network Centro Volta, Como, Italy.

Professor Cooper continued to act as Director of the Centre for East European Language Based Area Studies (CEELBAS) at Birmingham and also as a Member of the Europe Group of the British Academy (a recently formed committee to review the BA’s engagement with Europe). He became an Associate Editor of *Eurasian Geography and Economics* and continued to serve on the editorial board of the Routledge Russian and East European studies series. He also became a member of the International Scientific Board of the electronic journal *Power Institutions in Post-Soviet Societies*. Within the University, Professor Cooper continued as Director of CREES and served on University Committees as a Member of the Research and Knowledge Transfer Committee, the Chair of the RAE Umbrella Group of the Deanery of Arts and Social Sciences and as Convenor of the ESRC Forum.

Professor Davies continued to serve as a member of the Editorial Board of the archival series *Tragediya sovetkoi derevni* (Tragedy of the Soviet Countryside) and as Honorary Vice-President of the Society for Cooperation in Russian and Soviet Studies. He is an Honorary Life Member of the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies.

Professor Hanson continued to act as Associate Fellow to the Russia and Eurasia Programme, Chatham House (Royal Institute for International Affairs) and also as Trustee of the Centre for Research into Post-Communist Countries. He continued to serve as a member of the Editorial Board of *Post-Communist Economies*

Dr Houghton continued to serve on the International Advisory Board of the Slovak Foreign Policy Affairs and the Steering Committee, British-Czech-Slovak Historian’s Forum.

Dr Ilić continued to serve as a member of the National Advisory Board for Europe-Asia Studies.

Professor Perrie's term of office as Vice-President (Past President) of BASEES came to an end in April 2007, when she became an Honorary Life Member of BASEES. She continues to serve as a judge for the Alexander Nove Prize until 2010. She also continued to serve as a member of the National Advisory Board of *Europe-Asia Studies*.

Michael Pushkin has served as Russian Tutor at the Department of Vocal and Operatic Studies, Birmingham Conservatoire, and as Visiting Lecturer at the Department of Russian and Slavonic Studies, University of Nottingham, since September 2005. He was Visiting Lecturer at the Department of Russian Studies, University of Manchester, for the Autumn Semester 2007.

Dr John Westwood acted as Editor of the journal *Eastern Star*, for number 24-27.

Dr Whitmore served as a member of the Editorial Board for *Soviet and Post-Soviet Studies*, Ibidem Verlag.

Dr Wolczuk continued to act as a member of the Advisory Board of the East European Studies On-line – a pioneering distance learning programme by the Osteuropa Institute at the Free University in Berlin.

Dr Yemelianova has continued to serve as a member of the National Advisory Board of the journal *Europe-Asia Studies*. Since March 2007 Dr Yemelianova has been a member of the Editorial Board of the Journal *The World of Eurasia*, Institute of Humanities, Republic of Bashkortostan, Russia.

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

Dr Bacon served as a member of the international editorial board of *Religion State and Society*.

Professor Bradshaw has continued to serve as an Associate Fellow of the Russia and Eurasia Programme, Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House, London (1998-present). He serves as Editor-in-Chief of *Blackwell Geography Compass* (this new electronic-only journal was launched in April 2007 and he is managing a team of 6 section-editors). He also serves as a Senior Contributing Editor of *Eurasian Geography and Economics* and as a Member of the Editorial Boards of *Siberica: the Journal of Siberian Studies* (2002 to present) and the Book Series of the Royal Geographical Society (with the IBG).

Mark Harrison continued as Chair, Department of Economics, University of Warwick and Director of the Economic Research Institute, University of Warwick; he also continued to serve as Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Hoover Institution on War, Revolution, and Peace, Stanford University.

Professor Pilkington was appointed a member of the RAE Sub-Panel for European Studies (Unit 50) for RAE 2008 from February 2005. She continued to serve as a member of the Advisory Board of the Aleksanteri Institute (Finnish Centre for Russian and East European Studies), Helsinki, Finland and as a member of the editorial committee of Curzon/BASEES series.

Honorary Research Fellows

Dr Richardson continued to serve as a member of the Steering Committee of the BASEES Study Group for Societal Change in the Post-Socialist States

Associate Members

Dr Shaw continued to serve as a Member of the Editorial Board of the international journal, *Eurasian Geography and Economics* and as a Member of the Editorial Board of *Teaching in Higher Education*.

RESEARCH

History

Professor RW Davies continued his research on the sixth volume of his series on *The Industrialisation of Soviet Russia*, this volume: supported by ESRC grant RES-000-1443, deals with the economy in 1934-9. Particular attention is being paid to the interaction between the repressions of 1936-8 and economic development. The evidence provisionally shows that in 1934-6, before the onset of the repressions, the economy was developing rapidly; in 1935-6 industry at every level was paying closer attention to successful developments in American industry and seeking to emulate them. Research collaboration on the economics of Stalinism for this project has continued with Professor Stephen Wheatcroft (University of Melbourne), Dr Oleg Khlevnyuk and other Russian and Ukrainian historians, Professor Paul Gregory and associates (Universities of Houston, Texas. and Stanford), and Professor Mark Harrison (University of Warwick).

Professor Davies has prepared an article for publication in the Russian annual series *Ekonomicheskaya istoriya* on 'The Archives and the Economics of Stalinism', dealing with the impact of the first ten years after the opening of the archives on our understanding of the operation and performance of the Soviet economy in the Stalin years.

Professor Davies is collaborating with Melanie Ilić on a study of continuity and change in the Soviet building industry in the 1930s and in the post-war Khrushchev period, as part of the AHRB project (J Smith and M Ilić) on the Khrushchev period.

Professor Perrie continued to work on political legitimacy in seventeenth-century Russia, and wrote a number of papers on related topics. The project, which may eventually result in a monograph, examines the ways in which the first Romanov tsars, especially Michael (1613-45) and Alexis (1645-76) established the legitimacy of the new dynasty after the upheaval of the Time of Troubles (c.1603-13), and justified their entitlement to the throne in the face of competing claims from pretenders, including the Polish prince Wladyslaw, the Swedish prince Karl Filipp and various samozvantsy (impostors) who claimed to be descendants of the old (Ryurikid) dynasty.

Dr Smith spent the year 2006-07 on leave at the Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki. During that time he took part in a Finnish Academy funded project led by Sari Autio-Saraso on Technology Transfer across the Iron Curtain during the Cold War, under which Dr Smith is investigating links between Soviet and French winemakers. He also continued work on his AHRC project on government and policy in the Soviet Union under Nikita Khrushchev and his monograph on nationalities in and after the Soviet Union. Both projects are due to be completed by the end of 2008. In October 2008 he spent a week in Tbilisi researching the Georgian wine industry past and present and ethnic relations in the 1950s.

Ed Graystone is in the thesis awaited stage for his MPhil entitled "Russian national and religious identity during the later years of the Time of Troubles (1610-1613).

Dr Alexander Titov completed a successful research trip to Moscow in the spring 2007 as part of the AHRC funded project 'Policy and Governance in the Soviet Union under Nikita Khrushchev'. Dr Titov carried out research in the party archives on re-organisations in the

Central Committee apparatus during Khrushchev's time in power. A paper entitled 'Patterns of change and continuity in the Central Committee apparatus under Khrushchev' based on this research was presented at the international conference 'Khrushchev in the Kremlin' held in Birmingham in December 2007.

Dr Titov also continued his research in Russian intellectual history arising from his doctoral work. An article on the development of Russian historical thought in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries through examination of Nikolai Danilevsky's and Lev Gumilev's thought has been accepted for publication by the St Petersburg State University Press and is due to appear in the summer 2008.

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

Linda Edmondson continued her work on Russian musical life in the 19th century. She began research for an article on Ivan Turgenev and music, with a focus on his response to the western 'classics' and to contemporary music in the West and Russia, his views on the 'nationalist school', and the ways in which he uses musical references and portrays musicians, amateur and professional, in his novels and short stories.

Professor Harrison has continued to work with Paul Gregory (Houston and Hoover) and Andrei Markevich (Warwick and New Economic School, Moscow) on the economics of the Soviet command system, and with Stephen Broadberry (Warwick) and Jari Eloranta (Appalachian State) on European economic history and the two world wars.

Economics

During the year Professor Cooper's research has continued on three basic topics: Russia's place in the evolving global economy, the economics of defence and security in Russia and other ex-Soviet countries, and the development of 'knowledge economies' in Russia and other ex-communist countries. For the former, he published an article in the US journal, *Eurasian Geography and Economics*, on the competitiveness of Russian exports and is now writing a follow-up article on the fate of Russia's uncompetitive industries. On the economics of the military and security, he continued to monitor developments in the Russian military economy and prepared an article on budget spending on the security services and other 'power' ministries – a first in the literature. In this connection, he continued to work closely with the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI). On knowledge economy development, a book chapter was published on the Internet in Russia and research continues, including comparisons with China, India and other large populous emerging economies.

Philip Hanson worked on two main topics during 2006-7: the assessment of Russian economic policies, particularly industrial policies, and analysis of the effects of EU accession negotiations on institutional change in countries that joined the EU in 2004. In the latter study it is shown that the ex-communist accession countries remain less redistributive (more 'free-market') than established EU states (except Ireland), and the accession process left many institutional characteristics unchanged. The business environment in the eight ex-communist accession countries of 2004 compares favourably with that in several established EU countries. The study will be published as a book chapter in 2007.

Professor Malle has been in charge of courses in Applied Macroeconomics and International Trade and Development at the University of Verona this year. Her other activities are described elsewhere in this report.

Science, Technology and Industry

Dr Averre continued his research into science, technology and industry in the USSR successor states under the terms of an externally-funded project, producing reports and compiling a project database.

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Dr Westwood continued to monitor the current modernisation and restructuring of Russian Railways, their possibilities as an export market, and supplied assessments on request.

Politics and Security Studies

Dr Averre continued his research into Russian foreign and security policy and arms control/non-proliferation issues. He participated in a Finnish Academy-funded network on Russia and the EU, and is also participating in an ongoing project organised by the US Partnership for Global Security and the Landau Network Centro Volta, Italy, on strengthening proliferation prevention with Russia in the biotechnology sphere. He also contributed to activities of the Centre for Studies in Security and Diplomacy at the University of Birmingham.

Dr Haughton's research has followed four main themes. Firstly, he has continued to examine the intricacies and complexities of Slovak party politics. Secondly, in a collaborative project with Aleks Szczerbiak (Sussex), Sean Hanley (SSEES, UCL) and others he examined parties of the centre-right in Central and Eastern Europe. An article on the centre-right in Croatia and Slovakia and a joint-authored article on the centre-right in East-Central Europe will be published in a special issue of *Party Politics* in 2008/9. Thirdly, with John Gould and Sharon Fisher, he completed an article explaining why Slovakia took a neoliberal turn in 2002. Fourthly, thanks to a UACES Fellowship he continued work examining the impact of EU membership on Slovakia and exploring the process of National Preference Formation of new EU Member States.

Dr Brigid Fowler was awarded the PhD for her thesis 'Foreign Direct Investment in Oil Industries in CIS Countries. A Comparison of Policies and Outcomes in Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, and Russia'.

Lara Scarpitta, Bill Westwater, Madga Skrybant and Bill Westwater all made significant progress in 2006-7 and should submit their PhD theses in early 2008.

From mid-December 2006 to the end of January 2007, Odeta Barbullushi conducted her second stage of field work in the archives of the Albanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Albania as well as carried on with interviews for her PhD Thesis 'Under the Gaze of Europe: Albanian Foreign Policy in the Post-Communist Era'.

Richard Prigg made excellent progress in recent months on his thesis examining economic sources of political change in Eastern Europe.

Bernd Rechel is working on the ESRC-funded project 'Minority Rights in Post-Communist Bulgaria'. This research builds on and extends the findings of his doctoral research. It is concerned with the impact of EU enlargement on accession countries and the various factors influencing minority rights politics in accession countries. Bernd Rechel is currently coordinating a major study on 'Minority Rights in Central and Eastern Europe', which will be published as a multi-authored book by Routledge in 2008

Dr White has been working on a research project on opposition party strategies in Russia. This will be submitted to the ESRC in January 2008. The planned output from this two-year project

is 2-3 journal articles and 3-4 conference papers. The research will also found the basis of a single-authored monograph.

Mark Nash completed his PhD 'Relations between the Catholic and Orthodox Churches in the Russian Federation' successfully in December 2007.

Claire Wilkinson successfully completed the second stage of fieldwork for her thesis in Bishkek and Osh, Kyrgyzstan, in June 2006.

Kataryna Wolczuk continued her research on relations between the European Union and the post-Soviet states. During 2006-7 she focussed on writing up the findings of her British Academy project on the impact of the European Neighbourhood Policy on domestic change in Ukraine. Apart from a working paper and a journal article, she also wrote a chapter on Ukraine-EU relations for the Chaillot Paper dedicated to Ukraine published by the EU Institute for Security Studies in Paris. Also, she co-edited and contributed an article for a special issue of the Nationality Papers (with Galina Yemelianova). The issue contains papers written for the RIME project on minorities, intolerance and xenophobia in Eastern Europe funded by the European Commission (2003-2006).

Dr Yemelianova has been working on her book entitled 'Radical Islam in the former Soviet Union,' which is due for submission for publication by Routledge in April 2008. The book is based on her findings within the Nuffield Foundation-funded project on 'Islamic Radicalisation in Muslim Eurasia,' 2002-5. Other output of this project included her chapter 'Islamic Radicalisation in Muslim Eurasia' (see no 4 above) and her article 'The Rise of Islam in Muslim Eurasia' (see no 1 above). Since September 2007 Dr Yemelianova, together with Dr Sagramoso of King's College, London, has been working on a research proposal entitled 'Islamic activism in the Muslim regions of the Caucasus and Central Asia: A study of social mobilisation and collective violence' for ESRC grant application.

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

Edwin Bacon has been developing work on the ideology of the Putin regime and the construction of national identity in contemporary Russia. He has written several conference papers on this topic, presenting the findings at international conferences in the United States, Ireland and Finland. In addition he has continued related research on religion and politics in Russia, giving a presentation on this question at a St Catherine's Foundation conference at Cumberland Lodge in January 2006. In December 2006, he gave a presentation at CREES, along with Bettina Renz, to launch their book *Securitising Russia*, which includes a chapter by Julian Cooper.

Honorary Research Fellows

During his first year at Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Paul Holtom has carried out studies of small arms and light weapons (SALW) production in Russia and Ukrainian reporting on international arms transfers. He has also contributed towards an appendix on the Arms Trade Treaty for the SIPRI Yearbook 2007. Thanks to a research grant from the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, he has spent most of 2006-7 working on a study of the impact of UN arms embargoes on arms flows to embargoed targets. He will continue to carry out research on international arms transfers and UN arms embargoes in the coming year.

Dr Sarah Whitmore continued work on her ESRC-funded project, Parliamentary Oversight in Russia and Ukraine, in which she is investigating the functions and meanings of these activities in post-Soviet contexts, and how these can inform our understanding of the evolving political systems. She conducted fieldwork in Ukraine September-December 2006 and since that time

has been engaged in data analysis and writing up. She presented papers on the results of her research on Russia at the Political Studies Association conference in Bath (April 2007) and at the American Political Science Association Conference in Chicago (August 2007) and is currently preparing two journal articles on the basis of these.

Sociology and Cultural Studies

Erica Richardson's work continues to focus on updating the Health in Transition (HiT) Profiles for countries of the former Soviet Union and Mongolia. The HiT Profiles are country-based reports that provide a detailed description of the health system and of policy initiatives in progress or under development. She has begun looking at health system developments in Moldova, Belarus, Georgia and Ukraine, and the HiTs for these countries are all due out in 2008.

Larisa Kosygina, postgraduate student, continued to work on her PhD thesis 'Migrants without Russian Citizenship from Former Soviet-Republics in Russia: the Experience of Adaptation'. She intends to complete in 2008.

Jelena Obradovic, postgraduate student, plans to submit her PhD thesis, 'Victimhood and Denial Discourses: Serbian National Mythology in Narratives of Ethnic Conflict' in December 2007. She plans to apply for a postdoctoral research fellowship in January 2008.

Ulrike Ziemer, postgraduate student, made considerable progress in writing her PhD entitled 'Inadvertent Cosmopolitans: Armenian and Adyghean Youth in Southern Russia'.

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

During this year Professor Pilkington finally secured the transfer of the EC contract (RIME (Releasing Indigenous Multiculturalism through Education) to Warwick (from Birmingham) and completed all activities and produced all deliverables relating to it. This is a 1.2 million Euro EU funded project involving 15 partners across Eastern Europe and the Former Soviet Union of which she was the co-ordinator. The deliverables produced between May 2006 and April 2007 include: the commissioning of, translating, editing and own authored contribution to a special issue of the international, peer-reviewed journal *Ethnopolitics* as well as overseeing the production of a special issue of *Nationalities Papers* by collaborators at Birmingham (both are scheduled for publication in March 2008); a final conference attended by over 100 people, in Varna, Bulgaria in September 2006; the publication of a practitioners' handbook (in 6 languages) for use by NGOs and educationalists in multicultural trainings and education; the management of the production and distribution of a DVD (in 6 languages) showing the work of NGO partners conducted with funding made available via the RIME project. The final report for the project was submitted at the end of March 2007.

As part of the project (FP 6 Specific Targeted Research Project (STREP) 'Society and Lifestyles: Towards Enhancing of Social Harmonization Through Knowledge of Subcultural Communities) Professor Pilkington conducted fieldwork in Vorkuta, Russia with groups of skinheads and with drug-using youth in October-November 2006 and joined Anton Popov in the field in Krasnodar for work with young Cossack groups in September. She was also elected to the ethics committee of the consortium and has taken the lead in drawing up ethics guidelines and procedures for the project. She has attended, and presented at, workshops in Kaunas (June 2006 and August 2007), Bratislava (November 2006) and Pecs (February 2007) The work for this project (particularly that related to the xenophobic youth groups) has attracted significant publicity in the UK, the USA and Russia (e.g. article in THES February 2007).

Geography

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

Mike Bradshaw completed his British Academy project on foreign investment in the Sakhalin oil and gas projects and continued research into the geographical consequences of Russia's resource abundance and Russia's contribution to global energy security

Associate Members

Dr Shaw (Geography) has continued his studies of Russian geographical publications in the reign of Peter the Great with particular reference to the *Geografiya General'naya of Bernhard Varenius* and the *Kurze Fragen* by Johannes Hübner.

In continuation of a now concluded ESRC research project, Denis Shaw and Dr Jonathan Oldfield (Glasgow) have furthered their research on geographical aspects of the history of Russian environmental science with particular reference to the landscape concept. A recent small grant from the Royal Geographical Society will enable them to make research visits to Helsinki and St Petersburg, and a larger grant application has been made to AHRC.

The joint British Academy research project on Russian and UK approaches to the cultural landscape, under the auspices of the University of Birmingham (Drs Shaw and Moran, GEES and Dr Bob Prosser, CURS) and the Russian Scientific Research Institute for Cultural and Natural Heritage (Russian Ministry of Culture) continued with a successful joint field visit to the Yorkshire Dales and Lake District and a workshop in Birmingham (including visits to the Battlefield of Bosworth and Stratford-upon-Avon) in September, 2007

Russian Language, Literature and Music

Michael Pushkin has continued his research into the recent poetry of Andrei Voznesensky. He presented a paper in Russian on this topic to the Cambridge Russian-speaking Society. Particular emphasis was placed on Voznesensky's controversial fascination with up-to-the-minute cultural and technical phenomena, including rock opera and internet poetry. Meanwhile his longstanding sense of the fragility of human existence, under threat from political and environmental dangers, has in frail old age been supplemented by a touching awareness of his own poor health and mortality.

Katherine Jane Briggs completed her PhD thesis on 'Dostoevsky, Women, and the Gospel: A Feminist Theological Perspective' in July.

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Birmingham Slavonic Monographs

2007 saw the appearance of no. 37 in this occasional series of scholarly publications, by Wendy Rosslyn (Nottingham) - a comprehensive account of the origins of women's philanthropy in the Russian Empire. Based on rare printed and archival materials, the book fills a gap in the social history of the Russian Empire by analysing the female philanthropic associations set up in the aftermath of Napoleon's invasion of Russia in 1812.

Publication details: Wendy Rosslyn, *Deeds, Not Words: The Origins of Women's Philanthropy in the Russian Empire*, x + 516pp., index, 2007, £38.00

Members of CREES may order copies at 25% discount from Marea Arries in the CREES office.

THESES AND DISSERTATIONS

Completed

A Apostolov 'Bulgarian Youth Cultural Practice Between the Global and the Local' (PhD; supervisors HA Pilkington and EA Edginton)

R Cole 'Adaptation to Changing Circumstances: Crises, Threats and Opportunities in the Russian Zapovedniki since 1990' (PhD, supervisor JM Cooper)

B Fowler 'Foreign Direct Investment in Oil Industries in CIS Countries. A Comparison of Policies and Outcomes in Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, and Russia' (PhD; co-supervisor TJ Haughton/K Wolczuk)

J Jo 'Soviet Trade Unions under the Stalinist Industrialisation, 1928-1937' (PhD; co-supervisors JR Smith and M Ilić)

JC Walker 'The Transition from Education to Work in Post-Soviet Russia: Institutional Change and Social Reality' (PhD; supervisor HA Pilkington)

In Preparation

M Afanasseva 'Institutions in Russian Transition: The Case of the Defence Industry' (PhD; co-supervisors JM Cooper and TJ Haughton)

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- S Aris The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation and security in Central Asia (PhD; supervisor DL Averde)
- M Atwal 'Political Disengagement amongst Young Russians' (PhD; supervisor DJ White)
- K Avedissian 'Real and Perceived Social Inequalities Among Ethnic Groups in Stavropol'skiy Krai and the Effect of these Inequalities on these Groups' Access to Political Capital' (PhD; supervisor JR Smith and JB Morris)
- O Barbullushi 'Under the Gaze of Europe: Albanian Foreign Policy in the Post-Communist Era' (PhD; co-supervisors TJ Haughton and K Wolczuk)
- B Brauer 'The History and Politics of Oil Development in Kazakhstan' (PhD; co-supervisors P Hanson and JM Cooper)
- K Cassidy Region and Identity: A Study of Everyday Discourse and Cultural Practice in Bukovyna' (PhD; supervisor K Wolczuk)
- O Doughty 'The Media and Politics in Ukraine' (PhD; co-supervisors K Wolczuk/D Marsh)
- A Duda 'Youth Activism as the Driving Force behind the Development of Democratic Opposition Campaigns and Peaceful Revolutions: Comparative Study of the Georgian *Kmara* and Ukrainian *Pora* Organizations and their Impact on Emerging Russian Youth Movements' (PhD; co-supervisors K Wolczuk and DJ White)
- M Frear 'Political Change in Independent Belarus' (PhD; supervisor K Wolczuk)
- T Gladkikh 'Erosion of National Identity? The Role of the International Business Environment in Shaping the Cultural Identities of Russian and British Business People' (PhD; supervisor JM Cooper)
- EP Graystone 'Russian National and Religious Identity During the Years of the Time of Troubles (1610-13)' (M.Phil; co-supervisors MP Perrie/JS Smith)
- E Gyulazyan 'Caucasian Diplomacy: its Essence, Implications and Interrelation with Security in Europe' (PhD; co-supervisors DL Averde and JR Smith)
- R Hornsby 'Protest and Dissent in the Khrushchev Era, From the Secret Speech to Sinyavsky and Daniel' (PhD; co-supervisors JR Smith, M Ilić and A Titov)
- D Ionescu 'Weakness of the EU Evaluation of a Candidate: Lessons to be Learned from the Bulgarian/Romanian Experience' (PhD; supervisor TJ Haughton)
- L Kossyguina 'Migrants without Russian Citizenship from Former Soviet-Republics in Russia: the Experience of Adaptation' (PhD; supervisor HA Pilkington)

- J Lane 'The Political Impact of Counter-Revolutionary Repression in Russia, 1906-7' (PhD; supervisor MP Perrie)
- M Nash 'Relations between the Catholic and Orthodox Churches in the Russian Federation' (PhD: co-supervisors JR Smith and DJ White)
- J Obradovic 'Victimhood and Denial Discourses: Serbian National Mythology in Narratives of Ethnic Conflict' (PhD; supervisor K Wolczuk)
- I Opdahl 'Energy in Russian Foreign Policy in the CIS, 1995-2005' (PhD; supervisor JM Cooper)
- J Perera 'Russia's Nuclear Industry' (PhD; supervisor JM Cooper) (on leave of absence)
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- M Skrybant 'The Relationship between Workers and Intellectuals in Poland 1976-1982/3' (PhD; Co-supervisors Jeremy Smith and TJ Haughton)
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- A Snetkov 'Russian Official Discourse on Chechnya and North Caucasus' (PhD; Co-supervisors G Yemelianova and DJ White)
- H Wakamatsu 'Interconfessional Relations between Belarus, Ukraine and Poland' (PhD; supervisor K Wolczuk)
- W Westwater 'Development of Regional Assemblies in Russia under Yeltsin and Putin' (PhD; co-supervisors TJ Haughton)
- C Wilkinson 'Societal Security in Kyrgyzstan' (PhD; supervisor DL Averre)

- M Yasuda 'Russia's WTO Accession and the Impact on Regional Economies' (PhD; supervisor JM Cooper)
- U Ziemer 'Inadvertent Cosmopolitans: Armenian and Adyghean Youth in Southern Russia' (PhD; co-supervisors HA Pilkington and Dr JB Morris)

SEMINARS

The Birmingham Russian History Seminars

October 2006

Elizabeth White (Birkbeck), 'The Transition of Leningrad from Military to Civilian City, 1944-1946'

Discussant: John Barber (Cambridge)

Yoram Gorlizki (Manchester) and Hans Mommsen, 'The Political (Dis)orders of Stalinism and Nazism'

Discussant: Richard Overy (Exeter)

December 2006

Dominic Lieven (LSE), 'Re-writing the Story of Russia's Defeat of Napoleon: How and Why'

Discussant: Maureen Perrie (CREES)

Alexander Titov (CREES) 'Russian Concepts of World History: a Danilevskii-Gumilev Comparison'.

January 2007

Michael Froggatt (Durham), 'Science in the Propaganda and Public Culture of the Khrushchev Era'

Discussant: Vera Tolz (Manchester)

Steve Smith (Essex), 'The Bolsheviks' Exposure of Saints' Relics in the Civil War and 1920s'

Discussant: Geoffrey Swain (Glasgow)

March 2007

Denis Shaw (Birmingham), 'Ideological, Institutional and Personal Rivalries among Geographers in the Late Stalin Era'

Discussant: Judith Pallot (Oxford)

Andrei Markevich (Warwick), 'How Much Control is Enough? Stalin and his Control (Audit) Organs'

Discussant: RW Davies (CREES)

May 2007

Gayle Lonergan (Oxford) 'Resistance, Support and the Changing Dynamics of the Cillage in Kolchakia in the Russian Civil War'

Discussant: Christopher Read (Warwick)

Martin Kragh (Stockholm School of Economics), 'Towards an Understanding of Soviet Industrialization in the 1950s and 1960s'

Discussant: Mark Harrison

Current Affairs Seminar

The following meetings took place, organised by Professor Cooper.

September 2006

Professor Julian Cooper (CREES/ERI) 'Russia's Revival: How Long, How Far?'

Kalypso Nicolaidis (European Studies Centre, St. Antony's College, Oxford) 'Does Europe still need a Constitution?'

Tim Haughton (CREES-ERI) 'A Change of Direction: The 2006 Slovak Parliament Elections'

November 2006

Professor Willie Paterson (IGS-ERI) 'Leading the Leaderless: Germany and the Presidency of the EU and G8'

Kasia Wolczuk (CREES-ERI) 'The Orange goes Blue: Ukraine under Yushchenko *and* Yanukovich'

Sean Hanley (SSEES, UCL) 'Right Turn, Dead End? The Czech Elections of June 2006 and their Aftermath'

December 2006

Professor Frances Millard (Essex) '*Plus Ca Change*: Political Turbulence in Poland'.

Dr Edwin Bacon (Birkbeck College, London) and Dr Bettina Renz (Kings College, London – RAF Cranwell) 'The Evolution of the Security Discourse in the Politics of Putin' (to mark publication of their book, *Securitising Russia* (Manchester University Press))

January 2007

Professor Julian Cooper (ERI-CREES) 'Russia and her Neighbours: A Troubled Year Ahead?'

Dr Kataryna Wolczuk (ERI-CREES) 'The EU and Ukraine: The Making of an 'Ideal' Neighbour'

Professor Oleg Manaev (Director, Independent Institute of Socio-Economic and Political Studies (IISEPS), Minsk) 'Belarus and Russia Today'

Nathaniel Copsy (Sussex/ERI-CREES) 'Yet Another Awkward Partner? Poland's Membership of the European Union'

Julie Elkner (ERI-CREES) 'The Cult of State Security in Contemporary Russia'

Dr David White and Dr Derek Averre (ERI-CREES) "'Sovereign Democracy": A New Ideology for Russia?'

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The ERI Seminar

This was convened by Drs Michelle Pace and Heiko Fritz.

October 2006

Jiří Příbáň (Cardiff Law School, University of Cardiff) ‘The Legal and Symbolic Power of European Identity’

November 2006

Paul Cooke (University of Leeds) ‘The Continually Suffering Nation? The Changing Cinematic Representation of Germans as Victims of WW II’

Heiko Fritz (Institute for German Studies, ERI, University of Birmingham) ‘How to clone the Celtic tiger? Reflections on Economic Policies of New EU Member States’

Charles Turner (University of Warwick) ‘Europe: From Future to Past’

December 2006

Mr Nikolaos Kastrinos (European Commission, RTD, Brussels) ‘Framework Programme 7 & the Socio-Economic Sciences & Humanities’

January 2007

Dr Magnus Ryner (POLISIS) ‘European Union at Bay: The Crisis of a Would Be Superpower’

February 2007

Dr James Sloam (Royal Holloway, University of London) ‘A Gathering Crisis? Germany under the Grand Coalition’

Dr Natasha Rulyova (ERI/CREES) ‘Post-Soviet Russian Television Through the Eyes of its Viewers’

March 2007

Dr Fraser Cameron (Director, EU-Russia Centre, Brussels) ‘The Future of EU-Russia Relations’

Prof Ray Barrell (National Institute of Economic and Social Research, London) ‘The Future of Economic and Monetary Union in Europe’

Round Table on the Future of EU Enlargement as part of the Conference ‘27 UP: Romanian and Bulgarian Accession and the Future of EU Enlargement’

Dr David Phinnemore (Queens University Belfast), Dr Heather Grabbe (European Commission, Brussels), Prof William E. Paterson (Director, IGS), Karolina Kottova (European Commission, Brussels)

Dr Alper Kaliber (POLISIS) ‘Reassessing Europeanization as a Quest for a New Paradigm of Modernity: The Arduous Case of Turkey’

ERI Graduate Seminar Series

Nicola Corkin convened the European Research Institute Graduate Seminar series for the 2006-7 session. This weekly event incorporates the former CREES Open Research Postgraduate Seminar and provides a forum for graduate students of the ERI, CREES and IGS and graduate students visiting the ERI to present and discuss research papers. Papers given by CREES postgraduates included:

May 2007

Matt Frear 'Prospects for Belarus: Lukashenko's Third Term'

Robert Hornsby 'Dissent and Political Protest in the Khrushchev Era'

Ulrike Ziemer 'Youth Cultures in Southern Russia: Reflections from the Field'

October

Jelena Obradovic 'Planning, Expectations and the Reality of Fieldwork: Ethnography in Serbia'

November

Odetta Barbullushi 'We are at war!' - Speaking Religion in Albania'

Russian Films

A programme of videos of Russian films has continued to be shown on Friday afternoons.

Russian Television

In 2006-7 the Centre received RTR Planeta and ORT. A number of other East European channels can also be received

OTHER PUBLIC OUTPUT

Dr Averre submitted oral evidence to the House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee on 'Global Security: Russia', on 25 April 2007. He also gave several interviews for Sky News/radio stations on aspects of Russia's external affairs during the year.

Professor Davies was interviewed by Benjamin J Smith of the Centre for Contemporary Governance and Citizenship of the UK (University of Birmingham) on EH Carr as a scholar, with particular reference to his views on international affairs; published in their Online Resources 'Essays, Articles, Interviews and Think-Pieces' (*see* Publications).

Professor Hanson wrote thirteen daily briefs on Russian economic developments, each of 2-3 pp, for clients of Oxford Analytica (sample briefs accessible on www.oxan.com). He also gave interviews on 'Russian Economic Developments' to China Radio International in June and July 2007 and was interviewed by RBK (Russia), National Public Radio (US) and *Dziennik* newspaper during the year. Professor Hanson gave advice on Russia (by invitation) to EU Trade Commissioner Peter Mandelson in Brussels, along with two other specialists (from the Bank of Finland and the OECD) on 2 March 2007. He also gave written evidence (by invitation) on 'Russian Economic Independence of the West' to the House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee Russia Enquiry on 30 April 2007.

Dr Haughton briefed the incoming British Ambassador to Slovakia, Michael Roberts, on domestic politics in the country. He also commented on British/Slovak/European politics for Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, European Voice, Slovak Radio, two leading Slovak dailies (Sme and Hopodarske noviny).

Dr Ilić supplied English and Russian-language materials to Bovington Tank Museum on Russian women tank drivers in WWII. I also consulted with a non-academic historian who is working on the last days of the Romanovs.

Dr Smith gave oral consultancy on South Caucasus, to the Foreign Ministry of Finland in June 2007.

Dr White gave interviews to various radio stations (e.g. BBC Radio WM, BBC Radio Coventry & Warwickshire, BBC Radio Shropshire) on topics such as the Litvinenko affair, the death of Boris Yeltsin, Opposition marches in Russia, Russian parliamentary elections.

Dr Yemelianova gave a number of radio interviews on the situation in Muslim Caucasus and Central Asia.

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

Dr Bacon gave an interview for Russia Today TV in November 2006 and wrote several pieces for Oxford Analytica Daily Brief during the year.

Professor Harrison was interviewed, to mark the occasion of the last repayment of Britain's war debt to the United States on 29 December 2006, in 'U.K. Makes Final Payment to U.S. for Post-WWII Reconstruction', by Bryan Mitchell, for *Stars and Stripes*, 10 January 2007; BBC Radio 4 News; World Service; Radio CWR; Radio WM; and Radio France, all on 29 December 2006; and The World Tonight, by Jonty Bloom for BBC Radio 4, 7 December 2006.

Professor Pilkington gave an interview entitled 'Ksenofobiiia po-rossiiski' to the Washington Profile which was published at <http://www.washprofile.org/ru/node/6429> on 10.05.2007. An article based on an interview with Hilary Pilkington and Elena Omel'chenko was written by Nick Holdsworth - 'Russia sees Rise in Hate Crimes' - and published in the Times Higher Education Supplement on 9 February 2007, p 10.

Honorary Research Fellow

Dr Holtom carried out a study of SALW production in Russia for Saferworld.

Dr Westwood collaborated with Oxford Analytica consultancy on the assessment of Russian Railways between October - December 2006.

Dr Whitmore carried out consultancies for the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in March and for the Center for Public Integrity, Washington DC in October 2007.

ANNUAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE

St Catharine's Foundation Lecture by Guest Speaker: David Gowan "What are Serbia's Ambitions in the Balkans and Europe?"

'Preparing for Life Without Putin: the 2007-2008 Electoral Cycle in Russia'

Chair: Edwin Bacon (Birkbeck)

Speakers: Richard Sakwa (Kent) 'The Putin Succession and Factionalism'

Luke March (Edinburgh) 'A Just Russia and the Kremlin's Potemkin Populism'

David White (CREES) 'Life in the Margins: Can the Russian Opposition Recover?'

European Neighbourhood Policy and Ukraine – Saturday

Chair: Tim Haughton (CREES)

Speakers: Iryna Solonenko (ERI) ‘ENP as a Tool to Support Political Transformation of Ukraine’

Nathaniel Copsey (CREES) ‘ENP and the Member States’

Kataryna Wolczuk (CREES) ‘Adjectival Europeanisation? The Impact of the European Neighbourhood Policy on Ukraine’

The Russian Security Apparatus: Past & Present

Chair: Derek Averre

Speakers: Stephen G. Wheatcroft (University of Melbourne/CREES), ‘Agency and Terror: Evdokimov and Mass Killing in Stalin’s Great Terror?’

Iain Lauchlan (University of Stirling), ‘Symbiosis? Stalinism and the Secret Police, 1918-41’

Bettina Renz (King’s College London/CREES), ‘Post-Soviet Security Sector Reform’

Roundtable on Memory and Identity in Former Communist Countries

Chair: Tim Haughton

Speakers: Ger Duijzings (SSEES) ‘Commemorating Srebrenica: Histories of Violence and the Politics of Memory in Eastern Bosnia’

Jana Howlett (University of Cambridge) ‘Russia’s Obsession with the Past’

Peter Rodgers (Kharkiv National University of Ukraine), ‘Creating National Unity out of Diversity? History, Identity and “Living” Memories in Ukraine’

Meike Wulf (SSEES), ‘A Contextualisation of the Disputed Bronze Soldier Monument in Contemporary Estonia’

Discussant: Harald Wydra (University of Cambridge)

Energy

Chair: Dr Derek Averre (CREES)

Speakers: Philip Hanson (CREES) ‘Russian Policies and Russian Energy Supplies’

Mike Bradshaw (Leicester) ‘Lessons from the Battle for Sakhalin: State Champions and the Role of Foreign Investors’

Alexandra Prodromidou (ERI) ‘Russian Energy Policy and the Caspian Region: The Security Parameters’

Construction of Conflict in the Balkans

Chair: Judy Batt (CREES/EU-ISS Paris)

Speakers: Catherine Baker (SSEES) ‘They tore down our houses, we built them up again’: Croatian Popular Music and Representations of Homeland War Memory in Slavonia’

Dragana Obradovic (SSEES) ‘Writing War in *Sarajevo Blues*’

Jelena Obradovic (CREES) ‘The Role of Victim Discourse and Conspiracy Theory in Serbian Constructions of Ethnic Conflict’

TRAVEL AND VISITS

Visits by Centre Staff, Associate and Honorary Members

Aleksandra Duda, postgraduate student, was invited to the John W Kluge Center at the Library of Congress (Washington DC, USA) to conduct a three-month study as a Research Fellow in 2007.

Dr Ilić made a 2-week research visit to Samara in April 2007.

Professor Malle participated in a AFP meeting in Alushta, Crimea, on the development of university teaching courses focused on market economics advising on economic literature and organisation of teaching. She also joined the Open Society's Academic Fellowship Programme for former Soviet Union countries as a non-resident scholar and within the framework of this programme she visited the Department of Economic Theory and International Economic Relations of the University of Odessa three times, lecturing on the economic development of BRICs, on China and on the mandate and activities on non-member countries of the OECD, and advising PhD students.

Erica Richardson visited the Ministry of Health in Minsk, Belarus in May and the Ministry of Health in Chisinau, Moldova in September to work on health system profiles for each country.

Dr Westwood visited the Shatura Electric Generating Station, Moscow region, in October to advise on the establishment of a tourist railway.

Visitors to the Centre

Mr Paul Bergne, CBE, former British Ambassador to Uzbekistan and Director of the Oxford Society for Caspian and Central Asia, Oxford, 23.10.06.

Ms Elizabeth Rood, Eastern Research Group of the FCO, 09.11.06.

Mr Simon Paul, Team Leader, the EU TACIS and the Balkans Monitoring programme, Brussels, 22.11.06.

Professor Aigul Zabirowa, head of the Department of Philosophy and Sociology, Astana State University, Kazakhstan, 26.09.07.

Gisela Stuart MP, 8 December, to talk to first-year undergraduates.

For the 27UP: Romanian and Bulgarian Accession and the Future of EU Enlargement, conference 15 March 2007, the following gave presentations:

Raduta Matache, Acting Ambassador of Romania to the UK

Vasile Puscas, Former Chief Negotiator of Romania to the EU

Professor Tom Gallagher, Professor of Ethnic Conflict and Peace, University of Bradford

Mihai Toniuc, Romanian Ministry of Environment and Water Management

Gergana Noutcheva, Research Fellow, Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels / University of Maastricht

Stefan Katsarov, Bulgarian Ministry of Finance

Cristina Chiva, University of Salford

Dr. David Phinnemore, Queen's University, Belfast

Dr. Heather Grabbe, Member of the Cabinet of Commissioner Rehn, European Commission

Karolina Kottova, Member of the Cabinet of Commissioner Frattini, European Commission

PRIZES AWARDED TO STUDENTS

The Elisabeth Koutaissoff prize for the best first year undergraduate with Russian was won by Mark Bruns and Simon Young.

The Baykov Prize for the best second year undergraduate with Russian was awarded to Laura Hills and Matthew Barnett.

The Konovalov prize for the best final year student was awarded to Joanne Hoban.

The Grayson Prize for the best first year postgraduate students was awarded to Maya Atwal.

APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONALIA

Dr Jeremy Smith was Visiting Research Fellow at Aleksanteri Institute, Sept 2005-August 2007.

Dr Nathaniel Copsey joined the ERI as a CEELBAS Research Fellow in 2007.

Dr Ilić was promoted to Reader at University of Gloucester in 2007.

Dr Charles Walker's joined St Antony's College, Oxford as a CEELBAS Research Fellow in 2007.

Dr Brigid Fowler took up a post as a researcher for the House of Commons Foreign Affairs Select Committee.

Jelena Obradovic has been awarded a three month Visiting Fellowship at the EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris, starting January 2008.

John Russell who received his doctorate from CREES in December 1987 was made Professor of Russian and Security Studies in the Department of Peace Studies at the University of Bradford (from 1/4/2007).

Birth congratulations are due to:

Hanna and Jeremy Smith - son, Taika Maria Leonora Smith, in February 2007.

Kasia and Roman Wolczuk – a son, Roman, in November 2007.

Erik Gyulazyan – a daughter, Emma, in December 2007.

Paul and Sandra Holtom – a son, Alf Reinholds Vincent, in October 2007

Bernd Rechel – a daughter, Anna, in December 2007.

Erica Richardson – a daughter, Edith, in January 2008.

Natalia Rulyova – a daughter, Mila, in June 2007.

Sarah Whitmore – a daughter, Larisa Frances 3 February 2008