



International Conference
Minorities and Conflicts: Asian and African
States in the Modern World

October 9-10, 2015

Conference venue: Higher School of Economics in
St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3

Centre for Asian and African Studies
Department of Asian and African Studies



OFFICIAL PROGRAM

Conference venue: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg,
Kantemirovskaya Str. 3

Day 1, October 9 2015 (Friday)

09:30-10:00

Registration

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, registration desk by the room №247

10:00-10:20

Opening ceremony

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, room №247

- **Sergey Kadochnikov**, *Professor, Director of the Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*
- **Alexander Semyonov**, *Professor, Deputy Director of the Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*

10:30-12:30

Plenary session “Minorities and Conflicts: Research Questions and Theoretical Approaches”

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, room №247

Moderators:

- **Evgeny Zelenev**, *Professor, Head of the Department of Asian and African Studies, Director of the Centre for Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*
- **Sang-Chul Park**, *Professor, Director of the Center for Supporting Small Champion Corporations, Graduate School of Knowledge based Technology and Energy, Korea Polytechnic University*

Presentations:

- **Evgeny Zelenev**, *Professor, Head of the Department of Asian and African Studies, Director of the Centre for Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*
Theoretical Approach to the Research Project “Minority vs. Majority in the Asian and African Regions”
- **Leonid Ionin**, *Tenured Professor, Department of Theoretical Economics, Higher School of Economics*

Minority Groups Formation and Naturalization of Ethnicity

- **Gerrit Olivier**, *Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Pretoria, South Africa*
Political accommodation in South Africa
- **Andrey Korotayev**, *Professor, Head of the Laboratory of Monitoring of the Risks of Sociopolitical Destabilization, Higher School of Economics*
Arab Spring as a Super Critical Phenomenon. Minority Problems in the Context of the Global Phase Shift
- **Alexander Poddiakov**, *Tenured Professor Department of Psychology, Higher School of Economics*
Interactions of systems asymmetrical in integration-differentiation

Discussion

12:30-13:00

Coffee break

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, ground floor, cafeteria

13:00-14:30

Session 1 “Small Social Groups in Multicultural Societies”

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, room №247

Moderators:

- **Anton Alexeev**, *Leading research fellow, Centre for Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*
- **Deon Geldenhuys**, *Professor, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Johannesburg, South Africa*

Presentations:

- **Sang-Chul Park**, *Professor, Director of Center for Supporting Small Champion Corporations, Graduate School of Knowledge based Technology and Energy, Korea Polytechnic University*
A Study on Roles of Migrant Workers in Korean Society
- **Roman Lobov**, *Postgraduate student, Center of Korean Studies, Institute of Far Eastern Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences*
Korean diaspora in Japan and Korea-Japan relations
- **Deon Geldenhuys**, *Professor, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Johannesburg, South Africa*
A case for cultural autonomy in South Africa
- **Leonid Issaev**, *Senior Lecturer, Vice-head of the Laboratory of Monitoring of the Risks of Sociopolitical Destabilization, Higher School of Economics*
Zaidiyyah's minority at the social and political continuum of Yemen

Discussion

14:30-15:30

Lunch

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, ground floor, cafeteria

15:30-17:30

Session 2 “State Policies and Community Identities in Plural Societies”

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, room №247

Moderator:

- **Milana Iliushina**, *Professor, Department of Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*
- **Vahe Boyajian**, *Research fellow, Department of Contemporary Anthropological Studies, National Academy of Sciences, Armenia*

Presentations:

- **Azize Serap Tunçer**, *Associate Professor, Faculty of Economic and Administrative Sciences, Ahi Evran University, Turkey*
The Changes in Turkey’s Policies on Minority
- **Vahe Boyajian**, *Research fellow, Department of Contemporary Anthropological Studies, National Academy of Sciences, Armenia*
Decline of the Traditional Tribal System among the Baluch of Iran (Observations from the Sarhadd Region)
The last exiles of Istanbul (deportation of Greeks from Istanbul in 1964)
- **Sofya Ragozina**, *Specialist, Institute of Education, Higher School of Economics*
Protection of Shiite children rights in contemporary Bahrain
- **Ruben Melkonyan**, *Associate Professor, Department of Turkic Studies, Faculty of Oriental Studies, Yerevan State University*

Discussion

Day 2, October 10 2015 (Saturday)

10:00-11:30

Session 3: “Identities and Conflicts in the Asian and African Countries – 1”

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, room №247

Moderator:

- **Nina Grigoreva**, *Associate Professor, Leading Research Fellow, Deputy Director of the Centre for Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*
- **Anton Alexeev**, *Leading research fellow, Centre for Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*

Presentations:

- **Nasim Basiri**, *Researcher, Osmania University, India*
Torture, Rape and Other Forms of Sexual Violence against Women and Girls from Iraq's Yazidi
- **Andrey Chuprygin**, *Senior Lecturer, School of Asian Studies, Higher School of Economics*
Practices of Islamic State (ISIS) in the Context of Islamic Eschatology
- **Naira Sahakyan**, *Phd student, Department of Arabic Studies, Yerevan State University, Armenia*
The image of Yazidi minority in the IS's official magazine "Dabiq" (No 1-10)
- **Larisa Chuprygina**, *Senior Lecturer, School of Asian and African Studies, Faculty of World Economy and International Affairs, National Research University Higher School of Economics*
Arabic Language as a Factor of Mobilisation Technologies of the Islamic State (ISIS)

Discussion**11:30-12:00****Coffee break****Location:** Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, ground floor, cafeteria**12:00-13:00****Session 4: "Identities and Conflicts in the Asian and African Countries – 2"****Location:** Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, room №247**Moderators:**

- **Anton Alexeev**, *Leading research fellow, Centre for Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*
- **Nina Grigoreva**, *Associate Professor, Leading Research Fellow, Deputy Director of the Centre for Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*

Presentations:

- **Alisa Shishkina**, *Junior Research Fellow, Laboratory for Monitoring of Social and Political Destabilization Risks, Higher School of Economics*
Women in the Arab spring protests: "going out"
- **Naum Berkovich**, *Professor, St. Petersburg State University of Service and Economics*
The Conflict Potential of the Contemporary Local Communities

- **Anton Alexeev**, *Leading research fellow, Centre for Asian and African Studies, Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg*

Lutis in Socio-Political Processes in Iran (XIX - XXI centuries)

Discussion

13:00-13:30 Closing ceremony

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, room №247

13:30-15:00 Farewell Lunch

Location: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya Str. 3, ground floor, cafeteria

15:00-19:00

City tour (for registered speakers)

Departure: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Kantemirovskaya, 3, ground floor, entrance hall