

EUROPE: EAST AND WEST
UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM 2008

With participants from:

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SESSION I: 9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

Cultural Perspectives (William Pitt Union, Room 511)

Gregory Blandino	“The American Dream in Italy”
Stephen Grebinski	“Convenient Histories: Josef Stalin and the Soviet Myth of Creation”
Paul Joseph Prezzia	“Enlightened Witchhunts”
Margaret Soltis	“Prologue, Chorus, and Epilogue in Shakespeare’s Dramaturgy”

EU Security Policy (William Pitt Union, Room 540)

Lindsey Bailet	“The European Union Administration of Mostar: Success or Failure?”
Bethany Eroh	“Franco-German Relations and the Development of CFSP”
Susan Kamerer	“The Barcelona Process: Case Study for the Widening and Deepening of CFSP”
Demos Papadimas	“From the West to the East: British Bases in Gibraltar and Cyprus”

SESSION II: 11:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

Migration, Ethnic and National Identity (William Pitt Union, Room 511)

Hannah Bergman	“A Threat to Switzerland? Immigration and the Swiss Radical Right”
Ryan Burger	“The Danish Dichotomy: Balancing the Need for Immigration with the Preservation of Ethnic Identity”
John Hartman	“The Rise of Austrian Populism”
Evan Sparling	“Postwar Visions of Subcarpathian Rus’ ”

Conduits of Violence (William Pitt Union, Room 540)

Caitlin Cater	“Humanitarian Bureaucracy: Disabled Veterans, Private Charities and the State in WWI”
Daniel Gore	“The Prerogative to Human Rights: From Ostpolitik to Charter 77”
Erin Hinson	“From Guns to Politics: The Paramilitary Reassessments”
Phillip Lundell	“Ethnicity and Organized Crime in Bosnia and Herzegovina”

SESSION III: 1:30 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Pipelines and Lifelines: The Economics of Division
(William Pitt Union, Room 511)

Lia Rae Edmunds	“Nord Stream: Pipeline of Natural Gas, Innovation, and Controversy”
Jason Englemann	“The Second-Tier Status of Eastern Europe”
Daniel Lindy	“Europe’s Dependency on Russian Energy Supplies”
Scott Olmstead	“The Sakhalin-II Project”

President Putin’s Policies
(William Pitt Union, Room 540)

Ashley Farkas	“Turning Out the Fourth Estate: What Putin’s State-Managed Democracy Means for the Russian Mass Media”
Eric Ross Feld	“Fear in the Federation: Russia’s Environmental Crisis”
Tyler Kaido	“The Sakhalin-I Project”
Sean Pattwell	“The Siloviki and Security Reform: A Mutually Reinforcing Phenomenon”

3:45 P.M.

CLOSING CEREMONIES & PRESENTATION OF AWARDS
(Frick Fine Arts Auditorium)