MAY 9-10, 2019

Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

5020, Belfer Case Study Room
CGIS South, 1730 Cambridge St., Cambridge, MA

INTERPRETING ENERGY DEPENDENCE IN EURASIA

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies
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WELCOME
9:30-10:00 a.m. Registration
10:00 a.m. Opening remarks
- Rawi Abdelal, Director, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University; Herbert F. Johnson Professor of International Management, Harvard Business School

PANEL I
10:10-11:10 a.m. Rent-Seeking and the Vicious Circle of Energy Dependence
- Margarita Balmaceda, Professor of Diplomacy and International Relations, Seton Hall University
  *Threat and Temptation in Eurasian Energy Policies: On the Mirror of Belarus*
- Vitaly Yermakov, National Research University, Higher School of Economics
  *Russia’s Hydrocarbon Rent: Managing the Resource Curse*

Moderator: Rawi Abdelal, Director, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University; Herbert F. Johnson Professor of International Management, Harvard Business School

COFFEE BREAK
11:15-11:30 a.m.

PANEL II
11:30-12:45 a.m. Tumultuous Energy Transition in Ukraine
- Jonathan Elkind, Fellow and Senior Research Scholar, Center on Global Energy Policy (CGEP), Columbia University/SPA
  *Ukraine’s Troubled Path to an Uncertain Energy Future*
- Johannes Bauer, First Counsellor, Head of Sector for Economic Cooperation, Energy, Infrastructure and Environment, EU Delegation to Ukraine
  *Ukraine’s Energy Sector Reforms: Energy Independency, EU Integration and Vested Interests*

Moderator: Timothy Colton, Morris and Anna Feldberg Professor of Government and Russian Studies, Harvard University

LUNCH BREAK
12:45-1:30 p.m.

PANEL III
1:30-2:40 p.m. Kazakhstan and Azerbaijan: Finding a Place in the Energy World
- Morena Skalamera, Assistant Professor of Russian Studies, Leiden University
  *Circling the Barrels: The Case of Kazakhstan’s Regime Stability in the Wake of the 2014 Oil Bust*
- Yunis Gubanov, Fellow, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University; Ph.D. Candidate, University of Cologne
  *The Energy Industry and Tendencies of Azerbaijani Energy Policy After the Breakup of the Soviet Union*

Moderator: Nargis Kassenova, Senior Fellow, Program on Central Asia, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University; Associate Professor, KIMEP University, Almaty

COFFEE BREAK
10:45-11:00 a.m.

PANEL IV
3:00-4:30 p.m. Dependence on the International Environment
- David Ramin Jalivand, CEO, Orient Matters
  *Iran – Managing Energy Dependence Under Sanctions*
- Juergen Braunstein, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School
  *Russia-Saudi Energy Alliance and Gas: Preparing for the Next Chapter?*
- Edward Chow, Senior Associate in the Energy and National Security Program at CSIS
  *China’s Belt and Road Initiative and Energy Security*

Moderator: Meghan O’Sullivan, Jeane Kirkpatrick Professor of the Practice of International Affairs, and Director, Geopolitics of Energy Project, Harvard Kennedy School; Member of the Board, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs

CONCLUDING REMARKS
4:30 p.m.
- Aurélie Bros, Postdoctoral Fellow, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University

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PANEL V
9:30-10:40 a.m. Clean Energy Transition[s] in Europe and China
- Valerie Karpf, Assistant Professor of Global Economics and Management, MIT Sloan School of Management
  *The Role of Markets in China’s Clean Energy Transition*
- Thierry Bros, Senior Research Fellow, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies; Member, the EU-Russia Gas Advisory Council
  *A new Narrative for Gas in Europe*

Moderator: Aurélie Bros, Postdoctoral Fellow, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University

COFFEE BREAK
10:45-11:00 a.m.

PANEL VI
11:00 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. Decreasing the Dependence for the Sake of the Environment
- John Fernández, Director, MIT Environmental Solutions Initiative
  *European Urban Energy Independence and the Environment*
- Carlo Ratti, Professor of Urban Technologies and Planning, MIT; Director SENSEable City Lab
  *Senseable Cities*

Moderator: Muriel Rouyer, Adjunct Professor of Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School

CONCLUDING REMARKS
12:10 p.m.
- Rawi Abdelal, Director, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University; Herbert F. Johnson Professor of International Management, Harvard Business School
**Dr. Johannes Baur**

Johannes Baur is Head of Sector for Economic Cooperation, Energy, Environment and Infrastructure at the Delegation of the European Union to Ukraine. He has worked in a variety of capacities in the European Commission’s Directorates-General for Energy and Transport, with a focus on external energy and transport relations and negotiations, and in Human Resources Management. From 2014 to 2016 he was a member of the Commission’s Support Group for Ukraine created in spring 2014 as a focal point for the Commission’s support to Ukraine and the post-Maidan Ukrainian government.

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**Dr. Aurélie Bros**

Aurélie Bros is a postdoctoral fellow at the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard University. She is a specialist in geopolitics, energy policy and Eurasia. She spent three years in Russia developing her skills as PhD student and then as assistant professor and researcher at the Moscow Higher School of Economics. She has gained a wide range of experience with the DG Energy of the European Commission, think tanks (IFRI), and in the private sector. In 2017, she published *Géopolitique du gaz russe* with Thierry Bros.

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**Prof. Rawi Abdelal**

Rawi Abdelal is the Herbert F. Johnson Professor of International Management at Harvard Business School and the Director of Harvard University’s Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies. Abdelal’s primary expertise is international political economy, and his research focuses on the politics of globalization and the political economy of Eurasia. Abdelal is currently at work on *The Profits of Power*, a book that explores the geopolitics of energy in Europe and Eurasia.

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Juergen Braunstein is a fellow at Harvard Kennedy School’s Belfer Center where he works on the Geopolitics of Energy Project. His research focuses on the drivers and consequences of the green energy ‘revolution’ for the global energy composition and its implications for existing and future interstate relations. Prior to this he coordinated the New Climate Economy Special Initiative on financing the urban transition at LSE Cities. Braunstein is the author of *Capital Choices: Sectoral Politics and the Variation of Sovereign Wealth*.

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Thierry Bros is a senior research fellow of the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies. From 2010 to 2016, he was Senior European Gas and LNG Analyst for Société Générale. Bros is Vice President of Research for Tellurian, a company building a global integrated low-cost LNG from the US, a senior expert at Energy Delta Institute, a visiting professor at SciencesPo Paris, a member of the EU-Russia Gas Advisory Council, and an advisory board member to Natural Gas World.

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**Prof. Margarita Balmaceda**

Margarita Balmaceda is Professor of Diplomacy and International Relations at Seton Hall University. Her research focuses on the energy politics of energy-poor states. She heads the study group “Energy materiality: Infrastructure, Spatiotemporality and Power” at the Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg, Germany. She is a member of the advisory board of the EU/Horizon 2020 project EU-STRAT, Forschungsstelle Osteuropa (Research Centre for East European Studies) at the University of Bremen, and the Zentrum für Osteuropa und Internationale Studien (Centre for East European and International Studies), Berlin.
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Yunis Gurbanov is a Ph.D. candidate and tutor in the Institute for International Politics and Foreign Policy at the University of Cologne. He has conducted research at the Harriman Institute of Columbia University and Baku State University. His research areas are the geopolitics in the South Caucasus and Central Asia, the energy policy in the Caspian Region, and the energy relations between the EU and Russia. He is a fellow in residence at Harvard University’s Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies.

Dr. David Ramin Jalilvand
David Ramin Jalilvand’s work focuses on the interplay between energy, economics, and international politics in Iran and the Middle East. Between 2015 and 2018, he led the Iran program of the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung in Berlin. Most recently, he co-edited The Political and Economic Challenges of Energy in the Middle East and North Africa (with Kirsten Westphal, Routledge 2018). He is a research associate with the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies.

Prof. Timothy Colton
Timothy Colton is the Morris and Anna Feldberg Professor of Government and Russian Studies. He is the author of, among other works, Moscow: Governing the Socialist Metropolis (Harvard University Press, 1995); Yeltsin: A Life (Basic Books, 2008, and published in Russia by Atticus-Azbuka in 2013); Russia: What Everyone Needs to Know (Oxford University Press, 2016); and Everyone Loses: The Ukraine Crisis and the Ruinous Contest for Post-Soviet Eurasia, with Samuel Charap (2017). Fellow of the American Academy for Arts and Sciences since 2011.

Dr. Jonathan Elkind
Jonathan Elkind is a fellow and senior research scholar at Columbia University’s Center on Global Energy Policy. From 2009 to 2014, he worked at the U.S. Department of Energy, serving as Assistant Secretary for International Affairs. Previously, Elkind worked at the Brookings Institution, the Joint Global Change Research Institute, the U.S. National Security Council, the Office of the Vice President of the United States, and the Council on Environmental Quality.

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Valerie Karplus is Assistant Professor of Global Economics and Management at the MIT Sloan School of Management. Karplus studies resource and environmental management in firms operating in diverse national and industry contexts, with a focus on the role of institutions and management practices in explaining performance. From 2011 to 2015, she directed the MIT-Tsinghua China Energy and Climate Project, a five-year research effort focused on analyzing the design of energy and climate change policy in China, and its domestic and global impacts.

Prof. John Fernández
John Fernández explores the resource requirements of cities and their economies as founder and director of the MIT Urban Metabolism Group. He also directs the MIT Environmental Solutions Initiative, a major global effort to mobilize the capacity of MIT toward transitions to a low-carbon and humane future. He has served as the co-director of the MIT International Design Center, Head of the Building Technology Program in the Department of Architecture at MIT, and Head of the Architecture and Sustainable Design program of the Singapore University of Technology and Design.
**Prof. Carlo Ratti**

An architect and engineer by training, Carlo Ratti teaches at MIT, where he directs the Senseable City Laboratory. His work has been exhibited in several venues worldwide, including the Venice Biennale, New York’s MoMA, London’s Science Museum, and Barcelona’s Design Museum. He is currently serving as co-chair of the World Economic Forum’s Global Future Council on Cities and Urbanization, and as special advisor on Urban Innovation to the European Commission.

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Morena Skalamera is Assistant Professor of Russian and International Studies at Leiden University and an associate of the Geopolitics of Energy Project at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government. Her research interests include the political economy of Eurasia, Russian and post-Soviet Politics, and the geopolitics of energy in Eurasia. Her current writings focus on issues of identity politics, exploring the interplay between international and domestic factors in policy making, and contemporary state-market relations with a focus on energy policy dynamics in Russia and Central Asia.

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Nargis Kassenova is Associate Professor at the Department of International Relations and Regional Studies and Director of Central Asian Studies Center (CASC) and China and Central Asia Studies Center (CCASC) of KIMEP University (Almaty, Kazakhstan). She is a member of the advisory group of the EU Central Asia Monitoring (EUCAM), the Academic Council of the European Neighbourhood Council (ENC), the advisory board of SenECA (Strengthening and Energizing EU-Central Asia Relations), and the advisory board of the Open Society Foundations (OSF) Eurasia Program.

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Muriel Rouyer is a Professor of Political Science at the University of Nantes, France (on leave), and Adjunct Professor of Public Policy at Harvard Kennedy School. A specialist of politics in the European Union, her research focuses on judicial and transnational democracy and mobilizations, constitutionalism, European and French feminism, and French politics. She is currently working on her book on *Transnational Democracy in Europe* (forthcoming, Presses de Sciences-Po). Rouyer is a faculty associate of the Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies at Harvard University.

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Meghan O’Sullivan is the Jeane Kirkpatrick Professor of the Practice of International Affairs and Director of the Geopolitics of Energy Project at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government. She is also the chair of the North American Group of the Tri lateral Commission. Her third book, *Windfall: How the New Energy Abundance Upends Global Politics and Strengthens America’s Power,* was published in 2017. O’Sullivan has extensive experience in policy formulation and in negotiation, including serving as special assistant to President George W. Bush and Deputy National Security Advisor for Iraq and Afghanistan.
Dr. Edward Chow

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