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April 17, 2009  
Columbia University  
701 International Affairs Building  
The Lindsay Rogers Room

## Program of the Day

- 9:15-9:30**     **Opening Remarks**  
Tim Frye  
(Columbia, Political Science)
- 9:30 -10:45**   **Culture and Society**  
Eliot Borenstein  
(NYU, Russian & Slavic Studies)
- Nadezhda Azhigikhina  
(Russian Union of Journalists)
- Cathy Nepomnyashchy, Moderator  
(Harriman Institute & Barnard, Slavic Department)
- 11:00-12:15**   **Economics and Political Economy**  
Padma Desai  
(Columbia, Economics)
- Tim Frye  
(Columbia, Political Science)
- Nina Khrushcheva, Moderator  
(New School)
- 12:30-1:45**    **Politics**  
Thomas Remington  
(Emory, Political Science)
- Marie Mendras  
(LSE)
- Ethan S. Burger, Moderator  
(Georgetown Law Center)

## Participants

**Nadezhda Azhigikhina** is the Executive Secretary of the Russian Union of Journalists. She holds a Ph. D. from Moscow State University.

**Ethan S. Burger** is an Adjunct Professor at the Georgetown University Law Center. He has practiced law for more than 18 years, specializing in Russian and Belarusian legal and political matters, international economic crime, and a range of other issues.

**Eliot Borenstein** is a Professor in the Russian & Slavic Studies department at New York University. He also serves as Director of the Morse Academic Plan.

**Padma Desai** is the Gladys and Roland Harriman Professor of Comparative Economic Systems and the Director of the Center for Transition Economies at Columbia University.

**Timothy Frye** is Marshall D. Shulman Professor of Post-Soviet Foreign Policy in the Department of Political Science and the Harriman Institute at Columbia University.

**Nina L. Khrushcheva** is an Associate Professor in the Graduate Program of International Affairs at The New School and senior fellow of the World Policy Institute.

**Marie Mendras** is a Professor at the London School of Economics and Political Science, and a Research Fellow at CERI-Sciences Po. She is the author of *Russie. L'envers du pouvoir* (Paris, Odile Jacob, 2008).

**Catharine Nepomnyashchy** is the Director of the Harriman Institute and Ann Whitney Olin Professor and Chair of the Slavic Department at Barnard College.

**Thomas F. Remington** is the Goodrich C. White Professor of Political Science at Emory University. He is also a Senior Fellow at the Davis Center for Russian & Eurasian Studies at Harvard University, where he is also a Visiting Professor of Government.