



**In cooperation with the Embassy of Lithuania in Ottawa, the Centre for European Studies and the Institute of European Russian and Eurasian Studies are pleased to**

**invite you to a talk by**

# **Leonidas Donskis**

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## **LITHUANIA-THE FIRST BREAKAWAY SOVIET REPUBLIC: RECONSTITUTING LITHUANIA'S IDENTITY AFTER 1990**

Becoming the first rebel and breakaway republic in the former Soviet Union, Lithuania represents a litmus test case examining the formula of *modus vivendi* between Russia and the West. The recent inclusion of Lithuania, the Baltics, and Central Europe as part of the Western security system will be discussed as a decisive event in world history, an event which can profoundly influence this long-abandoned part of Europe. Currently, Professor Donskis serves as Professor of Political Science and Philosophy, and Director of the Political Science and Diplomacy School at Vytautas Magnus University in Kaunas. Since 2002, he has been a Lithuanian representative to the European Cultural Parliament.

**Where: Room 2213, Dunton Tower, Carleton University**

**When: Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

*A light lunch offered by the Lithuanian Embassy at 1:00pm will precede the lecture, to begin at 1:30pm.*

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