

Draft Conference Program

Canada-Russia/Commonwealth of Independent States Conference

Presented by the Carleton's Institute of European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (EURUS) and the Department of Political Science, The Carleton Centre for the Study of Islam (Ottawa), Valdai Club (Moscow) and Center for Governance and Public Management (Carleton)

Muslims in Russia, the CIS and Canada: Cohabitation and Cooperation

March 8, 2013, Leeds 124, Carleton University, Ottawa



This conference will explore the patterns of Muslim and non-Muslim relations in Canada and the Russian/CIS contexts. Conference participants will explore a variety of issues related to Muslims in the East and West within their social, cultural and political contexts. Questions to be explored include: What are some commonalities and differences between the two communities? What are the areas that both communities can rely on for mutual understanding? What are the practical fields that one can explore for further and future collaboration?



Friday, March 8

- 9:00-9:30 Registration and Coffee
- 9:30-9:45 Opening remarks Dean/invited officials
- 9:45-10:00 Themes and questions: co-chairs Piotr Dutkiewicz and Jeff Sahadeo
- 10:00-12:30 **Morning Session: “Muslims in Russia and Eurasia”**
Chair: Piotr Dutkiewicz (Carleton University)
- Panel Ed Schatz (University of Toronto)
“Was the Rise of Political Islam Inevitable in Central Asia?”
Will Kymlicka (Queen’s University)
David Schimmelpenninck (Brock University)
“Islam in the Russian Mind”
Alikber Alikberov (Russian Academy of Science)
- 12:30-1:45 Lunch and networking
- 1:45-3:15 **Afternoon Session: “Muslim Experiences with Cohabitation: Development, Governance, and Education”**
Chair: Jeff Sahadeo (Carleton University)
- Panel Farhang Rajaei (Carleton University)
Zijad Delic (Ottawa)
Nail Mukharyamov (Kazan State University)
“Islam at the Regional Level: the Case of Tatarstan”
- 3:15-3:30 Conclusion and closing remarks by Piotr Dutkiewicz and Jeff Sahadeo

