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Lectures and Events AY 2010-2011

April 14, 2011
Student-organized conference "Russia and Eurasia: 20 Years after the Soviet Union".
Panel 1. "Russia and the West: Rivalry or Partnership?"
Panel 2. "Between East and West: Islam and Democracy in Middle Eurasia"
Panel 3. "Russia and the New Architecture of the Asia-Pacific Region"

April 6, 2011
Brown bag lunch with Fiona Hill, Director, Center on the United States and Europe, The Brookings Institution.
"Stagnation, Modernization or Westernization in Russia's Future"

March 30, 2011
Brown bag lunch with Ivan Krastev, Chairman of the Center for Liberal Strategies in Sofia, Bulgaria; Editor-in-Chief of the Bulgarian Edition of Foreign Policy
"Reset" between Russia and Central Europe?

March 9, 2011
Brown bag lunch with David J. Kramer, Executive Director, Freedom House; former Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (2008-2009); former Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs.
"U.S. Policy toward Human Rights in Russia: A Critique"

February 23, 2011
Lunch with David Cameron, Professor of Political Science, Yale University and Director of the Yale Program in EU Studies , and Mitchell Orenstein, Associate Professor, SAIS European Studies.
"Post-Soviet Authoritarianism: The Impact of International Actors and Alliances"

February 9, 2011
Lunch panel talk with The Hon. Pamela Quanrud, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Europe; Amb.Gyorgy Szapary, Ambassador of Hungary to the United States; Prof. Charles Gati, Interim Director, Russian and Eurasian Studies Program, SAIS; Amb. Kurt Volker, Moderator, Senior Fellow and Managing Director, Center for Transatlantic Relations, SAIS.
"Hungary: A Second Change of the System?"

November 17, 2010
Brown bag lunch with Alexander Vershbow, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, former U.S. Ambassador to the NATO (1998-2001); U.S. Ambassador to the Russian Federation (2001-2005); and U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Korea (2005-2008).
"Dealing with Russia"

November 16, 2010
Life After SAIS. Brown bag lunch with Ranko Milic, SAIS alumnus, Class of 2005; Manager of Russia and Ukraine Debt Capital Markets, Credit Suisse Securities (Europe).
"Careers in Banking: Russian Debt Capital Markets"

November 10, 2010
Brown bag lunch with Toby T. Gati, Former Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Russian Affairs at the National Security Council; Former Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research; Senior International Adviser, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP.
"US-Russian Economic Relations and Russia's Modernization Agenda"

November 3, 2010
Brown bag lunch with Marlene Laruelle, Visiting Scholar, Russian and Eurasian Studies Program, SAIS.
"Russian Policy in the Arctic: Ambitions, Dreams, and Strategies"

October 13, 2010
Brown bag lunch with Henry E. Hale; Director, Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, George Washington University.
 "Authoritarian Developments in Russia in the 2000s: A View from Below"

October 6, 2010
Life After SAIS. Brown bag lunch with Heather Kauffman, SAIS Alumna, Class of 2010, Nonproliferation Graduate Fellow, National Nuclear Security Administration.
"Nonproliferation Graduate Fellowship Program"

September 29, 2010
Brown bag lunch with Sergey Spasennov, Partner, The Pepeliaev Group LLC.
"Developments in Russian Legal Reform from the Standpoint of a Major Russian Law Firm"

September 15, 2010
Brown bag lunch with David Hoffman, Contributing Editor, Foreign Policy Magazine and The Washington Post; Former White House correspondent, State Department correspondent, Jerusalem and Moscow bureau chief, Foreign Editor, and Assistant Managing Editor at The Washington Post (1982-2009).
"The End of the Cold War: Reagan, Gorbachev, and Lessons for Today"

September 8, 2010
Back-to-school wine and cheese reception for new and returning Russian and Eurasian Studies students.