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**THE NPT AT 50: CHALLENGES, OPPORTUNITIES, AND RUSSIAN NATIONAL
INTERESTS**

Virtual Conference
24-25 November, 2020

Agenda

24 NOVEMBER, 2020

12.00 -14.00 (Moscow time)

Opening Session. NPT: The Five Decades

Moderators: Vasiliy Tuganov and Elena Sinitsyna, Ural Federal University

Welcoming remarks by Ural Federal University and the Swedish Radiation Safety Authority officials

Vladimir Orlov, Founder & Director of the PIR Center (Moscow, Russia); Professor, MGIMO University; President, Trialogue Club Int. *Major Pressure Points of the Nuclear Non-proliferation Regime: A Checklist for 2021 Review Conference*

Elena Sokova, Executive Director, Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-proliferation, (Vienna, Austria). *The Pandemic and Its Impact on Non-proliferation, Arms control, and Disarmament*

Maria Chepurina, External Relations Officer at Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization. *NPT and CTBT: towards a Common Goal*

Q&A

14.30-16.30 (Moscow time)

Session 1. Bilateral and Multilateral Disarmament: How to Move Forward?

Moderators: Ekaterina Lapanovich and Igor Adami, Ural Federal University

Tytti Erästö, Senior Researcher in the SIPRI Nuclear Disarmament, Arms Control and Non-proliferation Programme (Stockholm, Sweden). *Disarmament Initiatives within the NPT*

Andrey Baklitskiy, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for International Studies, MGIMO University; Consultant, PIR Center (Moscow, Russia). *The Prospects for U.S.-Russian Arms Control under the New U.S. Administration*

Alimzhan Akhmetov, Director of the Center for International Security and Policy (Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan). *TPNW and its Influence on a Global Disarmament Process*

Q&A

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12.00 -14.00 (Moscow time)

Session 2. The Regional Proliferation Challenges

Moderators: Arina Kazantseva and Kamran Gusseinov, Ural Federal University

Adlan Margoev, Analyst, Institute for International Studies, MGIMO University. *Iran's Nuclear Program: Scenario Analysis*

Gleb Toropchin, Associate Professor, Novosibirsk State Technical University, Novosibirsk State University of Economics and Management. *Asia-Pacific Region: Driver of Nuclear Energy Growth?*

Leonid Tsukanov, Head of the Middle East Youth Association (Yekaterinburg, Russia), **Gulnara Valiakhmentova**, Professor, Ural Federal University. *WMDFZ in the Middle East: Regional Rowers Approach*

Oksana Lekarenko, Professor, Tomsk State University. *Euratom's Nuclear Safeguards System as a Challenge to the IAEA*

Q&A

15.00-16.30 (Moscow time)

Session 3. Nuclear Non-proliferation Regime: Old and New Challenges.

Moderator: Ekaterina Mikhaylenko, Ural Federal University

Ekaterina Poryadina, Ural Federal University. *The Role of The Non-Aligned Movement in TPNW*

Fedor Zolotarev, Ural Federal University. *Political Priorities of Germany within NPT Regime: Analysis of Prepcom NPT 2019*

Yuriy Nikolaev, Saint-Petersburg State University. *The Role of the Andean States in the Nuclear Non-proliferation Regime*

Marina Gerasimenko, Ural Federal University. *Military Drones and Computer Simulation as an Alternative to Nuclear Weapons*

Elena Zyulina, Ural Federal University. *The Impact of a Gender Approach on Transforming the Nuclear Regulatory Order*

Arina Kasantzewa, Ural Federal University. *The CEND Initiative: Possible Evolution of the NPT?*

Q&A

15.00-16.30 (Moscow time)

Session 4. Nuclear Issues on the US-Russia Agenda

Moderator: Dmitry Pobedash, Ural Federal University

Valeria Pronina, Saint-Petersburg State University. *Why the New START Should be Extended?*

Vasily Tuganov, Ural Federal University. *Build Back Better: Could the US-Russian Strategic Relations be Rethought?*

Nadezhda Kulibaba, Saint-Petersburg State University. *The US Expert Community's Role in the Formation of Nuclear Risk Reduction Policy during the Cold War*

Elena Sinitsyna, Ural Federal University. *The Role of the U.S. Congress in Determining Nuclear Arms Control Policy under the Biden Administration*

Anna Naronskaia, Ural Federal University. *Global Challenges and Threats to the Russian National Security*

Q&A

15.00-16.30 (Moscow time)

Session 5. Regional Challenges to the Regime

Moderator: Kamran Gusseinov, Ural Federal University

Soumojit Mukherjee, National Research Nuclear University MEPhI. *The Iran Nuclear Crisis: Mistakes of the Past Haunting the Present*

Maksat Kamyssov, Saint Petersburg State University. *Basic Concepts of India-Pakistan Bilateral Nuclear Arms Control System and Their Practical Implementation*

Dmitrii Ganzha, Tomsk State University. *Nuclear Power in Taiwan: A Clash of Views*

Galina Topkasova, Saint Petersburg State University. *The Problem of Resolving the Iranian Nuclear Program at the Present Stage and Prospects for its Solution*

Ilya Khoroshiy, Tomsk State University. *Singapore – Discussion on the Prospects for the Development of Nuclear Energy*

Q&A

17.15-18.45 (Moscow time)

Book Presentation and Round Table Discussion “Nuclear Russia: International and Domestic Agendas”

Associate Professor **Ekaterina Mikhaylenko** and Associate Professor **Dmitry Pobedash**, Ural Federal University

Associate Professor **Andrei Pavlov**, Associate Professor **Andrei Bodrov** and Associate Professor **Anastasya Malygina**, Saint-Petersburg State University.

Professor **Larisa Deriglazova**, Tomsk State University

Nina Rozhanovskaya, Kennan Institute’s Coordinator and Academic Liaison in Russia

Professor **Nikolay Dronishinets** and Associate Professor **Grigory Zinoviev**, National Research Nuclear University MEPhI

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