







Roundtable

Functional triangular cooperation or competition between the EU, Russia and the Caucasus

July 4th 2014 at Schader-Forum, 11:00 - 1:00 pm, Darmstadt

Program – Roundtable (open for public/öffentlich)

Welcome Address

Alexander Gemeinhardt M.A., Chairman of the Board, Schader-Stiftung

Introductory speech

Prof. Dr. Michèle Knodt, Technische Universität Darmstadt *Dr. Sigita Urdze*, Technische Universität Darmstadt

Chair

Prof. Dr. Marianne Kneuer, Stiftung Universität Hildesheim

Speakers

H. E. Prof. Gabriela von Habsburg, former Ambassador of Georgia

H. E. Dr. Vahan Hovhannesyan, Ambassador of Armenia Dr. Rizan Nabiyev, Counsellor at the Embassy of Azerbaijan Björn Kühne, Chief of Cabinet/Political Advisor to the EUSR for the South Caucasus and the crisis in Georgia, solicited Silvia Stöber, Journalist

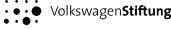
Please notice: No german language translation will be provided. Bitte beachten Sie: Wir bieten keine deutsche Übersetzung an. The region of the Northern and Southern Caucasus is characterized by instability, insecurity and democratically deficient political systems. For the EU this region is becoming more and more important due to economical as well as geostrategical considerations. Furthermore the EU is continuously attempting to promote democracy and human rights in the region. At the same time Russia is a central player in the region.

The goal of the conference is to hightlight the specific circumstances of the region and to discuss possibilities, effects and limits of EU and Russian influence both in the Northern as well as in the Southern Caucasus. This will be done by including the expertise of scientists, practioners and journalists. The key question will be how the triangular relations between Russia, the EU and the Caucasus will develop cooperation or competition?

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Place of conference Schader-Forum

Goethestr. 2 64285 Darmstadt

Arriving by local public transportation

To reach the Schader-Forum from the central station, please take tram 3 towards Lichtenbergschule to Goethestraße. The tram ride takes 15 minutes.

Arriving by car

Please note that the Schader-Forum does not offer private parking. There is only a limited amount of parking sites nearby. Directions and a location plan are available at: *http://www.schader-stiftung.de/service/ anfahrt/*

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