



## EU-RUSSIA WORKSHOP “OVERCOMING THE CRISIS AND SHAPING THE FUTURE”

*February 19, 2009, Moscow, 16/2 Tverskaya, the 7<sup>th</sup> floor*

**10.00-10.15 REGISTRATION**

**10.15-10.30 WORDS OF WELCOME**

**Dmitri Trenin**, Director, Carnegie Moscow Center

**Carolina Vendil Pallin**, Researcher, Swedish Institute of International Affairs

**10.30-12.00 THE GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS – EMERGING IN A STRONG POSITION**

**Chair: Dmitri Trenin, Director, Carnegie Moscow Center**

This session will focus on the impact of the economic crisis on the development of the EU and Russia.

- *What are the main risks and barriers to the development of the EU and Russia?*
- *Can they be eliminated or mitigated?*
- *How can cooperation between the EU and Russia help to overcome the crisis?*

*“Introduction to the Current Crisis”*

**Leonid Grigoriev**, President, Institute for Energy and Finance

*“An Evaluation of the Anti-Crisis Measures Taken by the Government of the Russian Federation”*

**Oleg Zamulin**, Professor of Economics, Russian School of Economics

*“Evaluation of the strategic programs of the RF in light of the global economic crisis”*

**Anatoly Barkovsky**, Deputy Director, Center for International Economic Research, Russian Academy of Sciences

*“Russia amid the crisis”*

**Yevgeny Yassin**, Ph.D in Economics, Prof., Higher School of Economics (HSE), former Minister of Economics

*Commentary*

**Sergey Vasiliev**, Director, Department of International Cooperation of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation

**12.00-12.15 Coffee**

**12.15- 13.30 INNOVATION AND CREATIVE THINKING – KEYS TO FUTURE ECONOMIC GROWTH**

**Chair: Carolina Vendil Pallin, Researcher, Swedish Institute of International Affairs**

This session will focus on innovation as a growth engine in Russia and the EU

- *How can innovation be stimulated through cooperation and competition in Russia and the EU?*
- *What are the EU and Russia's main advantages in building an innovative economy in the context of globalization? How can these advantages be enhanced?*

- *Could cross-border innovation clusters be the way ahead?*
- *How can the crisis influence the development of the innovation economy Russia?*

*“Will the crisis become a barrier or a trampoline for the innovative development in Russia?”*

**Vladimir Drebensov**, Group Chief Economist for the CIS, BP Trading Ltd.

*“Tendencies of innovative development in the Russian economy and the prospects for scientific and technical cooperation with the EU”*

**Timofei Bordachev**, director, Center for Complex European and International Research

*“Innovation and creative thinking”*

**Katerina Udalova**, Managing Director, UMACO MANAGEMENT

*“Electronic commerce in Russia”*

**Mattias Danielsson**, Vice President, “Kontakt East”

13.30-14.30 Lunch

## 14.30-16.00 SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTREPRENEURSHIP AS VITAL TOOLS FOR STRENGTHENING THE ECONOMY

**Chair:** **Natalia Bubnova**, Deputy Director of Communications, Carnegie Moscow Center

This session will focus on small and medium entrepreneurship as a basis for economic growth in Russia and the EU.

- *What are the main problems and challenges for SME during the crisis?*
- *How can SME help strengthen the economy in Russia during the crisis?*

*“The effect of the crisis on small and medium entrepreneurship in Russia”*

**Dina Krylova**, Executive Director, OPORA of Russia (Russian Association of Small and Medium Entrepreneurship)

*“The crisis through the eyes of Russian business – changing evaluations”*

**Maxim Dianov**, Director, Department of Regional Politics, RSPP (Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs)

*“Entrepreneurship policy – theory and practice”*

**Anders Lundström**, Prof., Swedish Foundation for Small Business Research

16.00-16.15 Coffee

## 16.15-17.15 CLOSING DISCUSSION: “MEASURES FOR DEEPENING ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN RUSSIA AND THE EU DURING THE CRISIS – COMMON CHALLENGES AND GOALS FOR THE FUTURE”

**Yevgeny Gavrilenkov**, Chief Economist, “Troika-Dialogue”

**Timo Hammarén**, Head of Economic, Trade and Agricultural Section, Delegation of the European Commission to Russia

**Frank Schauff**, CEO, Association of European Businesses in the Russian Federation

17.15-19.30 Dinner