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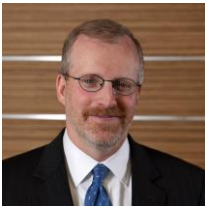
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Workshop Participants: Biographical Notes

Monday, June 11th, 2018 / 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.



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David J. Kramer joined Florida International University's Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs as a Senior Fellow in the Vaclav Havel Program for Human Rights and Diplomacy in May 2017. Before moving to Miami, Kramer had worked in Washington, DC for 24 years, most recently with The McCain Institute for International Leadership as Senior Director for Human Rights and Democracy. Before that, he served for four years as President of Freedom House. Prior to that, he was a Senior Transatlantic Fellow at the German Marshall Fund of the United States.

Kramer served eight years in the U.S. Department of State, including as Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor; Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs (responsible for Russia, Ukraine, Moldova and Belarus affairs as well as regional non-proliferation issues); Professional Staff Member in the Secretary's Office of Policy Planning; and Senior Advisor to the Undersecretary for Global Affairs. He also was Executive Director of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy in Washington.

Before joining the U.S. Government, Kramer was a Senior Fellow at the Project for the New American Century; Associate Director of the Russian and Eurasian Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; and Assistant Director of Russian and Eurasian Studies at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, all in Washington. Kramer has been an Adjunct Professor at the Elliott School for International Affairs at The George Washington University. He also is a member of the board of directors of the Halifax International Security Forum and a Member of the Advisory Council for the George W. Bush Presidential Center's Human Freedom Project.

A native of Massachusetts, Kramer received his M.A. in Soviet studies from Harvard University and his B.A. in Soviet Studies and Political Science from Tufts University.



Dina Moulioukova (PhD)
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Dina Moulioukova comes from legal background and holds a PhD in Russia-EU Relations from the University of Miami, and a law Degree in Russian Civil Law and International Law from Kazan State University in Russia. As a recipient of the Cambridge Overseas Trust Scholarship for the Russian Federation she completed her Master of Law (LL.M.) Degree at Cambridge University in England with a specialization in the European Union Law. In the United States, Ms. Moulioukova continued her training in International Law with a focus on international trade regulations and regional trade agreements. Dina's current research interests include dynamics and frameworks of the EU-Russia relations, energy security, Russian foreign policy and Russian identity. Her works includes publications and papers on Russia's membership in the WTO, Eurasian Economic Community, European Neighborhood Policy, Russia's perception of Europe as idea, model and reality, and the Northern Dimension as workable framework for the EU-Russia relations and Russian energy policy.



Markus Thiel (PhD)
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Dr. Thiel's research interests are the political sociology of the EU and European (Union) Politics more generally, Nationalism & Identity (Politics) and Mixed Methods Research Methodology. He has published several EU-related articles and book chapters at the EU Center of Excellence as well as in *Transatlantic Monthly*, *International Studies Compendium*, *Journal of Human Rights*, *Perspectives on European Politics & Society* and the *Journal of European Integration*. He published *The Limits of Transnationalism: Collective Identities and EU Integration* (Palgrave, 2011) and also co-edited four volumes: one with Lisa Prügl on *Diversity and the European Union* (Palgrave, 2009), one with Roger Coate on *Identity politics in the Age of Globalization* (Lynne Rienner/First Forum Press, 2010), one with Rebecca Friedman on *European Identity and Culture: Narratives of Transnational Belonging* (Ashgate, 2012), and the latest one on *Sexual Politics in IR: how LGBTQ claims shape IR* (Routledge, 2015). His current project focuses on focuses on the promotion of rights policies through civil society based on the EU's Fundamental Rights Charter/Agency (forthcoming 2016).

He regularly teaches CPO 3103 Comparative (Western) European Politics, CPO 3104 EU Politics, INR 3214 International Relations of Europe, INR 3502 International Organizations and the European Studies Colloquium, as well as graduate courses on European/EU Politics, International Organization and Research Design in IR. In addition, Dr. Thiel is a director of the Miami Florida Jean Monnet Center of Excellence and of GSIPA's European & Eurasian Studies Initiative.



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