

The Andrew Gagarin Center for Civil Society and Human Rights  
Faculty of Liberal Arts and Sciences  
St. Petersburg State University

**International Research Conference «Inequalities and social policy: New approaches to researching exclusion and disability», 9-10 April 2021**

9 April 2021

**Panel 1: Disability studies: history, current policies and their actors**

**16:00 (GMT+3)**

**Chair: Sarah Phillips (Indiana University)**

16:00 - 16:30 Oksana Sinyavskaya (Higher School of Economics, Moscow) Russian social policy responses to challenges of poverty and inequality: case studies of old age, disability and care needs

16:30 - 17:00 Bernhard Weicht (University of Innsbruck, Austria) A dignified end? Euthanasia Discourses and the Fear of Old Age and Dependency.

17:00-17:30 Claire Shaw (University of Warwick, UK) Making space(s) for Deaf Culture: Histories of Inclusion and Exclusion in Late Soviet Russia'

17:30 - 18:00 Maria Cristina Galmarini-Kabala (College of William & Mary, USA) Ambassadors of Social Progress or Obstacles to Integration? The Paradox of Russian Blind Activism in the Global Arena of the 1960s and 1970s.

Break 15 min

**Panel 2: Disability studies: history, current policies and their actors**

**Chair: Anna Klepikova (EUSP)**

18:15 - 18:45 Kassandra Hartblay (University of Toronto, Canada), Gyuzel Kamalova (University of Toronto, Canada) Is there a Soviet Concept of Disability Access?: Tracing lexicons of mobility and convenience from the late Soviet period to the 2010s.

18:45-19:15 Elena Iarskaia-Smirnova (Higher School of Economics, Moscow), Olga Verbilovitch (Higher School of Economics, Moscow) Disability Mediatization: New Actors and Challenges in Digital Age

10 April 2021

**Panel 1: Vulnerable children: political and cultural factors of exclusion**

**12:00 (GMT+3)**

**Chair: Anna Altukhova (EUSP)**

12:00 -12:30 Charlie Walker (University of Southampton, UK) Young people leaving care in Russia: welfare, resilience and social exclusion

12:30-13:00 Svetlana Yaroshenko (St. Petersburg State University), Astrid Schorn (Ph.D. at Free University Berlin) Regimes of exclusion through the prism of children from families with downward mobility in Russia

13:00-13:30 Galina Markova (New Bulgarian University, Bulgaria) Participatory Action Research as a Tool to Alleviate the Inequalities in Deinstitutionalization in Bulgaria

13:30-14:00 Break 30 min

**Panel 2: Vulnerable children: political and cultural factors of exclusion**

**Chair: Zhanna Chernova (Smolny Faculty, St. Petersburg State University)**

14:30-15:00 Meri Kulmala (University Helsinki, Finland), Anna Fomina (Helsinki University, Finland) Planning for the future: Future orientation, agency and self-efficacy of young adults leaving care in the Russian Arctic

15:30-16:00 Larisa Shpakovskaya (Sociological Institute of Russian Academy of Science; University of Helsinki, Finland) Up the down staircase: the ideology of opportunities and the limitations of educational choice of care leavers in Russia

16:00-16:30 Final discussion