



**Training Workshop:
Researching Russia through Social Media and New Datasets
Under the Kone Foundation Project:
‘Does Concern for Ethnic Russians in the Near Abroad affect Russian Policy-Making?’
19-20 March 2019**

All sessions at University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu Campus, Room MP202 (Metria building)

Draft Programme

Tuesday 19th March:

9.30-12.30 a.m. including coffee break:

“Approaches to using social media sources in Russian research” led by Jeremy Morris (Aarhus University). *Note: Some knowledge of Russian is needed for participation in the exercises*

13.30 – 17.00 p.m. including tea break:

“RuBase - (Re)Building a Knowledge Base on Russia Based on New Datasets and tools and New Forms of Collaboration” Part I, led by Stephan De Spiegeleire (Hague Centre for Strategic Studies)

Wednesday 20th March:

9.30-10.30 a.m.

Talk and discussion: Jeremy Morris (Aarhus University), author of *Everyday Post-Socialism: Working-Class Communities in the Russian Margins* (Palgrave, 2016) **“Finding habitability in today’s Russian monotown”**

10.45-12.15 a.m.

Panel on Ethnic Russians in the Former Soviet Republics:

Nikolai Mitrokhin (UEF and University of Bremen), **“What we can find and what we can not find in open social networks of Russian nationalists in 2013-2018: public and secret spaces”**

Carolina di Stefano (UEF), **“Dealing with migration on the brink of the Soviet collapse. The Russian committee of nationalities affairs and the fear of disintegration (1990-1991)”**

Jeremy Smith (UEF), **“Forensic Historiography: Why is there so much disagreement on Ethnic Russians in the Near Abroad”**

13.00-16.00 including tea break:

“RuBase - (Re)Building a Knowledge Base on Russia Based on New Datasets and tools and New Forms of Collaboration” Part II, led by Stephan De Spiegeleire (Hague Centre for Strategic Studies)