

Climate Change in the Soviet Union and Russia

Approaches and Debates
in Science, Society,
and Politics, 1960s-2010s

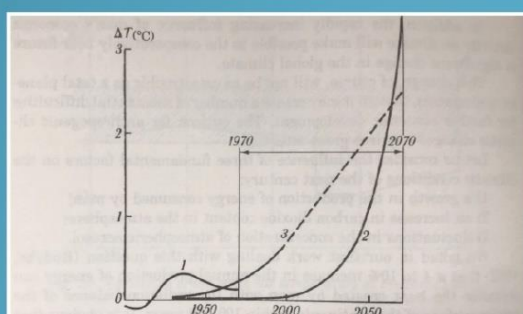
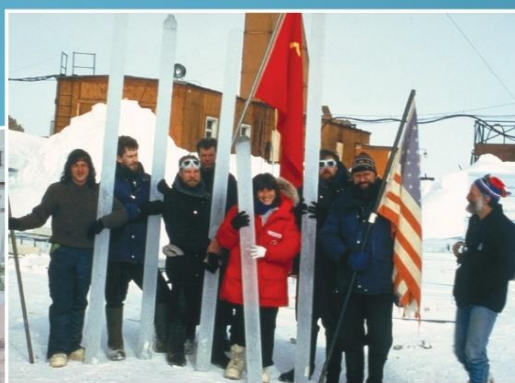


Fig. 33. Secular variations of air temperature anomalies at the earth's surface. (1) Variations of mean temperature; (2) variations due to growth of energy production; (3) variations due to growth in carbon dioxide concentration.



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***Climate change in the Soviet Union and Russia:
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(Moscow, 25-26 April 2019)

Humanities and Social Sciences Workshop

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Programme

April 25, 2019

9.45-10.15 Welcome & Introduction (Andreas Hilger (GHIM) & Benjamin Beuerle (GHIM))

10.15-11.45 **PANEL I: Climate change in Soviet and Russian history - broad themes and narratives**

Chair: Andreas Hilger (GHIM)

Andy Bruno (Northern Illinois University): Experiencing Climate in Russian History

Ruben A. Mnatsakanian (Central European University): Debates on climate change in USSR/Russia: full spectrum of opinions, no public consensus

Discussant: Natalia V. Nikiforova (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

11:45-12.00 *Coffee Break*

12.00-14.00 **PANEL II: Soviet and Russian climate science - understanding climate systems and predicting climate futures**

Chair: Nikolai M. Dronin (Lomonosov Moscow State University (MGU))

Julia A. Lajus (Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg): Changes in the Arctic climate as reflected in Soviet climatology, 1930s-1970s

Marc Elie (CNRS and CERCES (EHESS, Paris)): The D'iakov Controversy: Climatic theories and the development of climate sciences in USSR, 1970s and beyond

Alexey V. Sobisevich (Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow): The activities of the Russian Academy of Science's Council concerning the Kyoto Protocol and discussions around climate change

Discussant: Jonathan Oldfield (University of Birmingham)

14:00-15.30 *Lunch Break*

15.30-18.00 **PANEL III: The international dimension of Soviet and Post-Soviet climate science and politics**

Chair: Marianna Poberezhskaya (Nottingham Trent University)

Vladimir Jankovic (University of Manchester): Greenhouse Glasnost *[via Skype]*

Denis Shaw (University of Birmingham): Soviet and Russian Studies of Long-Term Climate Change in Antarctica: The International Context

Benjamin Beuerle (GHIM): The Soviet Union and Russia in international climate diplomacy before and after 1991

Igor A. Makarov (HSE Moscow): Determinants of Russia's participation in international climate change regime *[via Skype]*

Discussant: Julia Lajus (HSE St. Petersburg)

19.00 *Dinner*

April 26, 2019

9.15-10.45 **PANEL IV: The logics of climate scepticism and counter-discourses in Russia**

Chair: Benjamin Beuerle (GHIM)

Teresa Ashe (Open University, UK) & Marianna Poberezhskaya (Nottingham Trent Univ.): Situating Russia's climate scepticism within Western discourse: Incidence, Similarities and Differences

Veli-Pekka Tynkkynen (University of Helsinki) & **Dmitry Yagodin** (University of Helsinki): Regionalization of climate policies in Russia - local reality meets the national climate-denial narrative

Discussant: Andy Bruno (Northern Illinois University)

10.45-11.00 *Coffee/tea*

11.00-13.00 **PANEL V: Climate change issue within contemporary Russian politics and society**

Chair: Veli-Pekka Tynkkynen (University of Helsinki)

Alexandra G. Cherkasheva (St. Petersburg State University): Climate Governance Initiatives in Moscow and Saint Petersburg

Jessica Graybill (Colgate University): Examining geopolitical fields, cultures, and conditions: a critical geopolitics of climate change in Russia

Nikolai M. Dronin (MGU): Recent Russian grain production boom within the context of Russian agricultural history

Discussant: Marc Elie (CNRS and CERES (EHESS, Paris))

13.00-13.30 **FINAL DISCUSSION**

13.30-14.30 *Lunch*



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