A Political History of Techno-Scientific Governance:
The Shaping of Transnational Networks of Cold War Elites

The seminar is dedicated to the history of the transnational and global governance that emerged during the Cold War in the 1960s-1980s. The papers focus on international relations and the development of techno-science as it was revealed in the work of an US-Soviet think tank, the International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis in Laxenburg, Austria. Going beyond an institutional and conceptual history, the seminar will analyse practices in the formation of transnational governance by considering emerging formal and informal networks that included high politicians, policy makers, industrialists and scientists.

Speakers

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Leena Riska-Campbell’s current research interest deals with conceptual interpretations of the key concepts of the European integration process by juxtaposing American bridge building with European detente and German Ostpolitik.

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Discussion

Marie-Laure Djelic (ESSEC Business School)
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