



Call for participation
Interdisciplinary Research Seminar
**Network Perspectives on Communication, Knowledge & Culture:
From Theory to Empirical Applications**

November 16 2013, St. Petersburg, Russia

10.00 – 19.00

Centre for German and European Studies
Universitetskaya nab., 7/9

The seminar aims to provide an intense thinking-in-progress discussion of both theoretical and methodical issues relating to networks, knowledge, communication and culture. It will present several lines of research developed by Russian and European scholars, including their conceptual approaches and empirical applications. Participants will present and discuss their research in two parts: (1) from theory to method and (2) from method to empirical applications. The first part revolves around concepts of communication, knowledge and culture: how they can be seen through the network perspective and, as such, how they are interrelated; how they can be defined and thus operationalized. The second part presents a number of showcases of methods used in empirical applications linked to the theoretical and methodological positions suggested in the first part.

This seminar includes:

- A series of presentations focused on theoretical frameworks and methods of network studies in communication, knowledge and culture.
- Presentations and discussions of various empirical applications in organization and urban studies, as well as in the studies of politics, visual arts and literature.

Speakers:

Jan Fuhse, Humboldt University, Berlin

Nikita Basov, St. Petersburg State University and Alexandra Nenko, NRU Higher School of Economics

Wouter de Nooy, University of Amsterdam

Host/ Venue: Centre for German and European Studies, St. Petersburg State University, Russia.

Invited audience: researchers, PhD and MA students.

Working language: English.

Readings will be circulated prior to the seminar.

To apply for attendance please submit your CV and a short letter on why you want to attend the event to: info@zdes.spbu.ru.

Applications deadline: 20.10.2013. Successful applicants will be notified via email by 25.10.2013.