



## About the Conference:

The relation between autocracy and market economy has puzzled scholars ever since the breakthroughs of the 1980s in China and Eastern Europe. The so called "Big Bang Model" of Eastern Europe and the gradual transformation of the PRC (the "Chinese Model") have been contrasted both by observers from outside the regions as well as by the elites in the region. While initially, the Eastern European post-socialist path was regarded as a success story the booming economy in China later on shifted attention to East Asia. In both regions the question whether or not democracy is needed for sustainable growth is currently heavily debated.

This conference therefore aims to compare different paths of "post socialism" in East Asia and Eastern Europe. Drawing on strong traditions of research on East Asia, Eastern Europe and democracy at the University of Vienna, it brings together international experts and insights from a wide range of academic disciplines, including political sciences, sinology, history, economics, and anthropology. With two keynote speeches and a public round table the event reaches out to the interested public.

The conference is a joint effort of the Department of Political Science, the Department of East Asian Studies and the Department of East European History at the University of Vienna. It is supported by the University's interdisciplinary research platform „Wiener Osteuropaforum“ and the City of Vienna.

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# Autocracy and Market Economy

The Transformation in Eastern Europe  
and East Asia in Comparison

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## Thursday, 15 May 2014

- 18:00 PUBLIC LECTURE**  
**Do Markets need Democracy?**  
**Carsten Herrmann-Pillath (Frankfurt School of Finance & Management)**  
The Transformative Potential of Fragmented Authoritarianism: The Future of Capitalism and Democracy in China  
**Ewald Nowotny (Oesterreichische Nationalbank)**  
East Central European Catch-Up-Modernization: Conditions of Success or of Failure
- Discussion**  
**Katalin Miklossy (Helsinki)**  
**Philipp Ther (Vienna)**  
**Tina Olteanu (Vienna)**  
Moderation: **Dieter Segert (Vienna)**
- 20:00 Buffet**

## Friday, 16 May 2014

- 9:00 Efficiency and Plurality: Interactions Between the Political System, Economics and Society (Part I)**  
Chair: **Wolfgang Merkel (Berlin)**  
Dieter Segert (Vienna)  
Why do Dictatorships survive?  
**Anna Krasteva (Sofia)**  
The Anti-Capitalist Impetus of East European Populisms
- Coffee break**
- 10:30 Efficiency and Plurality: Interactions Between the Political System, Economics and Society (Part II)**  
Chair: **Dieter Segert (Vienna)**  
Philipp Ther (Vienna)  
What Undermines Democracy in Post Socialist East Central and Southeastern Europe?  
**Enikő Vincze (Cluj)**  
Marketization, Housing Politics and Roma Exclusion in Romania
- Lunch**
- 13:30 Transformations of Society and Culture (Part I)**  
Chair: **Christian Göbel (Cambridge)**  
Christian Göbel (Vienna)  
386ers: A Lost Generation?  
**Mitchell Orenstein (Boston)**  
Social State as Condition for the Alternative Democracy vs. Autocracy?

- Coffee break**
- 15:00 Transformations of Society and Culture (Part II)**  
Chair: **Tatjana Thelen (Vienna)**  
Dieter Segert (Vienna)  
Performances of Redistribution: Work Ethics, Citizenship Rights and Exclusion (Hungary, Romania)  
**Sascha Klotzbücher (Heidelberg/Vienna)**  
Transformation of the Chinese Health System  
**József Bayer (Budapest)**  
Social and Cultural Conditions of Authoritarian Politics in Hungary
- 17:30 PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE**  
**The 'Dual Transformation' Revisited After 25 Years: Connections Between Demo-/Autocracy and Market Economy**  
Chair: **Philipp Ther (Vienna)**  
**Wolfgang Merkel (Berlin)**  
**Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik (Vienna)**  
**Mitchell Orenstein (Boston)**  
**Anna Krasteva (Sofia)**  
Moderation: **Philipp Ther (Vienna)**

## Saturday, 17 May 2014

- 9:00 Authoritarian Governance as a Precondition for Economic Growth? On Different Regional Paths of Development (Part I)**  
Chair: **Rüdiger Frank (Vienna)**  
**Christian Göbel (Vienna)**  
Models of Sustainable Development in Asia (China/India) and the Role of the State  
**Stephan Barisitz (Vienna)**  
Central Asia: Extraordinary Structural and Institutional Heterogeneity at the Borderlands between Eastern Europe and East Asia
- Coffee break**
- 10:30 Authoritarian Governance as a Precondition for Economic Growth? On Different Regional Paths of Development (Part II)**  
Chair: **Christian Göbel (Vienna)**  
**Pham Quang Minh (Hanoi)**  
The State in Economic Reforms in Vietnam  
**Rüdiger Frank (Vienna)**  
North Korea – No Economic Reforms at All?

- 11:45 Authoritarian Governance as a Precondition for Economic Growth? On Different Regional Paths of Development (Part III)**  
Chair: **Markku Kangaspuro (Helsinki)**  
**Hans-Henning Schröder (Berlin/Bremen)**  
State and Entrepreneurs in Russia  
**Philipp Ther (Vienna)**  
The Anti-Democratic Moment of Neoliberal Reforms: East Central Europe in the 1990s
- 13:00 End of Conference**

## Venues & Public transportation

**PUBLIC LECTURE**  
**Oesterreichische Nationalbank**  
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