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on April 12 from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm  
in HUB 145.**

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**The University of Washington, Seattle**



## WELCOME

The Ellison Center for Russian, East European, and Central Asian Studies (REECAS) is honored to host the 30th annual REECAS Northwest conference at the University of Washington. As the northwest affiliate conference of the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES), REECAS NW has become a fixture in the academic landscape of the Pacific Northwest during the past quarter century. It is also growing by the year, welcoming attendees from around the country and internationally.

As Russia's war on Ukraine continues into its third year, this conference includes several panels on Ukrainian culture, history, and politics, as well security and geopolitical issues relating to the war. I want to highlight a discussion by Dr. Dominique Hoffman on translation in the context of war. There will also be two films screened: *A Rising Fury*, a documentary about Ukrainian resistance to Russian forces; and *Golod* (Famine), about an international relief effort in the USSR in the 1920s, which has been banned in Russia. The war has also led to important discussions about the state of the field of Russian/postcommunist/REECA Studies, which Professor Ted Gerber (University of Wisconsin) will address in his keynote.

The Ellison Center is named after Dr. Herbert J. Ellison, one of the preeminent scholars of Soviet studies in the U.S. for a half century, who spent most of his career at the UW's Jackson School of International Studies. He devoted his life to not only scholarly pursuits, but also to building institutions to develop the next generation of Russia experts.

This year's conference has a record number of attendees, and it would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of the Ellison Center's staff: Managing Director Philip Lyon, with the assistance of Emma Delapre. I also owe special thanks to the Henry M. Jackson Foundation for their generous support for the Ellison Center and this conference.

Seattle is a global and vibrant city, and its values represent the best of America. It is the ideal place for the open exchange of ideas and production of new knowledge. We welcome you to Seattle and we wish you a successful conference!

Sincerely,

Scott Radnitz  
Herbert J. Ellison Professor of Russian and Eurasian Studies  
Director, Ellison Center for Russian, East European, and Central Asian Studies



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# CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

## **THURSDAY, APRIL 11**

- 3:15 Registration Opens
- 4:00 – 5:45 Session 1
- 5:45 – 6:00 Break
- 6:15 – 7:30 Keynote Speech

## **FRIDAY, APRIL 12**

- 8:00 Registration Opens
- 8:45 – 10:30 Session 2
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
- 10:45 – 12:30 Session 3
- 12:30 – 2:00 Lunch Break
- 2:00 – 3:45 Session 4
- 3:45 – 4:00 Break
- 4:00 – 5:30 Plenary
- 5:30 – 6:30 Reception

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

- 8:00 Registration Opens
- 8:45 – 10:30 Session 5
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
- 10:45 – 12:30 Session 6

**ALL EVENTS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE HUB.**

# KEYNOTE SPEECH

Thursday, April 11

6:15 - 7:30

HUB 145

## Ted Gerber

University of Wisconsin

### **WHY, HOW AND WHERE SHOULD WE STUDY RUSSIA IN THE FACE OF WAR AND DECOLONIZATION?**

Theodore P. Gerber is Conway-Bascom Professor of Sociology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where he also directs the Wisconsin Russia Project. He studies social stratification, migration, demography, housing public opinion, and other aspects of social and economic change in former Soviet countries. Recent publications include co-authored articles on collective memory of Stalin's repressions in Russia (*American Sociological Review*), housing inequality in Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, and Ukraine (*American Journal of Sociology*), how kinship networks affect small business performance in Kyrgyzstan (*Journal of Comparative Economics*), and the effect of internal displacement on subjective well-being in Ukraine (*Social Forces*).



# PROGRAM

## SESSION 1 THURSDAY, APRIL 11 4:00 - 5:45

### **Panel 1A, 4:00 pm - 5:45 pm | HUB 214**

#### **Slavic Enclitics: Disordered, Displaced, Disarrayed**

**Nathan Marks**, University of Oklahoma, "Ordering and Placement of Carpatho-Rusyn Enclitics of Eastern Slovakia"

**Biljana Konatar**, University of Washington, "Enclitic Placement in Unrehearsed Bosnian, Croatian, Montenegrin, Serbian Narration: Heritage vs. Non-Heritage Speakers"

**Bojan Belić**, University of Washington, "Bosnian/Croatian/Montenegrin/Serbian Power Dynamics: Enclitic Placement V. Constituent Order"

**Chair: Stefana Vukadinovich**, University of Washington

### **Panel 1B, 4:00 pm - 5:45 pm | HUB 238**

#### **Philosophy and Trends in the Late- and Post-Soviet Worlds**

**Elena Kohn**, University of Texas at Austin, "After the Revolution: Bolshevik Feminism in Post-Bolshevik Russia"

**Mariam Inasaridze**, Independent Scholar, "Graffiti Battles: An Anthropological Study of Surfaces and Bottom-Up Activism in Tbilisi"

**Vladimir Ivantsov**, Oberlin College, "'A New Terrifying Freedom': Dostoevsky, Existentialism, and Siberian Punk"

**Nikoloz Nadirashvili**, University of Washington, "Catch Me If You Can: Artistic Reflections on Claiming Digital Landscapes in Georgia's New Millennium"

**Chair: Ben Tromly**, University of Puget Sound

### **Panel 1C, 4:00 pm - 5:45 pm | HUB 334**

#### **Ukrainian History, Literature, and National Identity**

**Jordan Zaugg**, University of Kansas, "Bulgakov's Other Devil: Symon Petliura as Satan in The White Guard"

**Anna Harvey**, Stanford University, "Identity Expression in Post-Independence Protests in Kiev"

**Nataliia Kovtoniuk**, University of Washington, "The Novel *Za Perekopom ye zemlia* (There is the Land Behind the Perekop) by Anastasiia Levkova as Ukrainian National Narrative about Crimea"

**Serhy Yekelchuk**, University of Victoria, "Saint Michael's Square in Kyiv: The Making of Ukraine's New Political and Memorial Hub"

**Chair: Laada Bilaniuk**, University of Washington

### **Panel 1D, 4:00 pm - 5:45 pm | HUB 340**

#### **Geopolitics and War**

**Scott Montgomery**, University of Washington, "Russia's Future is an Energy Future: What does it look like?"

**Fran Leskovar**, Texas A&M University, The Bush School of Government and Public Service, "'Don't Get to My Inbox': The Dayton Peace Accords and Never-Ending American Struggle and Inability to Bring Stable Peace to Bosnia and Herzegovina"

**Jessica Beyer and Russell Hugo**, University of Washington, "Decrypting Russian: Area Studies & Language Learning in Cybersecurity Curricula and Programs"

**Chair: Christopher Jones**, University of Washington

# SESSION 2

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

8:45 - 10:30

## Panel 2A, 8:45 am - 10:30 am | HUB 214

### Antifascist Folklore and Children's Literature

**Enes Tastan**, The Ohio State University, "'Songs and laughter were heard': Frontline Songs and Poems in the Folklore of The Great Patriotic War"

**Polina Popova**, University of Illinois at Chicago, "Little Lenin, but Not Little Stalin: Biographical Canon in the Soviet Children's Literature of the 1930s"

**Chair: William Frank**, Independent Scholar

## Panel 2B, 8:45 am - 10:30 am | HUB 238

### Transforming World Literature Canons

**Rima Greenhill**, Stanford University, "The Role of Anglo-Russian Relations in Shakespeare's Comedy Love's Labour's Lost"

**Diego Benning Wang**, Princeton University, "The Great Persian Poet in the Land of the Soviets: The Millennium of Ferdowsi in 1934"

**Cassio de Oliveira**, Portland State University, "In Defense of Mark Twain: Late Soviet Journalists and the American Culture Wars"

**Chutong Liu**, University of Oregon, "Transcreating the Pushkinian Heroine: John Neumeier's Tatiana and Imprinted Readership"

**Chair: Agnieszka Jezyk**, University of Washington

## Panel 2C, 8:45 am - 10:30 am | HUB 334

**Film Screening: *Golod* (Famine) – A new (and swiftly banned) documentary film on famine in Russia in the 1920s**

**Presenter: Douglas Smith**, University of Washington, Author, Film Contributor

## Panel 2D, 8:45 am - 10:30 am | HUB 340

### Peasants and Villagers in Imperial Russia and Macedonia

**Sylvia Sztern**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, "Railroads and Russian Peasant Letters—Pazdery Village 1881–1896, along the Belaya, Kama, and Volga River Ports: A Gender Perspective on the Escape from Coercion"

**Aaron Cohen**, California State University, Sacramento, "The Birthday of Russian Freedom: The Commemoration of Emancipation, Peasant Memorial Culture, and Local Monuments in Late Imperial Russia, 1910–1914"

**Michael Seraphinoff**, Independent Scholar, "The History and Relations of the Villagers of a Half Christian Macedonian and Half Moslem Albanian Village"

**Chair: Eric Johnson**, University of Washington

**HUB 145 will be open as a lounge with coffee for registered conference attendees throughout the day on Friday and Saturday.**

# SESSION 3

## FRIDAY, APRIL 12

### 10:45 - 12:30

#### Panel 3A, 10:45 am - 12:30 pm | HUB 214

##### Central Asia and Great Powers

**Taalaigul Usonova**, Ala-Too International University, "A Comparative Analysis Of European Union's And Chinese Development Aid Impact On Environment, Climate Change And Climate Adaptation in Central Asia"

**Aiperi Sharshembieva**, Ala-Too International University, "China's Financial Diplomacy In Kyrgyzstan: The Sector Of Infrastructure And Energy"

**Chair: Merkhata Sharibzhanov**, Charles University, Prague and Radio Free Europe

#### Panel 3B, 10:45 am - 12:30 pm | HUB 238

##### Materiality in Literature and Art

**Erin Gilbert**, University of Washington, "'All thorn, but cousin to your rose': Vladimir Nabokov's Untranslatable Weeds and Their Literary Roots"

**Agnieszka Jezyk**, University of Washington, "Writing Sex: Eroticism and Text in Polish Avant-garde Poetry of the Interwar Period"

**Chair: Cassio de Oliveria**, Portland State University

#### Panel 3C, 10:45 am - 12:30 pm | HUB 334

##### Reevaluating Soviet and Russian Cinema

**Alla Savelieva**, University of Colorado Boulder, "'The East is a delicate matter': The Colonial Gaze of the Soviet East in the Films of the 1920s and 1970s"

**Olga Pressitch**, University of Victoria, "How the Soviet 'Christmas-Classic' Film Carnival Night Became a Symbol of De-Stalinization"

**Olga Kyrylova**, University of Kansas, "Decolonizing the History of Soviet and Russian Cinema"

**Chair: Elena Kohn**, University of Texas at Austin

#### Panel 3D, 10:45 am - 12:30 pm | HUB 340

##### States and Bureaucracy

**Dima Kortukov**, University of Alabama, "Gorbachev's Policy Bargain: Rethinking Coalition-Building During Perestroika"

**Danielle Wallner**, Brandeis University, "'Cheers For Our Programmers!': A Retrospective Analysis of the Second (and Last) All-Union Conference on Programming"

**Miriam Pollock**, University College London, "Securing Sustainability: Collaborative Governance and State Capture in a Russian Monotown"

**Chair: Vasily Bublikov**, Independent Scholar

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following the Plenary  
for a reception  
for registered conference  
attendees in  
HUB 145.



# SESSION 4

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

2:00 - 3:45

## Panel 4A, 2:00 pm - 3:45 pm | HUB 214

### Women Artists and Feminism in Russia

**Serge Gregory**, Independent Scholar, "The Sirens of the Hotel Louvre: Lidia Yavorskaya, Tatiana Shchepkina-Kupernik, and Russian Theater in the Silver Age"

**Elena Kohn**, University of Texas at Austin, "Bolshevik Feminism, 1917 to Present"

**Chair: Olga Kyrylova**, University of Kansas

## Panel 4B, 2:00 pm - 3:45 pm | HUB 238

### Linguistics and Language Teaching Pedagogy

**Yuriy Serebriansky**, University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, "Language Distinctions in the Polish Segment of Facebook – Russophone Groups"

**Tatiana Kuzina**, Lomonosov Moscow State University and City University of Seattle, "Russian Verbs with the Pronominal Semantics 'delat'/sdelat'" and the Functional Equivalents in BCMS"

**Ilia Shcherbakov**, University of Nebraska–Lincoln, "Ivan-da-Marya: Adventure Game-Based Learning"

**William Frank**, Independent Scholar, "Tracing the Etymology of Skis and Skiing"

**Chair: Nathan Marks**, University of Oklahoma

## Panel 4C, 2:00 pm - 3:45 pm | HUB 334

### Politics and War in Ukraine

**Taras Prodaniuk**, University of Oxford, "Tracing the Origins of Electoral Success of the Servant of the People Party"

**Chiara Pierobon**, University of Washington Visiting DAAD Professor, "Crafting Individual Resilience in Times of Conflict: Ukrainian Refugees in Germany"

**Frederick Lorenz**, Public International Law and Policy Group, "The Crime of Aggression"

**Arthur Mengozzi**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, "'People to People': A Critical Reading of the Ukrainian Letter of Solidarity with Palestine"

**Chair: Dima Kortukov**, University of Alabama

## Panel 4D, 2:00 pm - 3:45 pm | HUB 340

### New Book Roundtable | Writing Rogues: The Soviet Picaresque and Identity Formation, 1921–1938 by Cassio de Oliveira

**Cassio de Oliveira**, Portland State University

**Naomi Caffee**, Reed College

**Katya Hokanson**, University of Oregon

**Sasha Senderovich**, University of Washington

**Chair: Scott Radnitz**, University of Washington



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# PLENARY SESSION

Friday, April 12

4:00 - 5:30

HUB 334

## A Rising Fury

### Film Screening and Discussion

*Reception to follow*

*A Rising Fury* followed several protesters for 10 years from the Revolution in 2013 to the war in Eastern Ukraine and ultimately to the full-scale invasion in 2022. It's a story about love, revolution and betrayal that required multiple expeditions to the front lines of the war and told through intimate vérité material. This film reveals the untold story of how the Russo-Ukrainian war happened nearly 10 years ago and explains how we arrived at this point in history through events and personal stories on the ground. The film is the winner of three top awards at the Melbourne Documentary Film Festival including the Supreme Jury Award. *A Rising Fury* has been longlisted in the best feature documentary category for the 96th Academy Awards.

# SESSION 5

## SATURDAY, APRIL 13

### 8:45 - 10:30

#### Panel 5A, 8:45 am - 10:30 am | HUB 214

##### Russian Politics and Ideology

**Allison Hartley**, University of Washington, "Holism/ Tselostnost' and Liberation/Rebellion in Russian and American Civil Religion"

**Liudmila Listrovaya**, University of Oregon, "Environmental Injustice in Russia: Ethnic Diversity and Internal Colonialism in The 21st Century Extractivist Empire"

**Vasily Bublikov**, Independent Scholar, "Ethnic trends in contemporary Russia: are there prerequisites for separatism and breakup?"

**Elena Kohn**, University of Texas at Austin, "After the Revolution: Bolshevik Feminism in Post-Bolshevik Russia"

**Chair: Chiara Pierobon**, University of Washington  
Visiting DAAD Professor

#### Panel 5B, 8:45 am - 10:30 am | HUB 238

##### Civil Society and Grassroots Politics

**Tolibjon Mustafoev**, Lund University, "Legal Mobilization in Uncertain and Fluid Legal Environment: Case Study of Female Entrepreneurs Operating in the Field of Child Care in Uzbekistan"

**Edmira Cakrani**, Canadian Institute of Technology, "The Open Balkans Initiative: An opportunity for peacebuilding and European integration or a disadvantage in the context of regional relations and security?"

**Alexey Kuznetsov**, UW Startalk, Renton High School, "Fighting from Abroad: the Russian Immigrant Community's Fight Against Putin's Regime"

**Abby Bennett**, University of Washington, "You know I can never lose, this has never been about you: The Politics of Conflict through Eurovision in Estonia, Ukraine in Russia 2014-2024"

**Chair: Guntis Šmidchens**, University of Washington

#### Panel 5D, 8:45 am - 10:30 am | HUB 340

##### Cultural Identity Across the Caucasus and Central Asia

**Shafag Dadashova**, ADA University, "Exploring Azerbaijani Identity: Literary Perspectives on Colonial Dynamics and Sociocultural Evolution from the Late 19th to Early 20th Century"

**Katya Hokanson**, University of Oregon, "Defining a View of Central Asia: A Parisian's Travelogue"

**Merkhat Sharibzhanov**, Charles University, Prague and Radio Free Europe, "Challenges of Definition of Uyghurs By Western Media"

**Chair: Naomi Caffee**, Reed College



# SESSION 6

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

10:45 - 12:30

**Panel 6A, 10:45 am - 12:30 pm | HUB 214**

## **Politics, Parties and Policies**

**Arnab Hait**, Colgate University, "Democratic Performance of CEE Countries: A Function of a State's Bureaucratic Capacity"

**Helena Eglit**, Stanford University, "The Evolution of Populist Parties in Estonia, Serbia, Georgia, and Slovakia: Russia's Disinformation and Global Patterns"

**Chiara Pierobon**, University of Washington Visiting DAAD Professor, "Assessing Germany's Feminist Foreign Policy in the Wake of the Ukrainian Conflict"

**Guntis Šmidchens**, University of Washington, "Singing Democracies: Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian culture and politics in a postimperial world, 2013-2024"

**Chair: Miriam Pollock**, University College London

**Discussant: Aldis Purs**, Seattle University

**Panel 6B, 10:45 am - 12:30 pm | HUB 238**

## **War, Conflict, and Revolution in Eurasia and the Balkans**

**Kayhan Nejad**, University of Oklahoma, "Socialist and Non-Socialist Revolutionism in the South Caucasus and Northern Iran, 1908–1921"

**William Frank**, independent scholar, "The Life and Times of K.B.E.E. Eimeleus"

**Benjamin Tromly**, University of Puget Sound, "Russian Paths to Collaboration in Prisoner of War Camps during World War Two"

**Chair: Serhy Yekelchuk**, University of Victoria

**Panel 6C, 10:45 am - 12:30 pm | HUB 334**

## **Translation Showcase | "Translation in the Context of War: Why Did Cecil Have to Die? And Why Does Ukraine Fight On?"**

**Dominique Hoffman**, Translator

**Panel 6D, 10:45 am - 12:30 pm | HUB 340**

## **Citizen Diplomacy Spotlight | "Seattle & Tashkent: 50 Years of a Remarkable Sister City Friendship, 1973-2023 Book Presentation"**

**Dan Peterson**, Seattle Tashkent Sister City Association former President

**Moderator: Shoshana Billik**, Seattle Tashkent Sister City Association Co-President

**The 2024 Translation Showcase features Dominique Hoffman, translator of Ukrainian and Russian.**



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The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies is located at the University of Washington in Seattle, one of the most dynamic and innovative cities in the United States.

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Jackson School faculty represent a broad spectrum of social science disciplines. They are also associated with other departments in the College of Arts and Sciences and other schools and colleges at UW, including the College of the Environment, School of Law, and the Michael G. Foster School of Business.

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## ABOUT THE ELLISON CENTER FOR RUSSIAN, EAST EUROPEAN & CENTRAL ASIAN STUDIES

The Ellison Center is a leading U.S. center for the study of Russia, Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Housed in the University of Washington's Jackson School of International Studies, the center works to advance scholarship and educate students about Russia, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia through historical understanding, innovative teaching, and interdisciplinary research. This mission flows out of Professor Herbert Ellison's commitment to building connections with the diverse peoples of Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

Long known only as the REECAS Center, the Herbert J. Ellison Center for Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies was christened as such in 2004 to honor Dr. Ellison's legacy with the generous financial support of the Ellison family and other program supporters.

As its long name indicates, the Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies region is expansive and diverse, counting 29 countries. REECAS countries include the following: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

The Ellison Center offers a Master's Degree in Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies as well as an undergraduate minor. We also offer an Accelerated REECAS MA to US Military Foreign Area Officers (FAOs). We sponsor lectures, conferences and exchanges covering the entirety of Eastern Europe and Eurasia; and we sustain a dynamic program of outreach to local schools, colleges and community organizations interested in our region. With over 60 participating UW faculty, the Ellison Center represents a unique intellectual resource for faculty, students, and professionals living in the Pacific Northwest and beyond.

Professor Ellison served as a mentor to thousands of undergraduate and graduate students over 40 years. Instilling in them a love for the people and regions of the former Soviet Union and communist Europe, he devoted his career to the belief that educational exchange programs open doors and minds for all citizens of the world, and especially for those who long suffered behind the Iron Curtain.

Now, with public interest in Russia, Eastern Europe and Central Asia higher than any time since the Soviet Union's demise, the Ellison Center supports innovative research, student programs and community outreach to promote learning about this region of the world and carry on Herbert Ellison's legacy.



# TIMETABLE ♦ PANEL GRID

THURSDAY	Session	HUB 145	HUB 214	HUB 238	HUB 334	HUB 340
	Session 1 4:00 - 5:45		Session 1A	Session 1B	Session 1C	Session 1D
	Break					
	Keynote 6:15 - 7:30	Keynote				
FRIDAY	Session 2 8:45 - 10:30		Session 2A	Session 2B	Session 2C	Session 2D
	Break					
	Session 3 10:45 - 12:30		Session 3A	Session 3B	Session 3C	Session 3D
	Lunch 12:30 - 2:00					
	Session 4 2:00 - 3:45		Session 4A	Session 4B	Session 4C	Session 4D
	Break					
	Plenary 4:00 - 5:30				Plenary	
	Reception 5:30 - 6:30	Reception				
SATURDAY	Session 5 8:45 - 10:30		Session 5A	Session 5B		Session 5D
	Break					
	Session 6 10:45 - 12:30		Session 6A	Session 6B	Session 6C	Session 6D

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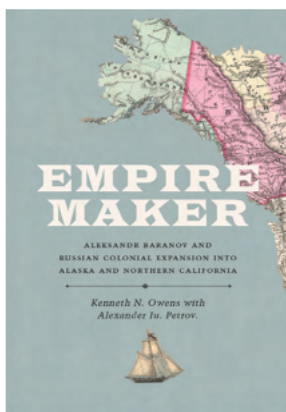
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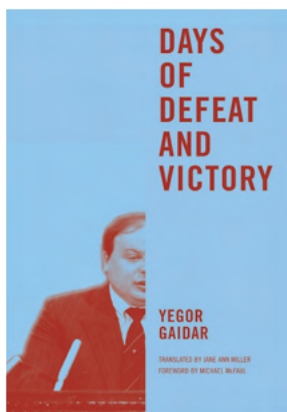
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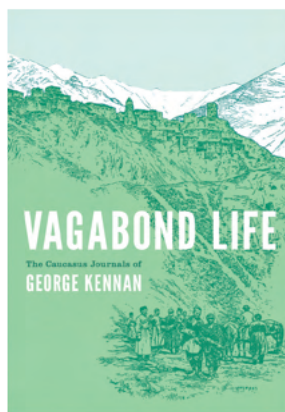
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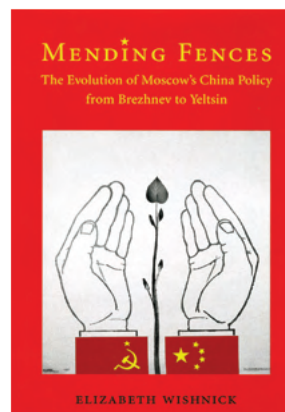
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Yegor Gaidar  
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