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Distributing Power and Money: Federalism and Decentralization in Germany and Russia 7 April 2017

VENUE: Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg 17 Promyshlennaya St. (room 412)

Chair – Dr. Andrey Starodubtsev (Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Russia, University of Helsinki, Finland)

9:00 – 9:30 Coffee, registration of participants

9:30 - 9:45 Welcoming address

Pietro Merlo (Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, St. Petersburg) Andrey Starodubtsev (Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Russia, University of Helsinki, Finland)

9:45 – 10:45 Session 1 "Federal Reforms in Germany and Russia: Incentives and Outcomes" Felix Knuepling (Forum of Federations, Berlin, Germany)
Professor Irina Busygina (MGIMO University, Moscow, Russia)
Discussion (20 min)

10:45 – 11:45 Session 2 "Shifts in Distribution of Administrative Responsibilities" Professor Sabine Kropp (Freie Universität Berlin, Germany)
Stanislav Klimovich (Higher School of Economics in Moscow, Russia)
Discussion (20 min)

11:45 – 12:15 Coffee break

12:15 - 13:15 Session 3 "Reforming Fiscal Federalism"

Professor Georg Milbradt (Technische Universität Dresden, Germany) Andrey Yushkov (Leontief Centre, St. Petersburg, Russia) Discussion (20 min)

13:15 - 13:45 Discussion

13:45 – 14:00 Concluding remarks

Pietro Merlo (Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, St. Petersburg) Andrey Starodubtsev (Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Russia, University of Helsinki, Finland)