

## States and Societies in Transition – History Threats and Opportunities. The Case of Ukraine and Georgia 2016

### Study trip to Georgia and Ukraine - Academic Part - Student presentations in Fribourg, Friday 23 September 2016

Venue: University of Fribourg, Bd de Pérolles 90, 1700 Fribourg – PER 21, Room F205 (see the map attached)

Each group gives a 20-minutes presentation (**the time limitation must be kept**), followed by comments (10 minutes) by Prof. Nicolas Hayoz and Tamara Brunner.

Language policy: everyone can present and talk in the language of his choice (German, French or English)

A beamer for PowerPoint presentations will be available.

**09:15 - 09:30** Welcome and Opening

#### **Part I: POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC STRUCTURES AND CHANGE**

09:30 - 10:00 1.1. Comparison of the Rose Revolution in Georgia and the Orange Revolution in Ukraine Ariane Lienert & Noris Gallandat

10:00 - 10:30 1.2. Comparative Analysis of the State of Democratisation in the Saakashvili Era and the Ivanishvili Era Eva Noëmi Weniger & Roman Blum

10.30 - 10:50 Discussion

**10:50 - 11:10** *Coffee Break*

11:10 - 11:40 1.3. Euromaidan: Preconditions and Aftermath Diego Serrano & Armin Stähli

11:40 - 12:10 1.4. Changing the 'Soviet Mode of Thinking' - The Potential of Bottom-Up Reforms in the Fight Against Corruption Michaela Egli & Muriel Blum

12:10 - 12:30 Discussion

**12:30 - 13:40** *Lunch Break – Mensa – University of Fribourg*

## Part II: CONFLICTS

13:40 - 14:10	2.1. Clashing Interests - The Conflict between Georgia and the Separatist Territory of Abkhazia	Mirjam Schmitz & Michael Markus Lerch
14:10 - 14:40	2.2. Georgia, South Ossetia, and the 2008 Georgian – Russian War	Victoria Sarah Pagano & Stefan Gugler
14.40 - 15:00	Discussion	
15:00 - 15:20	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
15:20 - 15:50	2.3 War in the Ukraine - A Look at the Complexity of the Conflict	Gabriel Pelloquin & Yvonne Hari
15:50 - 16:20	2.4. Georgia's and Ukraine's Relations to the EU	Sara Kurtovic & Florentin Weibel
16:20 - 16:40	Discussion	
16:40 - 17:00	Final discussion	

17.30 *Optional: Dinner at Café Mondial, Rue de l'Hôpital 39, Fribourg*