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#### **BEARR News**

BEARR Small Grants Scheme 2016. See outcome at <a href="http://www.bearr.org/small-grants-scheme-2016-outcome/">http://www.bearr.org/small-grants-scheme-2016-outcome/</a>

"IDPs: Integration or Differentiation?" BEARR/UCU conference in Lviv, 12-13 May Report at <a href="http://www.bearr.org/conference-in-lviv/">http://www.bearr.org/conference-in-lviv/</a>

"25 years on: the Rule of Law in Russia and the Republics", anniversary lecture by Prof Bill Bowring. Report at http://www.bearr.org/the-bearr-trust-annual-lecture-2016/

BEARR Newsletter No 66 <a href="http://www.bearr.org/what-we-do/newsletter">http://www.bearr.org/what-we-do/newsletter</a>

Date for your diary: 11 November, BEARR Trust 25th Anniversary Conference

### **News from the Region**

Bill on social entrepreneurship goes out for pubic consultation <a href="http://www.bearr.org/social-entrepreneurship-bill-out-for-consultation/">http://www.bearr.org/social-entrepreneurship-bill-out-for-consultation/</a>

Putin confirms areas of priority work in the provision of socially useful services <a href="http://www.bearr.org/putin-confirms-priority-areas-for-songos/">http://www.bearr.org/putin-confirms-priority-areas-for-songos/</a>

"Medical Volunteers" announces creation of All-Russian public body http://www.bearr.org/medical-volunteers-association-becomes-public-body/

Federal Advisory Council on the development of volunteering has started work <a href="http://www.bearr.org/advisory-council-on-volunteering-starts-work/">http://www.bearr.org/advisory-council-on-volunteering-starts-work/</a>

Donors' Forum report on charities in 2015 http://www.bearr.org/donors-forum-report-on-charities-in-2015/

Ministry of Economic Development Bill on special purpose capital for NGOs <a href="http://www.bearr.org/7630-2/">http://www.bearr.org/7630-2/</a>

Programme for mentoring of orphans and disadvantaged children <a href="http://www.bearr.org/projects-for-mentoring-orphans-and-disadvantaged-children/">http://www.bearr.org/projects-for-mentoring-orphans-and-disadvantaged-children/</a>

Elena Topoleva chosen as Donors Forum's Person of the Year 2016 <a href="http://www.bearr.org/elena-topoleva-is-donor-forum-s-person-of-the-year/">http://www.bearr.org/elena-topoleva-is-donor-forum-s-person-of-the-year/</a>

Russian NGO leaders receive training at Civic Chamber university

http://www.bearr.org/public-chamber-university-trains-ngo-leaders/

Civic Chamber organises monitoring of pensioners' living conditions <a href="http://www.bearr.org/civic-chamber-monitors-pensioners-living-conditions/">http://www.bearr.org/civic-chamber-monitors-pensioners-living-conditions/</a>

Russian Church launches homeless prevention programme <a href="http://www.bearr.org/russian-church-launches-programme-to-assist-homeless/">http://www.bearr.org/russian-church-launches-programme-to-assist-homeless/</a>

Presidential Council to develop mechanisms to counter pressure on NGOs <a href="http://www.bearr.org/presidential-council-groups-to-defend-ngos/">http://www.bearr.org/presidential-council-groups-to-defend-ngos/</a>

Civic Chamber established expert group to monitor work of orphanages <a href="http://www.bearr.org/experts-to-monitor-orphanages/">http://www.bearr.org/experts-to-monitor-orphanages/</a>

#### **Events**

14 September. "The South Caucasus...assessment of regional geopolitics". Lecture by Dr Harun Yilmaz, GBRS, Pushkin House, 7pm.

29 September. "How the oligarchs used TV to gain control of Russia". Lecture by Arkady Ostrovsky, GBRS, Pushkin House, 7pm

13 October. "Continuity and innovation in Moscow's exercise of power". Lecture by Keir Giles, GBRS, Pushkin House, 7pm

For all above lectures, see <a href="http://www.gbrussia.org/lectures.php">http://www.gbrussia.org/lectures.php</a>

#### **Grants and Competitions**

Award for best regional social projects. Deadline: 5 September http://www.bearr.org/best-regional-social-projects-award/

Contest for NGOs supporting the homeless. Deadline: 30 September <a href="http://www.bearr.org/ngo-contest-homeless/">http://www.bearr.org/ngo-contest-homeless/</a>

Third Presidential grant contest for NGOs. Deadlines August and September

http://www.bearr.org/third-presidential-grant-contest/

Contest for best practices in volunteering. Deadline: 25 September <a href="http://www.bearr.org/dobrovolets-2016/">http://www.bearr.org/dobrovolets-2016/</a>

Our Future Foundation awards for social businesses. Deadline: 31 December http://www.bearr.org/konkurs-pryamyih-investitsiy/

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