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BEARR News

BEARR Trust 25th Anniversary Lecture: Prof Bill Bowring on “From “Soviet legacy” to the new authoritarianism: the rule of law in Russia and the republics, 1991-2016”
7 June 2016, 6pm, EBRD. Details to follow. **Put the date in your diary now!**

BEARR Newsletter No 66 out now <http://www.bearr.org/what-we-do/newsletter>

BEARR Trust Annual Conference: ‘Support for vulnerable groups: institutions and alternatives’ Report at <http://www.bearr.org/the-bearr-trust-2015-annual-conference-20-november-2015>

News from the Region

Reform of Russian neuropsychiatric institutes planned for 2016

<http://www.bearr.org/reform-of-russian-neuropsychiatric-units-planned-for-2016/>

Justice Minister denies ‘foreign agents’ law is oppressive. Charities urge rejection.

<http://www.bearr.org/justice-minister-denies-foreign-agents-law-is-oppressive/>

<http://www.bearr.org/charities-urge-rejection-of-amendments-to-foreign-agents-law/>

Three possible scenarios for the development of Russia’s charitable sector

<http://www.bearr.org/three-scenarios-for-development-of-russia-s-charitable-sector/>

Central Asia AIDS Conference, March 2016

<http://www.bearr.org/central-asia-health-conference-march-2016/>

Amendments prepared to define ‘political activity’ in ‘foreign agents’ law

<http://www.bearr.org/amendments-prepared-to-define-political-activities-in-the-foreign-agents-law/>

Russian minister calls for support for NGOs’ social projects

<http://www.bearr.org/russian-minister-calls-for-support-for-ngos-social-projects/>

Krasnoyarsk Economic Forum discusses support for NGOs

<http://www.bearr.org/krasnoyarsk-economic-forum-discusses-support-for-ngos/>

Duma rejects bill on creating Commissioner for Disability Rights

<http://www.bearr.org/duma-rejects-disability-rights-commissioner/>

RUSAL grants loans to social entrepreneurs

<http://www.bearr.org/rusal-grants-loans-to-social-entrepreneurs/>

Russian NGOs suffering from 'foreign agents' law
<http://www.bearr.org/russia-a-law-beyond-improvement/>

Intellectuals claim 'foreign agents' law damaging public activity
<http://www.bearr.org/foreign-agents-law-damaging-public-life/>

Tender for programme to improve life skills of institutionalised children
<http://www.bearr.org/life-skills-needed-by-children-leaving-institutions/>

New 2016 legislation should improve the situation of disabled people
<http://www.bearr.org/laws-to-improve-situation-for-disabled/>

Federation Council hears calls to extend the range of NGOs' tax privileges
<http://www.bearr.org/call-to-extend-ngos-tax-privileges/>

Events

23 March, 7pm. "The End of the Cold War, 1985-91", Prof Robert Service. GBRS lecture at Pushkin House. <http://www.gbrussia.org/lectures.php>

4 April, 7pm. "My Stalingrad Childhood", Dr Eward Ochagavia, GBRS lecture at Pushkin House. <http://www.gbrussia.org/lectures.php>

Grants and Competitions

Child Support Foundation grants. Deadline: 14 April
<http://www.bearr.org/russskiy-konkurs-sotsialnyih-proektov/>

Social Impact Award for under-30s. Deadline: 17 April
<http://www.bearr.org/social-impact-award/>

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

Jobs and Opportunities

Ecologia Youth Trust seek volunteers for Russia in April and September 2016
<http://www.ecologia.org.uk/get-involved/volunteer-overseas/russia>

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