The Present and Future of Secessionist Conflicts
New Europe College, Bucharest

Saturday 7th July 2018:
9.00 – 9.30 Registration at New Europe College
9.30 – 10.00 Welcome and Workshop Outline
Ole Frahm – Univ. of St Gallen
Sebastian Relitz – Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS)
10.00 – 11.30 Panel I: Commonalities and Differences between Protracted Conflicts
(Chair: Ole Frahm, Univ. of St Gallen)
Nino Kemoklidze – Univ. of Birmingham
Self-Determination and Secession in the EU’s ‘Near Abroad.’
Vasile Rotaru – National Univ. of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest
A Deja-Vu Scenario? The Balkanization of the Former Soviet Space: Similarities and Differences between the ‘Old’ and ‘New’ Separatist Conflicts.
Danijela Majstorovic – Univ. of Banja Luka
Bosnia and Herzegovina’s frozen conflict between ethnic and social justice.
11.30 – 12.00 Coffee Break
12.00 – 13.30 Panel II: Interdependencies and Actors in Protracted Conflicts Region
(Chair: Sebastian Relitz, IOS)
Vincenc Kopeček – Univ. of Ostrava
Parallel universe or puppet show? The relations between post-Soviet de facto states.
Andrei Deviatkov – Center for Strategic Research, Moscow
Patron-client relationships in the Transnistrian issue.
Bakhtiyar Aslanov – Independent Researcher, Baku
Economic fallout from the Karabakh conflict.
13.30 – 14.30 Lunch
14:30 – 16:00 Panel III: International Actors in Protracted Conflicts
(Chair: Dirk Lehmkuhl, Univ. of St Gallen)
Sebastian Relitz - IOS, Regensburg
The Stabilisation Dilemma: De Facto States and the International Community.
Vera Axyonova – University of Giessen
Iulia Cozacenco – Independent Researcher, Chisinau
Frictions between international and national confidence-building mechanisms in protracted conflicts: The case of Moldova.
16.00 – 16.30 Coffee Break
16.30 – 17.30 Brainstorming on Future Avenues for Research and Possible Cooperation
17.30 – 17.45 Closing Remarks (Ole Frahm and Sebastian Relitz)
18.00 Closing Dinner