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«Where is Russia Heading?»

20 Years of Russian Analytical Digest

**International Conference, University of
Zurich, 3-4 November 2026**

«Where is Russia Heading?»

This conference, organised on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the *Russian Analytical Digest* (RAD), brings together leading experts to discuss where Russia is heading. It examines key developments in Russian foreign and domestic policy, the economy, and society, with particular attention to the impact of the war against Ukraine and the forces shaping Russia's future.

Day 1, Tuesday, 3 November 2026

Venue: University of Zurich, room KOL-F-104

- 16:15-16:30: Welcome Addresses by Andreas Wenger (CSS ETH Zurich) & Jeronim Perović (CEES UZH)
- 16:30-16:45: Robert Ortting (Washington, DC) on the history of RAD
- 16:45-17:15: Keynote Address by Gudrun Persson (Stockholm), “Where is Russia Heading?”
- 17:15-18:45: Panel discussion and Q & A with Gudrun Persson (Stockholm), Mikhail Troitskiy (Boston) & Heiko Pleines (Bremen)

Please register in advance at: <https://ema.uzh.ch/RUMRK>

Day 2, Wednesday, 4 November 2026

Venue: University of Zurich, rooms RAA-G-01 and RAA-G-15

- Panel 1, 9:00-10:00: Foreign Policy & Ideology (room RAA-G-01)
- Panel 2, 10:00-11:00: Domestic Politics & Elites (room RAA-G-01)
- Panel 3, 11:30-12:30: Economy & Economic Policy (room RAA-G-01)
- Panel 4, 14:00-15:00: War & Society (room RAA-G-15)
- Panel 5, 15:00-16:00: The War and Russia's Future (room RAA-G-15)

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