Workshop: The Future of Informal Markets and Trade in Central Asia and the Caucasus (funded by the Volkswagen Foundation)

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Program

14.00-15.30h Workshop Session 1

Sayana Namsaraeva (University of Cambridge)
“Beauties and the Beasts of the Russian-China border: trade relations through the metaphors of shapeshifting”

Jianfeng Lee (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University)
“Chinese sommunity in Georgia: structure and relations”

Hasan H. Karrar (LMU)
“China, the reform era, and the beginning of Sino/Central Asian trade”

15.30-16.00h Coffee break

16.00-17.00h Workshop session 2

Teona Rekhviashvili (Ilia State University)
“Crypto mining in Svaneti: traditional law against the non-traditional infrastructure”

Alexandre Kukhanidze (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University)
„Smuggling through Abkhazia and Tskhinvali Region of Georgia”

Ketevan Khutsishvili
“Covid, state and trade: formal and informal sides of the control (the case of Tbilisi markets)”

18.00h Dinner with all workshop participants