

Berlin, October 2014

INVITATION

The German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)
invites you to the first meeting of the
Strategy Group Russia/Eastern Partnership

Reform Policy in Ukraine between Security Crisis and EU Rapprochement

Wednesday, November 5, 2014, 10:00 am–12 pm

German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)
Rauchstraße 17, 10787 Berlin

The parliamentary elections on October 26, 2014 could well give the Ukrainian Parliament new democratic legitimacy and a push toward profound state reforms. Despite growing pressure from civil society and comprehensive reforms planned by President Petro Poroschenko, the results of this ongoing process have so far been limited. Political structures, overstressed by the military conflict, currently preclude a thorough overhaul of Ukraine's administrative and political culture.

Will the newly elected parliament be able to respond to the needs for political change and economic stability? What is needed for the implementation of a broader reform agenda? Which factors characterize the relationship between political structures and civil society? To what extent are the EU and Germany capable of supporting these potential reforms?

The event will be held in English under the Chatham House Rule. Please find the agenda attached. A buffet reception will take place after the meeting.

Please RSVP to Yulia Loeva via email or fax (loeva@dgap.org, +49 (0)30 25 42 31-91) by November 4, 2014.

Sincerely yours,



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Agenda

09:45–10:00 am **REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS**

10:00–10:10 am **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

Eberhard Sandschneider

Otto Wolff Director of the Research Institute, DGAP

Stefan Meister, Head of Program on Eastern Europe and
Central Asia at the DGAP's Robert Bosch Center for Central
and Eastern Europe, Russia, and Central Asia

10:10am–12:00 pm *Speakers:* **Vasyl Filipchuk**
Chairman, International Centre for Policy Studies,
Kiev, and former Director of EU Integration
(2012–13) in the Ukrainian Secretariat of the
Cabinet of Ministers

Johannes Regenbrecht

Head of the Task Force for Ukraine,
German Foreign Office

Jerome Vacher

IMF Resident Representative in Kiev

Chair: **Manuel Sarrazin, MP**
Green Party, German Bundestag

12:00–1:00 pm **BUFFET RECEPTION**



If you would like to attend the meeting of the Strategy Group Russia/Eastern Partnership, please fill out and return this form (email: loeva@dgap.org; fax: +49 (0)30 25 42 31-91).

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